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## Cybersecurity : Apave acquires OPPIDA and LSTI and launches its digital risk management and prevention platform

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Apave, an international group with more than 150 years of experience, specializing in the management of technical, environmental and human risks, today announced the acquisition of OPPIDA and LSTI, two companies with recognized expertise in the field of cybersecurity risk management.

Thanks to the skills, solutions and accreditations of these two specialists, combined with Apave's historical expertise, the Group is entering a new phase in its development and is announcing the launch of its digital risk management and prevention platform. Apave aims to consolidate its position as a trusted third party by extending its expertise, which until now has been based on the management of technical, human and environmental risks, to include support for its customers in the management of digital risks.

Apave is once again demonstrating its external growth dynamic, as announced at the launch of its 2021-2025 strategic plan, and confirming its desire to become a recognised player in digital trust, as illustrated by its membership of Campus Cyber, the network of excellence dedicated to cybersecurity created by the French government.

"Digital security is becoming a priority for many of our customers and digital security is a concern for many citizens. As we have been doing for years, our offerings and expertise are evolving to continue to meet the new challenges of a changing world. With these acquisitions, we are confirming our desire to position ourselves as a major player in digital trust and will continue our efforts in this direction in the years to come. I am delighted to welcome the OPPIDA and LSTI teams to the Group," said Philippe Maillard, CEO of the Apave Group.

#### Assess, audit, test, certify, train and advise... to prevent digital risks

Guaranteeing the reliability of information systems, whether office or industrial, and guaranteeing the protection of data, whether personal or industrial, are two major challenges that all organisations, whether private or public, and whatever their size, must manage and meet.

Apave's Cybersecurity platform offers standard and customised approaches to help organisations protect themselves against malicious acts, to test the vulnerability of their systems, to label or certify the quality of their protection, and to train their employees to anticipate and manage these risks.

The expertise and cybersecurity accreditations of OPPIDA and LSTI, applied to Apave's traditional businesses (inspection, training, certification & labelling, testing & measurement and consulting) and to the Group's international activities, enable Apave to position itself as a key player in digital risk management and to offer all its customers this new range of solutions.

These companies are authorised by the ANSSI (French National Agency for Information System's Security) to provide Cyberdefence certification, among other things. LSTI as a certifying body and OPPIDA as a CESTI (Centre d'Evaluation de la Sécurité des Technologies de l'Information).

## About OPPIDA

Created in 1998, OPPIDA is an independent consulting firm specialising in information systems security. OPPIDA works in all areas where information systems security is a major issue: banks, industry, public sector. OPPIDA has 40 employees whose skills are recognised and validated by the various accreditations maintained by OPPIDA with the ANSSI (PASSI, CESTI).

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### About LSTI

LSTI is a conformity assessment body specialised in cybersecurity and data protection. Created in 2004, LSTI has developed a real expertise in information security and is recognised as one of the major certification bodies in Europe for the assessment of trust services providers in the context of the eIDAS regulation and the ANSSI cyber standards.

#### About Apave

Apave is an international group with over 150 years of experience in risk management. An independent company with a turnover of €881M in 2019, Apave currently has 12,400 employees, 130 agencies in France, 170 training sites in France and abroad and 18 testing centres. Apave has an international presence in over 45 countries. Nearly 500,000 customers already place their trust in Apave in France and abroad. www.apave.com

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