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Please see below the first of our monthly updates on the latest people moves within the EMEA investment management industry. Please do get in contact with the team if you would like to discuss any topics relating to talent in the investment or wealth management areas.

- **Aberdeen Standard Investments'** Head of Fund of Funds Portfolio Management, **Joe Wiggins**, is **stepping down** from his role.
- **Allianz Global Investors'** Global Macro Portfolio Manager, **Kacper Brzezniak**, is **leaving** the firm. In addition, **Gregor Hirt** has been appointed as **Global Chief Investment Officer for Multi Asset**. Furthermore, **Gaurav Saroliya** and **Joe Pak** have been appointed as **Portfolio Managers for Macro Unconstrained Fixed Income**.
- **Arch Capital Group** has appointed **Christine Todd** as **Chief Investment Officer**. Christine was formerly Head of Fixed Income at Amundi US.
- **Artemis Investment Management** has appointed **Rosalie Brown** as **Sales Director for Strategic Alliances**. Rosalie was formerly Sales Manager at Allianz Global Investors.
- **AssetCo** has hired **Gary Collins** as **Head of Distribution**. Gary joins from Columbia Threadneedle Investments where he was most recently Head of Distribution EMEA and LatAm.
- **Aubrey Capital** has appointed **David Neilson** as **Investment Manager** for its **Private Client Team**. David was most recently Investment Manager at Cornelian Asset Managers.
- **Aviva Investors** has named Legal & General Investment Management's Head of Defined Contribution, **Emma Douglas**, as **Managing Director of Workplace Savings**. In addition, as **Mark Robertson exits** the business, **Ian Pizer** has been promoted to **Head of Multi-Strategy Funds**.
- **AXA Investment Managers** has promoted **Olivier Eugène** to **Head of Climate Research** and has hired **Liudmila Strakodonskaya** as an **ESG Analyst**. Liudmila was most recently an ESG / SRI Analyst at ELEVA Capital.
- **BNP Paribas Asset Management** has promoted **Olivier de Larouzière** from Head of Global Multi Strategy to **Chief Investment Officer for Global Fixed Income**. Olivier will retain his responsibilities as Head of Global Multi Strategy Team. In addition, **Frédéric Janbon** is **leaving** the business, with **Sandro Pierri** replacing him as **Chief Executive Officer**. Furthermore, **Renaud Dumora** has been named as **Deputy Chief Operating Officer**.
- **Bowmore Asset Management** has appointed **Jonathan Webster-Smith** as **Managing Director and Chief Investment Officer**. Jonathan was most recently Director and Head of Multi-Asset at Brooks Macdonald.
- **Brooks Macdonald** has promoted **Andrew Shepherd** from Deputy CEO to **Chief Executive Officer**, as **Caroline Connellan** departs. In addition, **Richard Hughes** has been promoted from Deputy CEO International to **Chief Executive Officer** of Brooks Macdonald's international business.
- **Candriam** has promoted **Paulo Salazar** from EM Equity Analyst and Portfolio Manager to **Co-Head of Emerging Markets Equity** as **Jan Boudewijns** retires in 2022.
- **Capital Group** has appointed **Tri Huynh** as **Managing Director, Financial Intermediaries**. Tri was previously Head of Strategic Partnerships at Artemis Investment Management.
- **Close Brothers Asset Management** has appointed **Tristan Robinson** as **Investment Director**. Tristan joins from Brown Shipley where he was a private client manager.
- **Cohen & Steers** has appointed **Sean Cooney** as **Senior Director of EMEA Wholesale Distribution**. Sean was formerly Client Director at GAM Investments.
- **Danske Bank** has hired **Gustaf Sjöström** and **Annica Hagberg** as **Chief Fund Analysts**. Gustaf joins from Skandia where he was a portfolio manager, and Annica joins in August from Folksam where she is a fund selection manager.
- **Federated Hermes** has appointed Jupiter Asset Management's Sales Director, **Mike Daly**, as **Sales Director**.

- **Fidelity International** has appointed **Rosanna Burcheri** as **US Portfolio Manager** as **Angel Agudo** leaves the firm. Rosanna joins from Artemis Investment Management. Additionally, **Gabriel Wilson-Otto** has been appointed as **Director of Sustainable Investing**.
- **Frostrow Capital** has appointed JP Morgan Asset Management's Managing Director, **Richard Plaskett**, as **Head of Investment Companies**.
- **GAM** has appointed Franklin Templeton's Head of Wholesale for Southeast Asia, **Terence Bong**, as **Head of Singapore**.
- **Goldman Sachs Asset Management** has appointed **Jen Sisson** as **Head of Stewardship EMEA**. Jen joins from Financial Reporting Council where she was most recently Deputy Director of Stakeholder Engagement and Corporate Affairs.
- **Gresham House's** Portfolio Manager and Managing Director, **Richard Staveley**, has **resigned** with immediate effect.
- **Janus Henderson's** Head of Global Bonds, **Nick Maroutsos**, is taking a **career break** from 1 October.
- **JP Morgan Chase's** portfolio manager, **Ido Eisenberg**, has **left** the business.
- **Jupiter Asset Management** has promoted **David Lewis** to **Co-Head of Strategy**, **Algy Smith-Maxwell** to **Research Director**, **Amanda Sillars** to **ESG Director**, and **George Fox** to **Assistant Fund Manager**.
- **La Maison de Gestion** has appointed **Alexandre Ferci** as **Portfolio Manager - Director**. Alexandre joins from ACTIS Asset Management where he was most recently a Senior Portfolio Manager.
- **Legal & General Investment Management** has temporarily promoted **Rita Butler-Jones** and **Stuart Murphy** to **Head of DC Sales** and **Head of DC Client Management**, respectively.
- **Lombard Odier** has appointed **Gilles Prince** as **Executive Vice President**. Gilles was most recently Chief Investment Officer of Private Banking Switzerland at Edmond de Rothschild.
- **M&G Investments** has appointed **Paul Faragher** as **Sales Director** within its UK Wholesale Distribution team. Paul was the former Sales Manager at Jupiter Asset Management.
- **Majedie's** fund manager, **Mark Wharrier**, has **left** the business. In addition, **Mike Totton** has stepped down from the LF Majedie UK Income Fund but will remain with the firm.
- **Man Group** has appointed **Manuele de Gennaro** as **Head of Sales in Switzerland**. Manuele was previously Country Head of Switzerland at M&G Investments.
- **Manulife Investment Management** has named **Christoph Schumacher** as **Global Head of Real Assets, Private Markets**. Christoph was most recently Global Head of Real Estate at Credit Suisse Asset Management.
- **Northern Trust Asset Management** has appointed Franklin Templeton's Global Head of ESG, **Julie Moret**, as **Global Head of Sustainable Investing and Stewardship**.
- **Pacific Asset Management** has appointed **Dani Saurymper** as **Healthcare Fund Manager**. Dani was most recently Healthcare & Longevity Economy Fund Manager at AXA Investment Managers.
- **Quaero Capital** has appointed **Adrian Bignell** as **Senior Small and Micro-cap Portfolio Manager**. Adrian was formerly a Portfolio Manager at Invesco.
- **Quilter Investments** has appointed **Hinesh Patel** and **Sacha Chorley** as **Portfolio Managers**, replacing **Rasmus Soegaard**, who is **leaving** the business.
- **River & Mercantile** has appointed **Alex Hoctor-Duncan** as **Executive Director**. Alex was most recently Global Head of Aberdeen Standard Investments.
- **Robeco's** Head of Multi Asset, **Jeroen Blokland**, is **leaving** the business with **Ernest Sanichar** taking over as **lead portfolio manager** until a permanent replacement is found.
- **Royal London Asset Management's** Chief Commercial Officer, **Steve Murray**, is **leaving** the business.
- **Russell Investments** has appointed **Kate El-Hillow** as **Global Chief Investment Officer**. In addition, **Pete Gunning** is taking on a new role of **Vice Chairman and Strategic Relationship Manager**. Furthermore, **Kevin Klingert** joins as **President**.
- **SEB's** Multi Asset Portfolio Manager, **Francesco Saleme**, is **leaving** the firm.

- **Standard Life Aberdeen** has appointed former Brooks Macdonald CEO, **Caroline Connellan**, as **CEO of Personal Wealth**.
- **UBS Asset Management** has appointed **Michael Baldinger** as **Chief Sustainability Officer**, and **Chris Greenwald** as **Sustainable Investment Research and Investment Specialist**. In addition, **Phyllis Costanza** has been hired as **Head of Social Impact**. Furthermore, **Jean-Marc Botteri** is joining in August as **Managing Director** within UBS' global financing team.
- **Vontobel** has appointed **Christel Rendu de Lint** as **Deputy Head of Investments and Executive Board Member**. Christel was most recently Head of Fixed Income at Union Bancaire Privée.
- **WHEB Asset Management** has appointed **Victoria MacLean** as **Associate Portfolio Manager**. Victoria was most recently Investment Director at Abrdn.



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