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DUAL Europe appoints Francesca Giurato as Underwriting Director of Fine Art

DUAL Europe today announces that Francesca Giurato has been appointed with the dual roles of Underwriting Director, Fine Art, DUAL Europe with a remit to build a strong regional hub for the Fine Art business across Europe and as Underwriting Director, Fine Art for DUAL Italia. Giurato is based in Milan, Italy.

Giurato said: “I am proud to take on this dual role and recognise it as a great professional opportunity. My goal will be to strengthen the presence of DUAL in the Italian Fine Art market and to coordinate the European development of this business with a strong and integrated growth strategy. Fine Art is a niche market and each country will have its own specific distinctions that I very much look forward to emphasising.”

Maurizio Ghilosso, Executive Chair, DUAL Europe and MD DUAL Italia, said: “I’m delighted to welcome Francesca to our team. Francesca brings to DUAL a strong mix of expertise, experience and passion that are key to achieving our ambitions in the Fine Art line of business.”

Olaf Jonda, CEO, DUAL Europe, added: “This new appointment for DUAL Europe demonstrates our ability to attract the best talent in the market, and Francesca’s wealth of knowledge and experience will be highly valuable to our broker partners. The Fine Art hub in Italy is the third hub we have set up in Europe, following Cyber and M&A, which are both based in Germany. Each of these hubs bring the invaluable competitive edge that combines the most qualified expertise in the market with the strong long-term capacity of our carriers to all countries in DUAL Europe”

Giurato has over 20 years’ industry experience, previously at Chubb then at AXA XL for 12 years, as Underwriting Manager Fine Art & Specie.

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