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Duty Free Global, the travel retail wines and spirits specialist, has appointed John Kilmartin as Vice President of Sales.

Kilmartin is an internationally experienced travel retail executive with nearly 30 years' experience in the travel retail channel. He has dual experience having worked with both operator Aer Rianta International and in sales and marketing with Patron Spirits International.

With ARI he held senior leadership executive roles in commercial operations, business development, procurement and supply chain, in locations as diverse as Russia/CIS and North America.

Kilmartin left ARI to spearhead and lead the expansion of Patron Spirits International as Vice President Global Travel Retail. He was at the forefront of setting Patron's international expansion strategy and developing Patron Tequila into a truly global brand within global travel retail.

Duty Free Global Founder Barry Geoghegan said: "We are absolutely thrilled that John will be joining the team. He brings a wealth of experience to the Duty Free Global team, understanding both operator and brand side of travel retail. This will be a key role within DFG as we grow our global sales team and brand portfolio in travel retail. John is looking forward to meeting travel retail operators with our fantastic brand partners at the Virtual Expo and TFWA Cannes in October."

Headquartered in County Wicklow, Ireland, Duty Free Global (DFG) is a specialised wines and spirits brand partner focused on building brands in the global duty free and travel retail channel.