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# **RALLYE**

25<sup>th</sup> September 2013

Rallye SA successfully places EUR 375 million of bonds due 2020 exchangeable for existing Casino, Guichard-Perrachon ordinary shares

Rallye SA ("Rallye") announces today the successful placement of an initial amount of EUR 300 million offering of bonds (the "Bonds") exchangeable for existing ordinary shares (the "Shares") of Casino, Guichard-Perrachon ("Casino"). The order book was widely oversubscribed, which helped increase the final issuance amount to EUR 375 million.

The Bonds will carry a 7 year maturity and will bear interest at a rate of 1.00% per annum payable annually in arrear. The Bonds will be issued at 100% of the principal amount and, unless previously redeemed, exchanged or cancelled, will be redeemed in cash or through the delivery of Shares or a combination thereof, at Rallye's option, on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2020 at a redemption price of 109.36% of the principal amount, corresponding to a yield to maturity of 2.25% per annum. Any Bondholder will have the option to ask for the early redemption of the Bonds on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2018, at the accreted principal amount, plus accrued interest.

The Bonds' nominal value will represent an issue premium of 30% over Casino's reference share price, calculated as the average of Casino shares prices weighted by the volume of transactions on NYSE Euronext Paris from the opening of trading today to pricing (Volume Weighted Average Price ("VWAP")). Each Bond will be exchangeable for Shares at an initial ratio of one Share per Bond, subject to customary adjustments.

Bondholders may elect to exchange their Bonds for Shares subject to the Issuer's right to elect to deliver an equivalent amount in cash for all or part of the Shares. The number of Shares underlying the Bonds represents approximately 3% of Casino's share capital.

Rallye will have the option to redeem the Bonds early on or after 17<sup>th</sup> October 2017 (the 4th anniversary of the issue date + 15 days), if the value of the Shares deliverable upon exchange of the Bonds exceeds 130% of the accreted principal amount of the Bonds for a specified period (in accordance with the conditions set forth in the Terms and Conditions of the Bonds).

Settlement is expected to occur on or around 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2013.

The issue proceeds shall be used for Rallye's general financing needs.

Application will be made to have the Bonds admitted to trading on the Open Market (*Freiverkehr*) segment of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange or on an internationally recognised, regularly operating, regulated or non-regulated stock exchange, as determined by Rallye, within 90 days following the closing date.

The Bonds were placed to institutional investors outside of the United States of America pursuant to Regulation S.

BNP PARIBAS and Deutsche Bank and The Royal Bank of Scotland acted as Joint Bookrunners in respect of the offering of the Bonds. Crédit Agricole CIB, Natixis and Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking acted as Co-Bookrunners.

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- (b) to fewer than 100 or, if the Relevant Member State has implemented the relevant provision of the Amending Prospectus Directive, 150, natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Amending Prospectus Directive); or
- (c) in any other circumstances falling with Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive;

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