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## The Carlyle Group Releases Two Commentaries on the European Economic and Investment Climate

## Audio Podcast and Economic Paper See Lower Asset Prices and Incipient Growth

**Washington, DC** – Global alternative asset manager <u>The Carlyle Group</u> (NASDAQ:CG), today released two commentaries on the European economic and investment climate. In Carlyle's latest *ValuCast* audio podcast, the Co-Heads of Carlyle's Europe Buyout team, Marco De Benedetti and Gregor Böhm, and Carlyle Chief Economist Jason Thomas discuss the firm's European economic outlook. And in his latest *Economic Outlook*, Mr. Thomas details generally how Europe's depressed asset prices continue to reflect risks that have since abated.

In *ValuCast*, Messrs. De Benedetti and Böhm are joined by Mr. Thomas in a discussion ranging from the causes of the economic crisis and investment opportunities in major European countries to asset prices and the availability of credit.

In his *Economic Outlook*, Mr. Thomas states that price discounts in Europe may have more to do with a fatalistic attitude that ignores specifics, rather than the underlying risks themselves.

Carlyle *ValuCast* podcasts and Mr. Thomas's *Economic Outlook* papers are available on the Market Commentary section of <u>Carlyle.com</u>. To subscribe to the *ValuCast* series, visit iTunes or Carlyle's Alerts and Subscriptions page.

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