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## **AXIA Capital Markets LLC announces the appointment of Francisco Lume as a Director, Investment Banking**

### ***Francisco Lume joins AXIA's New York office***

New York, USA – June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – AXIA Capital Markets LLC, ("ACM"), a subsidiary of AXIA Ventures Group ("AXIA"), announces the appointment of Francisco Lume as Director in the Investment Banking Division. Mr. Lume brings over ten years of Wall Street experience advising both corporate and institutional clients across the Americas and his hiring constitutes another important addition to the AXIA family.

Francisco Lume is joining AXIA Capital Markets LLC from Jefferies, LLC where he worked from 2009 to 2014, most recently as Senior Vice President within the Latin America Investment Banking Group. Prior to that, he spent 3 years focusing on ECM/Structured Private Equity solutions for clients across the globe. Mr. Lume started his Investment Banking career at Lazard, where he first served as an associate and then as Vice President within the Investment Banking Division in New York. He holds an M.B.A. from Yale School of Management and a Licenciatura in Industrial Engineering from FEUP.

Mr. Lume brings over 40 advisory and capital raising transactions experience, totaling more than \$20 billion in proceeds within multiple sectors across the US and Latin America, having established important relationships with key decision makers in major corporations and within the investor community.

Mr. Dimitrios Athanasopoulos, Group Managing Director of AXIA, stated the following: *"We are pleased to welcome Francisco to our Group. In addition to having played a key role in important investment banking transactions, Francisco has an excellent understanding of multiple sectors, companies and business models. His global experience will substantially enhance AXIA's current expansion plans, and will be invaluable to AXIA Capital Markets' efforts. We extend a warm welcome to Francisco and wish him a great success in his journey with us".*





## About AXIA Ventures Group Ltd and AXIA Capital Markets, LLC

AXIA Ventures Group, Ltd. (“AXIA”) is a privately-owned investment banking group providing financial advisory and capital market-related services to corporate and institutional clients. AXIA is headquartered in Nicosia, Cyprus, regulated by the Cyprus Securities and Exchange Commission (License No: 086/07) and fully licensed to provide financial advisory services in significant financial markets around the world. AXIA has presence in Nicosia (Headquarters), Athens (Branch), Lisbon (Branch), New York (subsidiary) and also maintains a representative office in London. AXIA is the sole owner of AXIA Capital Markets, LLC (“ACM”), a broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) ([www.finra.org](http://www.finra.org)) and the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC). For more information on AXIA and its services, you can visit the AXIA website at <http://www.axiavg.com>

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