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## Lee Taylor announced as new Chief Executive for UK and Ireland

- Tim Tozer, current CEO, to become Non-Executive Chairman
- Tim will step down on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022. Lee Taylor will succeed him on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022.

London, July 20th - Allianz Partners UK and Ireland announces that Tim Tozer will step down from his role as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) on 30th September 2022. He will be succeeded by Lee Taylor, currently Chief Sales Officer (CSO) for UK and Ireland, on 1st October 2022.

Tim began his career with Allianz Partners, a world leader in insurance and assistance services, in the early 2000s, as Sales Director. He then returned to Allianz Partners in September 2018 as CEO. During Tim's time as CEO, he successfully led the organisation through an IT transformation and assured a growth trajectory with the retention of key clients as well as two major contract wins. From 1st October onwards, the UK and Ireland business will continue to benefit from his significant experience when he becomes non-Executive Chairman, replacing Mike Webb who is now retiring.

As CEO, Lee will report to Alexis Obligi, Regional CEO for Western Europe, Latin America and MEA (Middle East and Africa). Lee brings a depth of knowledge and wealth of industry experience gained from 15 years in the UK business. He joined the group in 2006 as Head of Warranty and Service Programmes and has held a number of management positions including Regional Sales Officer for Northern Europe, UK Sales Director and his current role, CSO for UK and Ireland. As CSO, Lee has been playing a significant role in diversifying and profitably growing the business across multiple lines such as home, travel and financial institutions.

Lee comments: "I am delighted to have this opportunity to lead the UK and Ireland business as CEO. My aspiration for the business is to continue the profitable growth established by Tim, while supporting our clients and consumers through some of the ongoing challenges facing our markets. Providing a stable environment for colleagues in these uncertain times will also be key in enabling them to deliver customer-centric services and peace of mind".

Lee and Tim are working closely together to ensure a smooth transition process and enable Tim to hand over various responsibilities.

A vigorous recruitment process for the next Sales Director is currently underway and this appointment will be announced in due course.

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