

Andre Larente from DIAGNOS on Deal with World's Largest Eyecare Retailer EssilorLuxottica

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InvestorNews host Tracy Weslosky recently conducted an insightful interview with André Larente, President and Director of [DIAGNOS Inc.](#) (TSXV: ADK | OTCQB: DGNOF), to discuss the company's exclusive [distribution agreement](#) with EssilorLuxottica. DIAGNOS, known for its pioneering FLAIRE platform based on Artificial Intelligence (AI), has solidified its position as a leading provider of retinal analysis technology through this partnership. This agreement, announced on December 11th, is a significant milestone for DIAGNOS, signaling its growing influence in the AI and healthcare technical services sector.

During the interview, Larente highlighted the capabilities of DIAGNOS' AI-powered retinal image analysis technology, which has been acclaimed for its role in the early detection of various eye conditions. This breakthrough technology not only enhances the quality of eye health care but also significantly impacts patient lives positively. The partnership with EssilorLuxottica, a global leader in vision care with an \$87Bn market cap, is set for an initial three-year term with potential for renewal.

Under the agreement, DIAGNOS will be compensated on a per patient exam basis across EssilorLuxottica's client network. Larente expressed his pride in the partnership, emphasizing the pivotal role it plays in DIAGNOS' mission to broaden the accessibility of its retinal analysis technology. This

collaboration is expected to contribute significantly to visual health in Canada and potentially the USA. Both DIAGNOS and EssilorLuxottica are committed to advancing eye health and technology, with a focus on offering innovative solutions to optometrists that will transform the early detection and quality of eye care in the region.

In summary, DIAGNOS' exclusive distribution agreement with EssilorLuxottica marks a key development in its journey, reinforcing its commitment to revolutionizing eye health care through advanced AI-based technologies. This collaboration is set to make a profound impact on the early detection and treatment of eye conditions, benefiting a wide range of patients and healthcare providers.

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Investor.Coffee (12.11.2023): CDN Healthcare Deal, U.S. Dollar Gains Strength on Japan's Nikkei Rebound

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[DIAGNOS Inc.](#) (TSXV: ADK | OTCQB: DGNOF), a company we have followed for several years out of Montreal, [announced](#) a landmark move for the Canadian healthcare sector this morning. DIAGNOS Inc., a pioneer in artificial intelligence (AI)-driven health solutions, has announced a significant distribution agreement with global ophthalmic leader EssilorLuxottica. This exclusive Canadian contract, unveiled on December 11, 2023, signifies a pivotal moment for DIAGNOS, cementing its place in the market with its cutting-edge retinal analysis technology.

Renowned for its effectiveness in the early detection of eye

conditions, DIAGNOS's technology will now reach a broader audience through EssilorLuxottica's expansive network, promising an enhancement in the quality of eye health care. The three-year agreement, which includes a renewal option, entails a per-patient exam payment model to DIAGNOS. André Larente, DIAGNOS' President, highlighted this partnership's role in broadening the accessibility of their innovative technology, aligning with their mission to foster visual health in Canada and globally.

Market Watch: Global and US Economic Indicators

As the business day commences, futures indicate a downtrend, shadowing a dip in commodities like oil and gold. In the U.S., we are awaiting the Federal Reserve's monetary policy meeting and upcoming inflation data, which will shed light on the possibility of a soft landing for the economy. European shares are also experiencing a downturn, while Japan's Nikkei has seen a rebound. The U.S. dollar is gaining strength against the Japanese yen.

U.S. Central Bank's Interest Rate Decision

The U.S. Federal Reserve is set to release its interest rate decision on Wednesday, following last month's unchanged benchmark rate. Wall Street is increasingly optimistic about maintaining the status quo in December, as efforts to curb inflation without triggering a recession seem fruitful.

In recent global and U.S. economic updates, the market is witnessing a downward trend in futures, mirroring declines in commodities such as oil and gold. Investors in the U.S. are

particularly focused on the upcoming Federal Reserve's monetary policy meeting and the release of inflation data, which are crucial in assessing the prospects of a soft economic landing. Meanwhile, European shares are experiencing a downturn, in contrast to Japan's Nikkei which has shown a rebound. The U.S. dollar is strengthening against the Japanese yen.

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Some Business News Highlights:

- In corporate developments, French AI company Mistral AI, founded by ex-employees of Meta and Google, has [raised](#) €385 million in a second funding round, marking a significant milestone. This funding, led by investors such as Andreessen-Horowitz and LightSpeed Ventures, positions Mistral AI as a key player in the global AI landscape. The company also launched Mixtral 8x7B, an AI platform intended to compete with leading AI platforms like OpenAI's ChatGPT and Google's Bard.
- In the healthcare sector, U.S. insurer Cigna (NYSE: CI) has [ended](#) its merger talks with Humana Inc. (NYSE: HUM), citing price disagreements, and instead announced a significant \$10 billion share buyback plan. This development follows several years after regulatory interventions blocked major consolidations in the health insurance sector.
- In the tech industry, NVIDIA Corporation (NASDAQ: NVDA) is [expanding](#) its footprint in Vietnam, partnering with

leading tech companies in the country. This expansion, announced by NVIDIA's CEO, focuses on AI and digital infrastructure, aligning with Vietnam's ambitions to advance in chip design and manufacturing, especially in the context of ongoing U.S.-China trade tensions.

- In the energy sector, Occidental Petroleum Corp. (NYSE: OXY) has confirmed its [acquisition](#) of CrownRock, an energy producer in the Permian basin, in a \$12 billion deal. This acquisition is a strategic move for Occidental's growth in the energy sector.
- TC Energy Corp.'s (TSX: TRP | NYSE: TRP) Coastal GasLink project is currently facing legal challenges due to construction delays, which could significantly impact its financial liabilities. This comes as the C\$14.5 billion project was completed at over double its initial budget.
- In corporate leadership news, Tellurian Inc. (NYSE American: TELL) has announced a major change by [removing](#) its chairman and co-founder, Charif Souki, from his executive role. This change is part of the company's strategy to improve its prospects, particularly focusing on its Driftwood LNG project.
- Tesla Inc. (NASDAQ: TSLA) is under pressure from Nordic pension funds to [respect](#) collective bargaining rights for its employees. Concurrently, the company is defending its use of "Autopilot" and "self-driving" terminology amid regulatory examination in California.

Globally, the Middle East continues to experience intense conflict with no resolution in sight. The UK's manufacturing sector is showing signs of recovery, which could bolster the sector in the coming year. UK Prime Minister Rishi Sunak faces a critical week with a COVID-19 inquiry and a key parliamentary vote on asylum policy. The EU has reached a provisional deal on AI regulation, which includes governing biometric surveillance.

Bosch is adapting to changing auto sector demands, leading to significant job cuts. Signa Development Finance's potential insolvency proceedings highlight ongoing market challenges. Lastly, BP Plc's Bilbao Plant sale to Gunvor reflects BP's strategic transformation and commitment to becoming a net-zero company.

We kicked off our morning by tweeting our Top 10 Trending columns and videos for the last week that we encourage you to review:

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André Larente provides an update on the ‘exponential growth’ of the Diagnos AI-based telemedicine platform

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In this InvestorIntel interview, which may also be viewed on YouTube ([click here to subscribe to the InvestorIntel Channel](#)), André Larente went on to say that Diagnos recently announced a [three-year contract](#) renewal to provide its telemedicine platform to Optina Diagnostics to create tests for early detection of Alzheimer’s Disease. Diagnos has also signed [an MoU](#) with Essilor International, the world’s leading ophthalmic optics company. He also provided an update on Diagnos’ 7-year agreement with New Look Vision Group Inc. and explained how the deal will change New Look “from being an eyewear provider to becoming an eyecare provider.”

To watch the full interview, [click here](#).

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