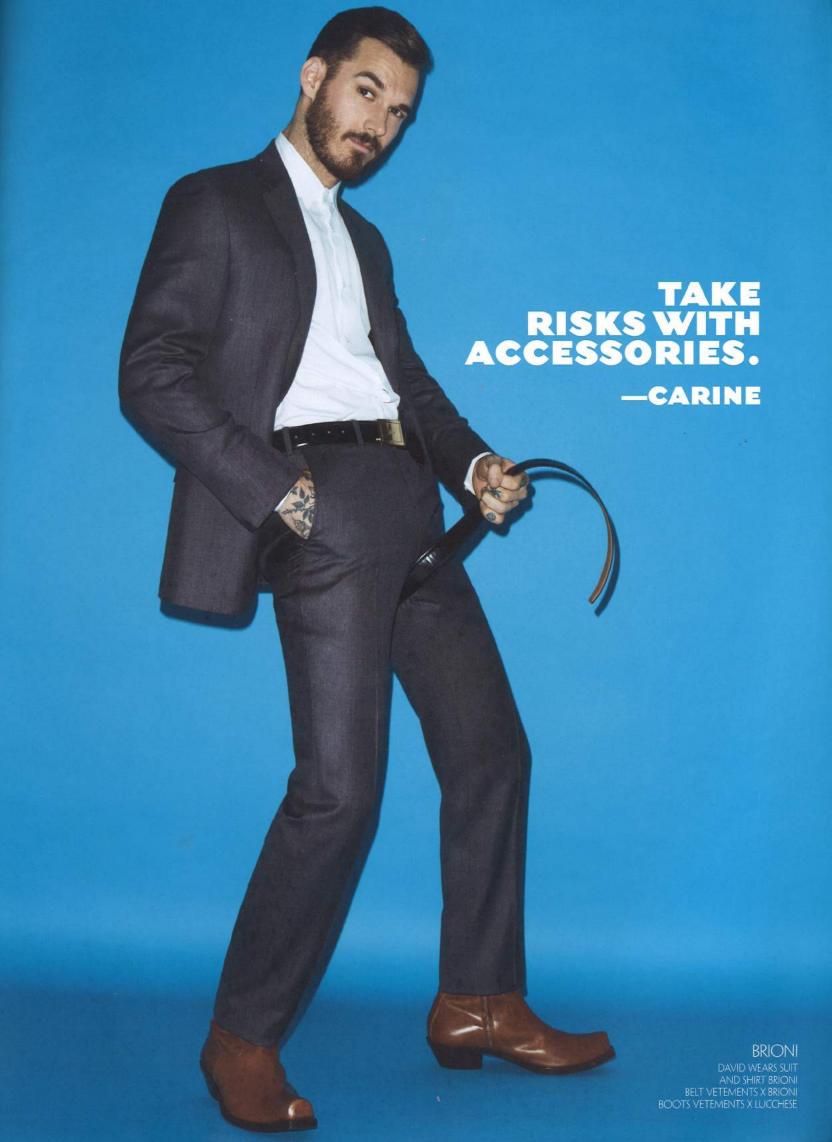
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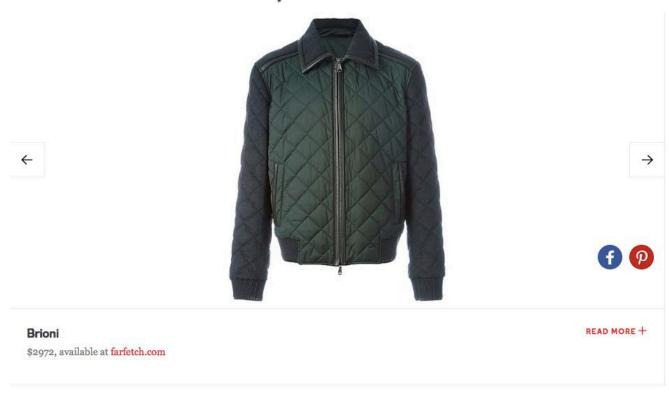






ZAYN MALIK'S UN-PUFFY PUFFER JACKET IS YOUR NEW OUTERWEAR MUST-HAVE

By Liza Corsillo



Over the last year, Zayn Malik has become more than a man to watch, he is *the* man to watch. His fade haircut has eclipsed Brad Pitt's as the most requested among hipster barber shops. His beard scruff is a work of art. And now, he's proven himself a master of the stylish (and warm AF) puffy jacket. While out in New York's East Village yesterday Malik kept cozy in a puffer that was decidedly not-so-puffy. Barely more voluminous than a motorcycle jacket, his jacket is part of a new pack of thinner down jackets. Genius, because it means you can step out of the house without knocking over your fellow pedestrians. We dig it so much, we found 10 more perfect for any man's closet. Here's to a cozier—and better looking—winter.

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The definitive oral history of a show that began as
'the worst pitch you've ever read' (see it yourself inside!)

as HBO's seminal comedy starts its final season and
LENA DUNHAM and Co. spill on the (very NSFW) sex scenes, those
racism charges and what the 'voice of her generation' does next

Clockwise from left: Jemima Kirke, Afex Karpovsky, Allison Williams, Dunham, Adam Driver, Zosia Mamet and Andrew Rannells were photographed in Brooklyn.

← Isaia

Gregorio charcoal gray tuxedo with black grosgrain lapels, \$4,550; pleated-front shirt, \$475; and grosgrain bow tie, \$150; at Isaia, Beverly Hills

← **Giorgio Armani** Made to Measure navy tuxedo, cotton shirt and bow tie; special order, price upon request, at Giorgio Armani, Beverly Hills

> → Brunello Cucinelli Midnight blue cashmere tuxedo, \$8,495; cotton shirt, \$675; and satin bow tie, \$275; at Brunello Cucinelli, Beverly Hills

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Double the Drama

As worn by awards season's dashing gents from Tom Hiddleston to Tom Ford, two sets of buttons are back on tuxedos By Carol McColgin

↑ Brioni

Classic black mohair tuxedo, \$5,750; cotton shirt, \$1,250; and silk bow tie, \$230; at Brioni stores and *brioni.com*

Photographed by Joseph Shin

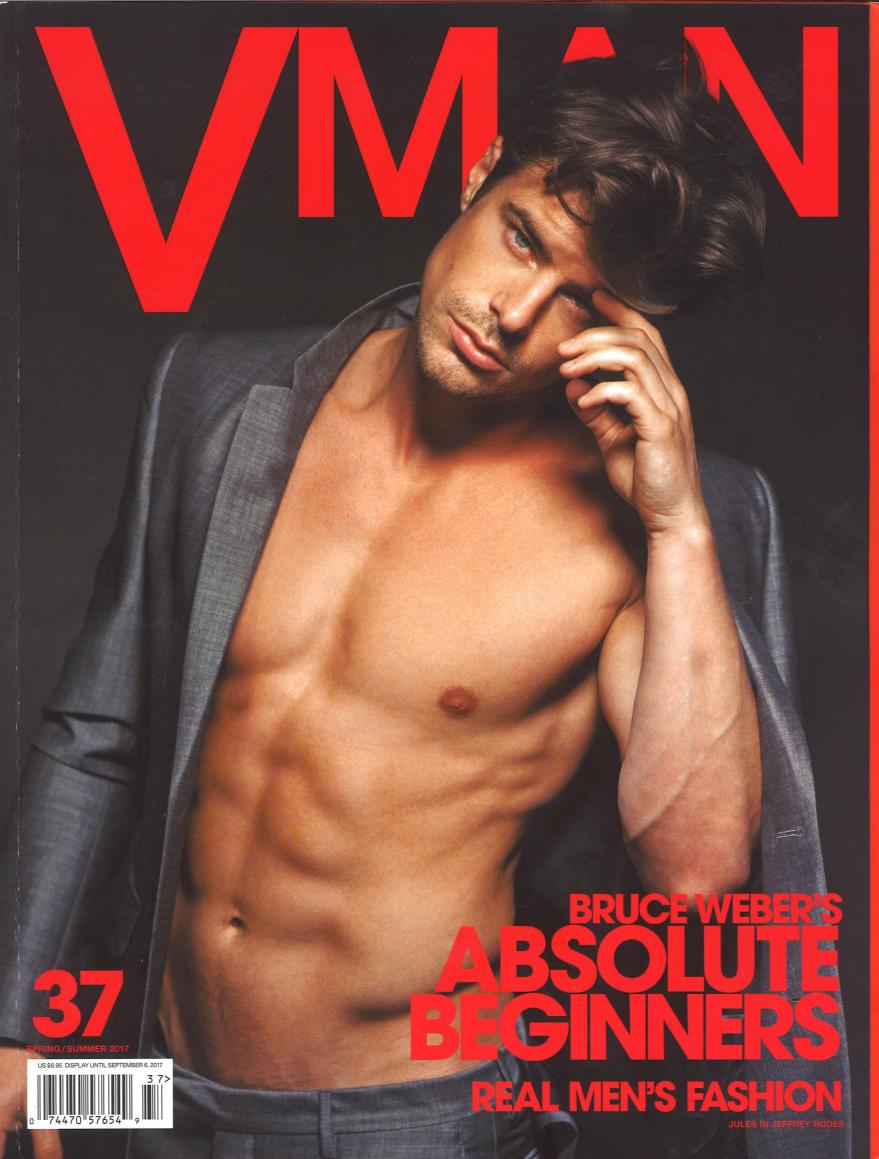


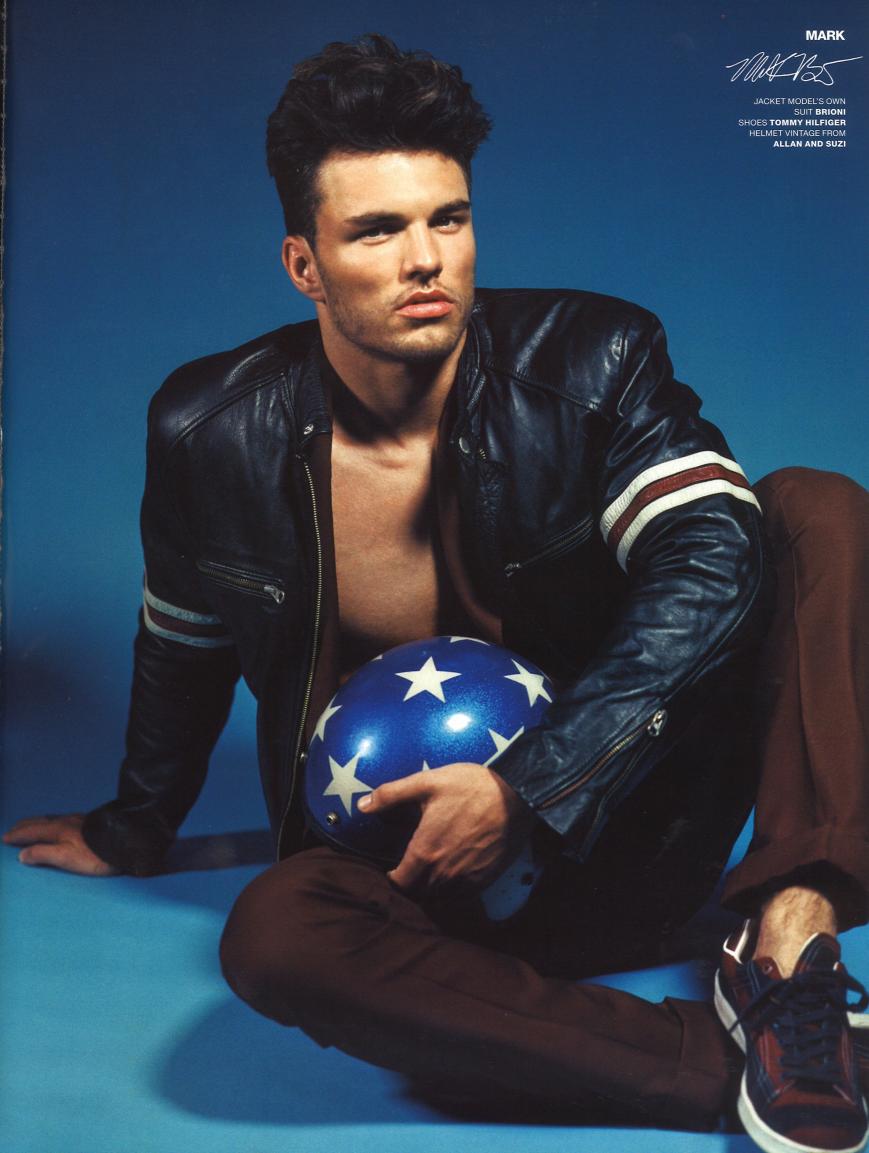
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BASIC TRAINING
Top, from left: R.M.
Williams jacket, Vince
sweater and Boglioli
pants. Caruso jacket,
Simon Miller T-shirt
and Ddugoff pants.
Middle, from left:
Givenchy by Riccardo
Tisci jacket and pants
and Vince sweater;
Brioni jacket, Brunello
Cucinelli sweater and
Ddugoff pants.

TREND REPORT

PRACTICAL MATTERS

Originally a military staple, the field jacket ups its cool factor this season with sharp cuts and fresh hues.







STANDARD ISSUE Left: Boglioli jacket, sweater and pants. Right: Etro jacket, Peuterey sweater and Ddugoff pants. Model, Kyle Mobus at Re:Quest Model Management; grooming, David Colvin. For details see Sources, page 124.

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Take Two

Brioni opens multifloor flagship at Madison Avenue and 62nd Street in New York



Betting Big on Beauty

CVS is getting behind emerging cosmetics and skin-care brands.



Retailers Blink First

Markdowns rise as holiday shopping shifts later and later.

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BUSINESS

Carolina Herrera Sues Oscar De la Renta

 The designer is seeking to stop Laura Kim from joining the rival fashion house as cocreative director until April.

BY WWD STAFF

Carolina versus Oscar.

In a battle pitting two grand names in American fashion – Carolina Herrera and Oscar de la Renta – Herrera has sued de la Renta in the Supreme Court of the State of New York over a young designer who has helped each brand inject a more youthful air into their collections: Laura Kim, who founded the Monse brand with Fernando Garcia.

Herrera on Wednesday filed a lawsuit seeking to block Kim from joining de la Renta as co-creative director with Garcia. The duo was named creative directors in

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BUSINESS

Berkshire Takes Kendra Scott Stake

 The founder of the Austin-based accessories brand retains majority control of the business.

BY EVAN CLARK

Kendra Scott found her new partner.

Private equity firm Berkshire Partners acquired a minority stake in Scott's hot Austin-based accessories brand, bringing to close one of the more closely watched auctions in fashion.

WWD reported Dec. 8 that Scott was drawing the interest of big-name investors in a Jefferies-run auction that could potentially value the company near \$1 billion. The final sale price was not disclosed and sources close to the process could not immediately be reached.

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The brand, which mixes accessible accessories with social-media savvy and a philanthropic bent, is something that's become a rare commodity on the fashion dealmaking scene – a growth story. Investors are always keen on companies that

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MEN'S

Brioni Opens Flagship on Madison Ave.

 The 5,974-square-foot store is located on the corner of 62nd Street and Madison Avenue.

BY JEAN F. PALMIERI

NEW YORK – Brioni is taking its luxury Italian aesthetic to Madison Avenue here with the opening of a two-level, 5,974-square-foot flagship on 62nd Street.

The store is the second iteration of a David Chipperfield Architects Milan design that launched in Paris in July on Rue Saint-Honoré. But Gianluca Flore, chief executive officer of the Kering-owned Brioni, said the layout of the New York store allows for a fuller expression of the design.

"It's even nicer than Paris," he said.
"That fact that it is two full floors allows
for the concept to express itself in a better
way." The Paris store is also on two levels,
but one is below ground.

The New York store, which opens
Thursday, replaces a smaller unit on 57th
Street that closed on Sunday. The flagship
was intended to open in late October, but
construction delays, due in part to the fact
that the location is a residential building,
pushed back the opening date.

The opening of the store comes as Brioni is in the midst of another reboot after a tumultuous 10 months. It parted ways with its then-creative director Brendan Mullane, tapped Justin O'Shea as his successor, and then pushed O'Shea out after six months following pushback from retailers and customers over O'Shea's attempts to make the storied brand "edgier."

Flore said the store may offer a few O'Shea designs, but the bulk of the offering will be the more-sedate highend tailored clothing, sportswear and accessories that have become a hallmark of the label since its founding in Rome in 1945. "We will have the entire lifestyle," he said.

The store design also speaks to the "roots of Brioni," Flore said. It features gray Travertine floors and walls and colored marble columns that are intended to be reminiscent of ancient Roman



architecture. But the cursive script spelling of the brand name is gone, replaced with the controversial Gothic lettering that O'Shea championed during his short tenure at the label, but that the brand says is a reworked version of its historic logo.

Lighting is housed in the ceiling, there are rosewood cases and timber paneling to distinguish the different areas.

A stairway between the two floors is also created from the Travertine and large windows on both floors allow for natural light to complement the interior space, although frosted shades are used on the upper level.

On the second floor, a special plaster is used to provide a textured finish.

Throughout the store, there are velvet seating areas and other furniture from 20th century architects including Albini and Mies van der Rohe. For the opening, a moving tailoring machine, complete with gold spools of thread and thimbles, fill the

Madison Avenue windows

Upon entering, a few suits are hung front and center and the rest of the floor offers clothing, sport shirts, sweaters, jeans, dress shirts, ties, shoes, small leather goods and sunglasses. The upper level focuses more on tailored clothing and includes a bespoke area at the front. The fitting rooms are large and the walls are covered in vintage leather designed to look like upholstery that would be used in Sixties cars.

Overall, the store is airy and modern with no racks full of merchandise to obscure its design. It has two entrances, on Madison Avenue and 62nd Street, and is located across the street from Hermes and near the soon-to-open Tom Ford store.

Flore said Brioni's store "enhances the brand's Roman roots with a contemporary undercurrent." And the design offers the "same quality and details as we put in our garments. We created an environment linked to the DNA of the brand but with a fresh environment."

He said the large size of the store allowed Brioni to create a special VIP area for its bespoke service – perfect for long-time bespoke client President-elect Donald Trump – oversize fitting rooms and an airy environment that is appropriate for a brand whose off-the-rack suits can retail for less than \$5,000. Bespoke suits start at around \$7,000 and go up from there.

The store is also intended to plant a stake in the ground in the U.S., which accounts for about one-third of the brand's global business.

Flore said after a tough 2015, sales have improved here and in fact, Brioni experienced "a strong recovery" starting in the June-July period. "We've seen a better trend," he said. "Our loyal customers are coming back and buying with more confidence."

Business improved even more after the U.S. presidential election, he said, which is "a very good sign."

Brioni has also been successful in attracting a different customer and is appealing to men from their mid-30s to 50 in addition to its older core shopper, he said.

Flore said the plan is not to add to the store count in the U.S., which includes 10 stores in Bal Harbour and Palm Beach, Fla.; Las Vegas; Beverly Hill; Chicago and Washington, D.C. (There are also 49 stores around the world in Europe, Asia, the Middle East and other countries.)
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Instead, the goal is to increase compara ble-store sales in its own stores as well as with its wholesale partners, which in the U.S. include Neiman Marcus, Saks Fifth Avenue, Barneys New York and others.

But while the store count may not change, Flore said Brioni is still expecting to bring on a creative director to succeed O'Shea and design the brand. "We're considering and looking for the right person to fit within the strategy of the brand," he said. Although he provided no time frame, he said: "We will appoint someone."

For now, the focus is on the New York store. "Our position in America is to reference the iconic elegance of the brand that is recognized by our customer as having style, elegance and quality," he said. "And we want to make sure we give them an excellent experience too – that's why we invested in New York."







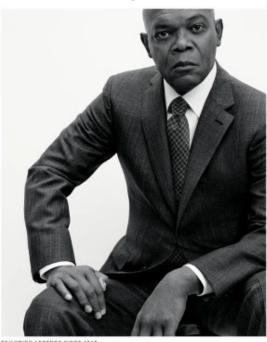
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Exclusive: Brioni Taps Samuel L. Jackson for Spring Ads By Luisa Zargani



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MILAN — Brioni is going back to its tailoring roots by tapping legendary actor Samuel L. Jackson to front its sophisticated spring ads in a strong move away from the recent campaign portraying members of Metallica.

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In the polished and sleek black-andwhite images, Jackson strikes a pose by mostly looking straight into the camera.

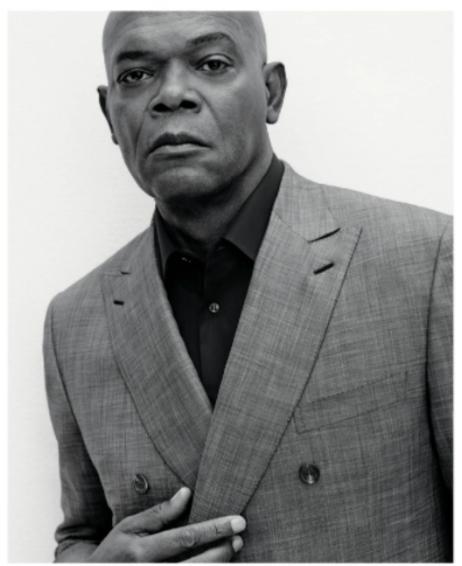


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Most recently, the American actor wore a blue velvet Bespoke Brioni suit at the Academy Awards and a suede blouson and cashmere sweater by the Italian brand at the Independent Spirit Awards. By choosing Jackson, Brioni underscores its longstanding link with Hollywood, from the on-screen James Bond character to actors ranging from Denzel Washington to Michael Keaton, to name a few.

Jackson, who has been featured in movies including "Pulp Fiction," "Star Wars," "Django Unchained" and "The Avengers," was photographed in Los Angeles by Gregory Harris.



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The campaign is part of a wider project titled "Tailoring Legends" — portraits of international leading men from different industries each with their own interpretation of the brand.



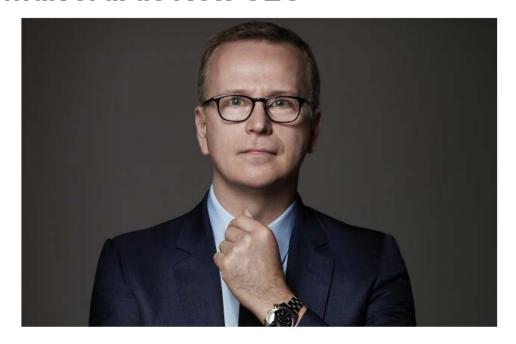


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The shift in communication comes as the men's wear company is going through a phase of change. As reported last month, former chief executive officer Gianluca Flore exited Brioni and market sources say Fabrizio Malverdi, ceo of Agent Provocateur, is expected to be his successor. The brand is currently without a creative director in the wake of Justin O'Shea's departure last October, after only six months in that role, during which he steered Brioni away from its heritage and made changes that observers believed were not in sync with the brand, such as tapping Metallica for the label's fall 2016 ads.

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EXCLUSIVE: Brioni Confirms Fabrizio Malverdi as New CEO



PARIS — Brioni has charged Fabrizio Malverdi, its new chief executive officer, with accelerating the international expansion of the elite Italian tailor following a period of turmoil, WWD has learned.

Brioni parent Kering said Malverdi, most recently ceo of Agent Provocateur, would assume the management helm on April 18 and report to Jean-François Palus, Kering's group managing director.

This confirms a report in WWD on Feb. 28 that Malverdi was in line to succeed Gianluca Flore, who exited the role last month.

Malverdi is perhaps best known for his stints as managing director of Dior Homme and as ceo of Givenchy, where he accrued expertise in the high-end men's wear market.

At Brioni, he will be tasked with repositioning the brand and bringing stability. The company has been in a state of flux after going through two creative directors in less than a year, confounding some customers and retailers. Issues linked to positioning, pricing and communication also weighed on the brand, as did a rationalization of its workforce at its headquarters in Penne, Italy.

Flore, a former Bottega Veneta executive, joined Brioni in November 2014 and handpicked Brioni's former creative director Justin O'Shea, a women's retail executive who had no design experience. O'Shea abruptly departed the company last October after only six months. During his brief tenure, he steered Brioni away from its heritage and made changes that observers believed were not in sync with the brand, such as tapping Metallica for the label's fall 2016 ads.

An Italian national, Malverdi has an international profile. He became managing director of Dior Homme in 2011, marching the brand further upscale; ramping up selections of formalwear, leather goods and shoes, and expanding the brand's store

He spent a decade at LVMH Moët Hennessy Louis Vuitton, recruited from the Mariella Burani Fashion Group to become managing director of John Galliano. Malverdi left John Galliano to become ceo of Givenchy, which logged strong sales and profitability under his leadership, before returning to Dior.

An ebullient and driven executive, Malverdi started his fashion career in Italy working with brands including Vivienne Westwood, Martin Margiela and Calvin Klein Collection at Staff International.

Last year, Malverdi joined Agent Provocateur and immediately started making plans to steady the business, closing underperforming stores, laying off staff and phasing down its diffusion line, L'Agent.

Earlier this month, Agent Provocateur found a new owner in Four Holdings, the London-based fashion distribution and retail company.

The ailing luxury lingerie brand was placed into administration, or bankruptcy protection, shortly before the sale, as reported.