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Fidessa adds to US executive team *Appoints David Polen as Head of Business Development*

New York, May 14, 2012 – Fidessa group plc (LSE: FDSA), provider of high-performance trading, investment management and information solutions for the world’s financial community, has today announced the appointment of David Polen as Head of Business Development. Mr. Polen is responsible for Fidessa’s strategic development efforts in the US, and reports to Mark Ames, CEO of Fidessa’s US business.

In his new role, Mr. Polen brings valuable client-side experience and focuses on business development, working closely with customers and prospects on Fidessa’s new and existing services, including its powerful line of trader intelligence tools and connectivity solutions. Mr. Polen previously worked at Fidessa for thirteen years in positions throughout the company. He started as a developer, moved on to product management and eventually ran product marketing. In his most recent external position, Mr. Polen served as Managing Director at Lime Brokerage, where he oversaw the company’s high frequency business line, sales and product management.

Mark Ames comments: “With more than a decade of experience architecting technology systems for equity and options trading, Mr. Polen is well-suited to take on this new position. In his prior role at Fidessa, he was instrumental in turning client feedback into innovative solutions that helped customers stay ahead of their competition. We are delighted to have him back at Fidessa and look forward to the next phase of his leadership in this area.”

Mr. Polen adds, “Fidessa is always looking for better ways to enable its community to make sense of their trading environment, identify new opportunities and fine-tune its execution activity in real-time. Our global infrastructure, comprehensive trading services and connectivity network extend across around 200 markets, with nearly 2000 experienced employees world-wide running our services. I hope to leverage my experience on both sides – as a vendor and as a broker – to help our customers and partners grow their businesses. This is a tremendously exciting opportunity for me.”

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Exceptional trading, investment and information solutions for the world’s financial community.

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Fidessa is a global business with scale, resilience, ambition and expertise. We've delivered around 30% compound growth since our stock market listing in 1997 and we're recognised as the thought leader in our space. We set the benchmark with our unrivalled set of mission-critical products and services and, uniquely, serve both the buy-side and sell-side communities. Ongoing investment in our leading-edge, integrated solutions ensures Fidessa remains the industry's number one choice.

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