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Aris Prepoudis appointed new CEO of RobecoSAM

RobecoSAM, the investment specialist focused exclusively on Sustainability Investing (SI), today announced that its Board of Directors has appointed Aris Prepoudis as CEO from January 1, 2017, subject to FINMA approval. He will take over from Reto Schwager, who has led the company as interim CEO since August 2016. Schwager will continue to perform as Global Head of Private Equity and a member of the Executive Committee.

Albert Gnägi, PhD, Chairman of the Board of Directors, RobecoSAM: “The Board of Directors is delighted to appoint Aris Prepoudis as the new CEO for RobecoSAM. Prepoudis brings to the company the ideal set of skills, an entrepreneurial mindset and a passion for Sustainability Investing. These qualities will be instrumental for continuing innovation and fostering profitable growth opportunities at RobecoSAM. The Board of Directors would also like to thank Reto Schwager for his commitment as RobecoSAM’s CEO ad interim, and for providing consistent leadership during the transition.”

Aris Prepoudis, appointed CEO, RobecoSAM: “I am proud and honored to be named as CEO of RobecoSAM, the pioneer and global leader in Sustainability Investing for over two decades. I am looking forward to shaping the SI landscape by delivering cutting-edge asset management solutions to our clients. As the CEO, I will focus on profitable growth, further develop our expertise and leverage on the burgeoning interest in Sustainability Investing around the world.”



Aris Prepoudis (biography): A Swiss national, Prepoudis served until recently as CEO of Vescore (formerly Notenstein Asset Management), an asset manager specializing in sustainable and quantitative investments. Previously, he was Head of the Institutional Client Business Unit at Notenstein Privatbank, where he led the consolidation of all the asset management activities of Raiffeisen Switzerland into Notenstein Asset Management. From 2000 to 2013, Prepoudis worked at Bank Sarasin & Cie AG in various senior positions, culminating in the role of Global Head of Institutional Clients. He began his career at STG Cooper & Lybrand (now PwC) and subsequently worked at ATAG Ernst & Young as an audit manager for Swiss Mutual Funds and Banks. Prepoudis holds a Bachelor of Business Administration from the University of Applied Sciences in Basel.

Note to editors: A print-quality photo of Aris Prepoudis can be ordered at com@robecosam.com.

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About RobecoSAM

Founded in 1995, RobecoSAM is an investment specialist focused exclusively on Sustainability Investing. It offers asset management, indices, impact analysis and investing, sustainability assessments, and benchmarking services. Asset management capabilities cater to institutional asset owners and financial intermediaries and cover a range of ESG-integrated investments (in public and private equity), featuring a strong track record in resource efficiency themed strategies. Together with S&P Dow Jones Indices, RobecoSAM publishes the globally recognized Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI). Based on its Corporate Sustainability Assessment (CSA), an annual ESG analysis of over 3,800 listed companies, RobecoSAM has compiled one of the world's most comprehensive databases of financially material sustainability information. The data of the CSA is also included in USD 87.3 billion of assets under management by the subsidiaries of the Robeco Group.

RobecoSAM is a sister company of Robeco, the Dutch investment management firm founded in 1929. Both entities are subsidiaries of the Robeco Group, whose shareholder is ORIX Corporation. As a reflection of its own commitment to advocating sustainable investment practices, RobecoSAM is a signatory of the UNPRI and a member of Eurosif, ASrIA and Ceres. Approximately 130 professionals work for RobecoSAM, which is headquartered in Zurich. As of June 30, 2016, RobecoSAM had assets under management, advice and/or license in listed and private equity* of approximately USD 10.8 billion.

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