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FOSTER DENOVO'S IAN BIRD JOINS EXECUTIVE TEAM
-Founding Partner appointed to director of business development
-National firm acquires charity specialist business

Foster Denovo, www.fosterdenovo.com, the national firm of financial advisers, has agreed terms with founding partner Ian Bird to move into the role of director of business development for the employee benefits and charity solutions businesses.

Ian's new role will lead the employee benefits division, SecondSight, and Foster Denovo's Charity Solutions business. He will work closely alongside operations director, Helen Lovett and sales and marketing director, Darren Laverty - supporting the company's growth plans for 2015 and beyond.

A founding Partner of Foster Denovo, Ian has run a successful practice specialising in the charity sector - with over 160 charities representing over 20,000 employees.

As part of the change, Foster Denovo has acquired Ian Bird's business. He will continue to manage his existing team as part of the new role, with the objective of maintaining its growth and performance by integrating it more closely with the SecondSight operation.

Roger Brosch, CEO, commented: "This is an exciting development for Foster Denovo, creating additional profit to the business in the short-term, and playing a major part in our plans for future growth.

"We are delighted that Ian has decided to take on this role, and to become part of the management team - he will be a real asset. Over the past 25 years, he has developed a strong proposition for the charity sector and his business unit is now leading within this space."

Ian Bird said: "I have real confidence in the business strategy for Foster Denovo, and am excited by the opportunities that lie ahead. We are already looking at a number of potential new propositions to take to market across the employee benefits space - for both the charity and corporate sectors.

"As a founding Partner, I have always been closely linked to the development of the business; I am now looking forward to becoming part of an already strong management team."

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Notes to editors

About Foster Denovo:

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Advice for private clients covers the full range of advisory areas, including financial planning, retirement solutions, estate planning and mortgages and protection.

The company operates a dedicated charity division, Foster Denovo Charity Solutions, which provides financial and employee benefits advice to charitable organisations and their staff.

SecondSight, the company's dedicated employee benefits division, provides pension and employee benefits advice to businesses.

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