

Press Release

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Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking boosts its Asia-Pacific ETF team with senior appointment

Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking (SG CIB), part of the Société Générale Group, is pleased to announce the appointment of Joseph Ho as Managing Director, Head of Exchange Traded Funds (ETF) Sales and Marketing, based in Hong Kong. He is responsible for expanding the bank's ETF business across the Asia-Pacific region including opening up new markets and developing new products.

Joseph joins SG CIB from Barclays Global Investors (BGI) where he spent the last eight years as the Regional Director for North Asia and later, Head of BGI's iShares ETF business in Asia ex-Japan. Joseph has over 25 years of experience in the asset management industry covering the region having worked in Hong Kong, Japan and Taiwan. He started his career as a portfolio manager and has since expanded his responsibilities to cover product and business development as well as sales and marketing.

SG CIB is currently Asia's largest issuer of ETFs under the brand name of Lyxor Asset Management with seven ETFs listed in Hong Kong and another seven in Singapore. Lyxor Asset Management is a market leader in Europe, currently offering 86 ETFs, commanding 26% of all European ETF assets.

SG CIB has an established reputation for excellence in equity derivatives, having consistently received solid recognition both regionally and globally for its strength in equity derivatives from key industry titles including Risk, AsiaRisk, Finance Asia, The Asset and Global Finance.

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