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## PRESS RELEASE

### **AGF Private Equity recruits Jean Plamondon as Investment Director**

Paris, the 4<sup>th</sup> of May, 2006: Jean Plamondon joins AGF Private Equity as Investment Director within the funds of funds team where he will be active in primary and secondary fund investments as well as co-investments in LBO.

Jean Plamondon, 47 years old, a Canadian citizen, was previously Associated Manager at ING Parcom Private Equity since 2002. Before this he was Investment Vice-President within the Caisse de Dépôt et Placement du Québec in Paris. In 1991 he took part at Acland in the raising and the investment of a € 60 m mid-cap MBO fund invested in France with HSBC as sponsor. He began his career in the private equity sector in 1985 at Citicorp Venture Capital France. Prior to this he was project engineer at CGI, an IT service company now part of IBM.

Jean Plamondon received an electrical engineering degree from McGill University in Montreal and holds a McGill MBA (joint program with HEC Group in Paris).

The AGF Private Equity funds of funds team is now made up of twelve people including eight investment professionals. AGF Private Equity has developed a unique expertise of sourcing and managing Private Equity investments and is at the moment raising its fourth fund of funds in Europe.

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*AGF Private Equity has developed complementary expertises:*

- *Investment in primary and secondary funds, mainly in Europe*
- *Co-investments in LBO*
- *Venture capital.*

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