

PRESS RELEASE





Sobraquès and Geldoc join Even

France's competition regulator, the *Autorité de la Concurrence*, has granted Even approval for the acquisition of Sobraquès (Pyrénées-Orientales): the Catalan distribution firm and its entire workforce (over 200 employees) are to officially join the Group's distribution division in early 2016. Sobraquès is a family business founded in 1872 and based in Perpignan (Pyrénées-Orientales), specialised in the distribution of refrigerated and frozen foods to catering professionals. It has a turnover of €60 million and a customer base of 5000 clients in Catalonia.

Meanwhile, the Group has also finalised its takeover of Geldoc, a firm based in Rodez (Aveyron), with a 60-strong workforce and a €15 million turnover, which supplies restaurants in Auvergne and Rouergue.

Directors Christine Muller and Laurent Sobraquès will retain their role at Geldoc and Sobraquès respectively.

These two new acquisitions will help to strengthen the Krill network which, since 2008, has been striving to promote its nationwide development while always preserving the local specificities and regional roots of the companies which form this network.

Following the acquisition of Dipral in Moustoir'Ac near Lorient (Morbihan) in February 2015 and Bretagne Viandes Restauration in Quimper (Finistère) in June, these two new takeovers are further evidence of **Even's determination to develop its food distribution activities**. This division, which represents almost half of the Group's personnel and 25% of its turnover, **provides balance** and contributes to the Group's mission: to develop a high performance and sustainable dairy supply to support its member farmers.



Even Distribution, a food distribution specialist

Since the early 1990s, the Group has been developing its Food Distribution activity through organic growth and the acquisition of companies specialised in Home Delivery (Argel, Artika) and the Catering Industry (around twenty companies in France, ten of which make up the Krill network).

Today the group comprises 2,570 employees and has a turnover of €520 million.



Even, a cooperative agri-food group founded in Brittany

With a turnover of **€2.2 billion** and **5,500** employees, Even ranks among France's leading agri-food groups.

Even's business is composed of complementary activities:

- milk and dairy products through its subsidiary Laïta,
- **food distribution** in the food delivery and catering sectors.
- services geared towards the upstream agricultural sector,
- agri-food activities in the prepared meals and curing sectors.

Here at Even our mission, true to our cooperative roots, is to provide good, healthy food for all, while sustainably creating human and economic wealth.