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5-Year Anniversary of SAM Healthy Living Fund and SAM Climate Fund

- Two equity funds translate megatrends into compelling investment strategies
- Targeted investments in healthy living and climate change solution providers
- Positive economic data have generated strong price gains recently

SAM, the investment boutique focused exclusively on Sustainability Investing, is celebrating the fifth anniversary of the SAM Sustainable Healthy Living and SAM Sustainable Climate funds. Launched on March 30, 2007, the products focus on companies that address two of the defining global challenges of our time: rising healthcare costs (resulting from widespread obesity, an aging population and the growth of chronic diseases) and climate change.

Rainer Baumann, Head of Portfolio Management, SAM: *“Exploding healthcare costs and climate change are two of the defining trends that will fundamentally alter our society in future decades. The two anniversary funds launched five years ago testify to SAM’s continuing efforts as a pioneer in Sustainability Investing. The Sustainable Healthy Living Fund and the Sustainable Climate Fund anticipate future developments and invest in solution providers, offering investors access to attractive potential returns.”*



Investment concept: SAM Sustainable Healthy Living Fund

Potential returns of this strategy result from global trends such as widespread obesity, an aging population and the increase of chronic diseases. In light of exploding healthcare costs, governments and corporations are escalating their investments in preventative care. Furthermore, individuals are increasingly concerned with maintaining and improving their health. Thus, the fund invests in companies that offer innovative, competitive and marketable solutions in the areas of **nutrition, physical activity** and **personal care**. Click [here](#) to learn more about the investment strategy.



Investment concept: SAM Sustainable Climate Fund

Climate change alters business and investment parameters, with companies and investors being directly or indirectly affected by efforts to drive down CO₂ emissions or to address the effects of climate change. SAM makes targeted investments in product or service providers that will profit from the drive to lower greenhouse gas emissions or to adapt to new climate conditions. The fund invests in cutting-edge companies in the areas of **environmental protection, energy efficiency, power generation & transmission**, as well as **adaption and response to the physical impacts of climate change**. Click [here](#) to learn more about the investment strategy.

Strong recent price gains

The Sustainable Healthy Living Fund has achieved a strong relative outperformance of 6.06%* versus its reference index MSCI World Total Return Net over five years. Recent favorable global economic data have fueled both funds' performance. Over the past six months, the Sustainable Healthy Living Fund continued to generate a robust performance of +10.34%* while the SAM Sustainable Climate Fund achieved a gain of as much as 17.97%*. These returns testify to the funds' strategic positioning and the investment expertise of SAM's analysts and portfolio managers.

Investments in pioneers and market leaders

The performance of the two funds underscores the growth potential of companies that offer future-oriented solutions to global challenges. Drawing on SAM's research expertise, both funds invest in innovative companies worldwide that offer strong growth potential. They consider only those companies that have superior technologies and market positions as well as solid balance sheets and stable cash flows.

The SAM Sustainable Healthy Living Fund at a glance

Launch date:	3/30/2007
Fund size (as of March 31, 2012):	EUR 186.62 mn.
Base currency:	EUR
Fund manager:	Martin Jochum
Denominations:	EUR, USD
Benchmark:	MSCI World Total Return Net (EUR)
Unit type:	Accumulation
Securities codes (B share class):	LU0280770768 (ISIN), 2844721 (Valor)
Management fee (B share class):	1.5% p.a.
TER (Total Expense Ratio – B share class):	2.11%
Morningstar rating	★★★★

The SAM Sustainable Climate Fund at a glance

Launch date:	3/30/2007
Fund size (as of March 31, 2012):	EUR 72.59 mn.
Base currency:	EUR
Fund manager:	Michael Riley, CFA, CPA
Denominations:	EUR, CHF, GBP, USD
Benchmark:	MSCI World Total Return Net (EUR)
Unit type:	Accumulation
Securities codes (B share class):	LU0280770172 (ISIN), 2844001 (Valor)
Management fee (B share class):	1.5% p.a.
TER (Total Expense Ratio – B share class):	2.10%

* (in EUR, for B share class, net performance as of March 31, 2012)

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SAM is an investment boutique focused exclusively on Sustainability Investing. The firm's offering comprises asset management, indexes, private equity and sustainability benchmarking services. Its asset management capabilities include a range of sustainability theme and broad ESG integrated investment strategies catering

to institutional asset owners and financial intermediaries internationally. SAM partners with Dow Jones Indexes in the publication of the globally recognized Dow Jones Sustainability Indexes (DJSI). Based on its Corporate Sustainability Assessment, SAM has compiled one of the most comprehensive sustainability databases and analyzes over 2,000 listed companies annually. SAM's proprietary research and sustainability insight - through its direct contact with companies - are fully integrated into its offering.

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SAM was founded in 1995 on the conviction that corporate commitment to sustainability practices enhances a company's capacity to prosper, ultimately creating stakeholder value. As a reflection of its own commitment to advocating sustainable investment practices, SAM is a signatory of the UNPRI and a member of Eurosif, Asria and Ceres. SAM is headquartered in Zurich and employs over 100 professionals. As of December 31 2011, SAM's assets under management and advice amounted to a total of USD 11.4 billion.

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