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PATRICK NEWBERRY APPOINTED NON EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UNIPART EXPERT PRACTICES



Unipart, one of Europe's leading manufacturing, logistics and consultancy groups, has appointed Patrick Newberry as a non executive director of its consultancy, Unipart Expert Practices (UEP).

Pat has deep experience of the consulting sector having held a series of senior roles in PwC's consulting practice, including commercial partner for the consulting business. He has been chairman of PwC's Financial Services Regulatory Practice, playing a significant part in the development of PwC's consulting business in the last ten years.

Patrick Newberry

During his consulting career, he has focused on the financial sector in the UK and globally, working with clients to develop and implement new strategies and to improve performance.

Pat is a former President of the Management Consultancies Association. In this role, he worked with other leading consultancies to strengthen the consulting profession in the UK and to ensure that it delivered high quality and value for money for its clients.

Commenting on the appointment, Unipart Chairman and Group Chief Executive John Neill said: "I am delighted to welcome Pat Newberry to the Unipart Expert Practices board. His extensive experience in building and running a highly successful consulting business will provide our executive team with a combination of strategic insight and wise counsel. He will add immensely to the stature of the board, and we are looking forward to working with Pat to continue to develop our existing products and services, and to provide more innovative solutions for our clients."

Pat Newberry joins UEP at a time when the business is growing rapidly, building on its successes in the public and private sectors. UEP helps organisations to achieve real employee engagement in improving customer service and business performance. His experience of the consulting sector will help UEP to strengthen its offerings even further and to extend its business into new sectors.

Pat Newberry said: "Unipart is an extraordinarily impressive organisation which has engaged its employees in relentless improvement of service to customers and continual performance improvement in a way which few companies ever get near. I am delighted to have the opportunity to work with the team at Unipart to share this excellence with other great businesses and to help them transform their competitiveness and performance at a time when commercial growth is more important than ever before."

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Editors' Notes:

About The Unipart Group

The Unipart Group employs more than 10,000 personnel worldwide and has an annual turnover of more than £1billion. It is a leading UK manufacturer, full service logistics provider and consultant in operational excellence.

Operating across a range of market sectors, including automotive, leisure, manufacturing, mobile telecoms, rail, retail and technology, Unipart offers a breadth of services from third party logistics to expert consultancy.

All Unipart sites operate according to the Group's proprietary version of Lean known as The Unipart Way. This is a philosophy of working underpinned by tools and techniques that inspires efficiency, flexibility and outstanding customer service in any process.

The company, which is based in Oxford in the UK, has a growing number of international sites supporting a wide range of blue chip clients. For more information visit: www.unipart.com.