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CNP Assurances is supporting the development of H4D, the pioneer in medical teleconsultation solutions

CNP Assurances, alongside Bpifrance and Innovation Capital, is taking a capital stake in H4D and joining the board of directors, in a EUR 6.7m fundraising deal that will enable the French teleconsultation specialist to accelerate its commercial development.

As a responsible investor engaged in financing the economy, CNP Assurances is continuing its investment programme into innovative start-ups by taking a capital stake in H4D. A pioneer company in the field of medical teleconsultation, H4D has completed its second funding round, raising EUR 6.7m to finance the commercial development of its e-health solutions including the Consult Station, a connected medical unit that can remotely perform health check-ups and undertake general or specialist medical consultations.

The fundraising exercise was led by a syndicate involving the Innovation Capital Fund, Bpifrance and CNP Assurances. The Luxembourg family office Atoga, the historic shareholder of H4D, has also increased its investment. Following the deal, Peggy Séjourné, Services Strategy Director for the social protection and services business unit at CNP Assurances, shall be joining the H4D board of directors.

Since it was founded in 2008, H4D has pursued its original mission to respond to changes in healthcare needs and combat social and regional inequalities in terms of access to care. By collecting information about the patient, such as body temperature, blood pressure, heartrate and bodyweight, or by carrying out ENT examinations and hearing and sight tests, the Consult Station can remotely process 85% of the most common reasons for seeking a medical consultation at a classic health centre.

CNP Assurances is one of the top 50 institutional investors in unlisted companies worldwide, and one of the leaders in France. The Group annually invests EUR 500-700m in this asset class, and in so doing supports unlisted businesses throughout their lifecycle. The Group recently launched the Open CNP scheme that aims to finance and support the development of innovative start-ups. This scheme will also be mutually beneficial to CNP Assurances by stimulating further growth drivers, and contributing to the company's digital transformation.

CNP Assurances' Chief Digital Officer Magali Noé said: *"We are delighted to support the development of H4D in its mission to combat healthcare inequality through innovation in the field of medical teleconsultation. The deal perfectly reflects the CNP Assurances group's digital dynamism and fits in with its strategy to develop high added value e-health services"*.

Hélène Falchier, Head of Private Equity Investment at CNP Assurances, added: *"This latest investment in a start-up, which is a pioneer in its field, bears the hallmark of our Open CNP scheme, much like our investment into the Lendix crowdlending platform in April"*.

About CNP Assurances

CNP Assurances is France's leading personal insurer with net profits of €1,130 million in 2015. The Group also has operations in other European countries and in Latin America, with a significant presence in Brazil. It has more than 28 million personal risk/protection insureds worldwide and more than 13 million savings and pensions policyholders. For 160 years, CNP Assurances has been protecting people against the risks of everyday life. The Group designs and manages life insurance, pension, personal risk insurance and protection products (term creditor insurance and health insurance).

- In France, CNP Assurances distributes its individual insurance products through La Banque Postale and the Caisses d'Épargne, as well as through its own network: Amétis. In Brazil, its second largest market, the Group's partner is Caixa Econômica Federal, the country's second-biggest state-owned bank.
- In group insurance, CNP Assurances crafts tailor-made personal risk, pension and term creditor insurance products that are aligned with the needs of companies, local authorities, mutual insurers, non-profit organizations, and banks in Europe and Latin America.

CNP Assurances has been listed on the Paris Stock Exchange since October 1998 (the first market) and has a stable shareholder structure thanks to the signing of an agreement between its major shareholders (Caisse des Dépôts, La Banque Postale, Groupe BPCE and the French State).

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