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Please see below a monthly update 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's** Senior Investment Manager, **Jason Day**, has **left** the firm.
- **Allianz Global Investors** has appointed **Matthew Norman** as **Head of Infrastructure Debt Team**, succeeding **Claus Fintzen**, who is **leaving** the firm. Formerly, Matthew was Global Head of Energy and Infrastructure Advisory at Credit Agricole CIB.
- **Apollo** has appointed **Diego De Giorgi** as **Partner and Head of EMEA**. Formerly, Diego was Group Chief Financial Officer at Standard Chartered Bank.
- **AustralianSuper** has promoted **Alex Stanić** from Head of Core Equities to **Head of Fundamental Equities**.
- **Aviva Investors** has appointed **Mark Dove** as **Credit Portfolio Manager**. Formerly, Mark was a Portfolio Manager on Federated Hermes' Fixed Income desks. Additionally, **Emily Symmons** has joined as **Cross-Asset Investment Director** from BlackRock where she was Director, Head of Fundamental Equities Investment Strategy, EMEA.
- **BlackRock** has appointed **Cyprian Njamma** as **Head of Investment Strategy and Client Chief Investment Officer, UK DB Pensions**. Formerly, Cyprian was Executive Director at Goldman Sachs.
- **Blue Whale Growth Fund** has appointed **Harry Steel** as **Head of Institutional Clients**. Formerly, Harry was Head of Investor Relations at QSM Asset Management.
- **BNY Investments** has appointed **Rohan Stewart** as **Head of UK Intermediary Distribution**, as **Michael Beveridge** **retires** in late Q2. Formerly, Rohan was Managing Director, Head of Wealth Distribution at BlackRock.
- **Carmignac** has appointed **Lamine Bougueroua** as **Fund Manager** in its Emerging Market Debt team. Formerly, Lamine was Senior Fund Manager Emerging Markets at UBP.
- **Fidelity International** has appointed **Elly Irving** as **Director of Stewardship**. Formerly, Elly was Director of Stewardship at Lazard Asset Management.
- **Gateway Partners** has appointed **Steen Bruun** as **Investor Relations**. Formerly, Steen was Investor Relations, Capital Raising EMEA at Urban Partners.
- **Guinness Global Investors** has appointed **Craig Veysey** as **Portfolio Manager, Global Fixed Income**. Previously, Craig was Lead Fund Manager and Head of Strategic Bonds at Man GLG.
- **IFM Investors** has appointed **Jeff Chee** as **Global Head of Investment Research**. Formerly, Jeff was Head of Portfolio Strategy at WTW.
- **Invesco** has promoted **Oliver Bilal** from Head of EMEA Distribution to **Head of EMEA**.
- **Janus Henderson Investors** has appointed **Mia Söderberg** as **Client Portfolio Manager – Emerging Markets Debt**. Formerly, Mia was Senior Manager – Asset Manager Selection – Group Investment Management at Munich Re.
- **Lazard Asset Management** has appointed **Gordon McKemie** as **Head of Leveraged Loans and High Yield**. Formerly, Gordon was Managing Director at Blackstone.
- **Liontrust's** Fund Manager and Head of Rates, **Phil Milburn**, is **retiring** at the end of July.
- **London CIV** has appointed **Danny Firth** as **Chief Operating Officer**. Formerly, Danny was COO and CEO at Tesco Pension Investment.
- **Manulife Wealth & Asset Management** has appointed **Liam Spillane** as **Head of Global Emerging Markets Fixed Income**. Formerly, Liam was Head of Emerging Market Debt at Aviva Investors.
- **Morgan Stanley** has appointed **Greg Stevenson** as **Executive Director, Head of EMEA Product Development, Public Markets**. Formerly, Greg was Head of Product Development at Newton Investment Management.
- **Morgan Stanley Investment Management** has appointed **Simon Pearson** as **EMEA Chief Administrative Officer**. Formerly, Simon was EMEA Chief Operating Officer for Multi Asset Solutions at Goldman Sachs.
- **Nuveen** has appointed **Nosheraan Mahmood** as **Director, Insurance Strategy EMEA**. Formerly, Nosheraan was Senior Manager, Investment Strategy / Private Assets at Just Group plc.

- **Ostrum Asset Management** has appointed **Maud Pierre-Minuit** as **Head of Sustainable Transitions**. Formerly, Maud was Senior Manager at I Care.
- **Pacific Asset Management** has appointed **John Feeley** as **Portfolio Manager, US Equities**. Formerly, John was Deputy Chief Investment Officer, Portfolio Manager at Findlay Park Partners LLP.
- **PGIM** has appointed **Sunita Kara** and **Andre Klotz** as **Portfolio Managers** in its European Leveraged Finance Team. Formerly, Sunita was Co-Head of Global High Yield at Aviva Investors, and Andre was Co-Head EMEA High Yield at Jefferies.
- **Rathbones** has appointed **Robert Sears** as **Chief Investment Officer**, replacing **Edward Smith** and **Liz Savage**, who are both **leaving** the firm. Formerly, Robert was Partner, Chief Investment Officer at Capital Generation Partners.
- **Schroders Capital** has promoted **Holly Turner** from Sustainable Investment Lead and Climate Specialist to **Head of Sustainable Investments**.
- **Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Group** has appointed **Stefanie Drews** as **Executive Officer, Global Asset Management Officer**. Stefanie will continue as CEO of Amova Asset Management.
- **T Rowe Price** has appointed **Richard Parkin** as **Head of UK Retirements**. Formerly, Richard was Head of Retirement at BNY.
- **Van Lanschot Kempen Investment Management** has appointed **Michelle Darracott** as **Chief Executive Officer**, effective from April 2026. Formerly, Michelle was Chief Strategy Officer at Smart Pensions.
- **Vanguard** has promoted **Matthew Haigh** from Strategic Account Manager, Institutional Sales to **Head of Adviser Sales, UK**.
- **Vontobel** has promoted **Anthony Corrigan** from Executive Director, Senior Client Portfolio Manager to **Global Head of Consultant Relations**.



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