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Paris, France – Ipsos is pleased to announce the appointment of Judith Passingham as Global CEO of Ipsos Interactive Services (IIS), the Ipsos online research division. She will join the company on 2nd January 2014.

Judith Passingham comes to Ipsos from TNS with a deep global experience she developed through challenging assignments in Europe, North America, Latin America and Asia. She brings a comprehensive knowledge of the research field with a particular focus and passion for panels.

Most recently CEO of TNS Northern Europe, Judith was previously responsible for TNS's continuous consumer panel division for many years. As CEO of Worldpanel she implemented a global brand, rationalized delivery into one common worldwide approach and launched a range of services based on new technology platforms.

"Judith's track record in developing new business and services at a global level, together with her strong capacity to ensure local implementation, made her the ideal candidate to lead IIS," says Didier Truchot Founder and Co-President of Ipsos.

About her new role, Judith says: "I'm delighted to be joining Ipsos, which is a company I have long admired. Ipsos's deep research roots and intellectual curiosity are compelling, and provide a powerful foundation for service expansion and development."

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She will report directly to Ipsos' Co-President Didier Truchot. Judith will have full global responsibility for all IIS services and will be a member of the Ipsos Management Board.

About IIS - The online research experts

Mastering the technologies that, today and tomorrow, are the instruments of online surveys, Ipsos Interactive Services is a leading global online data collection organization, with more than 10 years of experience

Ipsos Interactive Services is a global organisation with 800 online research experts servicing all regions.

With more than 4.5 million panellists in 46 countries, IIS's panels cover all of the major markets in Europe, North and South America, Asia-Pacific and the Middle East.

IIS has conducted over 35 million online interviews in 2013.

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