

Preligens appoints Raymond Petty as General Manager to lead its U.S. operations

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Preligens, a world leader in artificial intelligence solutions for the defense and intelligence sectors, announces the appointment of Raymond Petty, 61 years old, to lead its U.S. operations.

Preligens strengthens its management team in the United States

Raymond joined Preligens in January 2022 to lead the U.S subsidiary and accelerate the activities across the Atlantic, becoming a member of the executive committee. With more than 30 years of experience in the defense and aerospace sectors, Raymond will bring his strong knowledge of the U.S market.

Raymond brings a successful record of growth and a deep knowledge of the US Defence and Aerospace industries which makes him a perfect match for Preligens. He was previously VP Global Aerospace and Defence at Wind River, a US software company specialized in embedded operating and intelligent systems, and previously Vice President for Electronics and Intelligence sectors at the US subsidiary for BAE Systems, a British defense and aerospace company. Raymond held other executive positions across global sectors, including President & CEO of Kongsberg Geospatial (Gallium Visual Systems). Raymond Petty has developed a particularly strong expertise in organic and acquisition growth strategies, creating, planning and executing innovative business plans, and strong leadership and global success with multi-cultural teams.

He will be in charge of managing and scaling the local team, together with Felix Choquet, Deputy General Manager and Mark Knapp, VP Defense and Intelligence Programs.

For Arnaud Guérin, CEO of Preligens, Raymond's arrival will accelerate the company's development in the US market : "At our stage of hypergrowth, we need an experienced professional and with Raymond's arrival to lead the US teams, we are now in a position to meet the challenges of our development in the United States. The signing of the first contracts with the US Department of Defense is very promising and confirms our need to accelerate the pace in the US. »

"Joining a fast-growing French scale up is an exceptional adventure for me. I wanted to join Arnaud and Renaud to take on this challenge and grow our US market presence. Defense and Intelligence are very difficult markets for foreign companies to enter and I will dedicate all of my time, energy, and resources to build the necessary infrastructure and relationships to rapidly launch Preligens' ambitious strategy for its US expansion" said Raymond Petty.

CV and photo available on request.