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THE ASSOCIATION OF
ART & ANTIQUES DEALERS

Media Announcement

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**LAPADA THE ASSOCIATION OF ART & ANTIQUES DEALERS ANNOUNCES NEW CHAIRMAN
AND CHANGES TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

LAPADA the Association of Art & Antiques Dealers today announces the appointment of Lord de Mauley as its Chairman from 17 May 2017. Lord de Mauley's appointment will see his predecessor Lord Chadlington step down as Chairman after seven successful years in the role. Lord Chadlington will become a Life President of LAPADA, alongside Earl Howe.

Former Minister for the Natural Environment, Science and Animal Welfare at Defra, entrepreneur Rupert de Mauley has been an army reservist for thirty years. He is colonel of the UK's only reserve armoured regiment and president of SPANA and the Council of the Reserve Forces and Cadets Association. He has a great enthusiasm for art and antiques and has been a member of the House of Lords since 2005.

Rebecca Davies, Chief Executive of LAPADA, said "Lord Chadlington has served as Chairman of the Association for the last seven years and overseen significant improvements both in our financial strength and in our influence in the trade and the wider world. We warmly welcome Lord de Mauley who will build on these successes."

Lord de Mauley, said "I am hugely impressed by the strength and depth in LAPADA's board and staff, and am looking forward to working with them to help LAPADA members in facing the challenges ahead."

In other changes to the Board of Directors, Jacqueline Pruskin, consultant and freelance journalist, has stepped down from the Board and will be replaced by Victor Benady. With a successful career in digital advertising and communications that spans over 20 years, Victor is a multi-award-winning creative director and strategist. Outside of work his passion lies with art collecting, amassing an impressive collection of nearly 400 works. A patron of young and emerging artists, he sits on the Royal Academy Schools fundraising committee and is currently working on projects with Liberty and the V&A.

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LAPADA the Association of Art & Antiques Dealers is the largest society of professional art and antiques dealers in the UK. It is a trusted resource for private collectors and the art and antiques trade in the UK and 16 other countries around the world. Established in 1974 it boasts over 500 worldwide members, who are experts in their fields, with specialities ranging from fine art, jewellery and furniture to contemporary works, sculpture and ceramics. Due to the Association's strict Code of Practice, clients are offered total reassurance when purchasing from a LAPADA member. LAPADA offers a referral service for any member of the public looking for a trusted dealer in a specific area, who is seeking quality and assurance of authenticity. It also offers industry advice and lobbies on issues affecting its members and good practice in the art and antiques trade. In 2015, LAPADA launched its newly developed website, which is the leading online marketplace for sourcing authentic art and antiques from trusted LAPADA-accredited dealers. lapada.org

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