

## Argo Group Hires Matt Harris as Head of Europe And Asia Operations

HAMILTON, Bermuda – July 31, 2017 – Argo Group International Holdings, Ltd. (NASDAQ: <u>AGII</u>), an international underwriter of specialty insurance and reinsurance products, today announced the appointment of Matt Harris to lead the company's Europe and Asia operations. Harris takes up the role with immediate effect and will report to Jose A. Hernandez, head of international.

"Matt has a wealth of industry experience and a broad set of skills that fully align with Argo's ambitions," said Argo Group CEO Mark E. Watson III. "His appointment is the latest step in positioning our company to execute our international growth strategy."

Harris joins Argo with more than 25 years of insurance experience. He has expertise in various operational disciplines and has successfully undertaken senior management assignments across multiple distribution channels and product segments. Most recently, Harris led AIG South East Asia Country Operations. Previously, he was CEO of AIG Malaysia Insurance and CEO of AIG New Zealand. Prior to joining AIG, Harris served as chief representative for Insurance Australia Group in Mumbai, India. He has completed the Executive Finance Program at Mt. Eliza Business School in Melbourne and is a Senior Associate member with the Australian and New Zealand Institute of Insurance and Finance.

"Matt has demonstrated experience in the European and Asian markets and a strong understanding of industry best practices," said Hernandez. "His depth of market knowledge and array of local contacts will be invaluable in helping Argo realize its ambitions across these regions."

Harris commented, "I'm thrilled to join such a progressive and ambitious organization as Argo. There are tremendous opportunities for ArgoGlobal to support its existing and prospective clients and business partners as they navigate some of the complexities that flow from our global economy. I look forward to leading the ArgoGlobal team across Europe and Asia to achieve our strategic priorities."

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