

First Sentier Investors appoints Head of Distribution in Japan

Friday, 29 April 2022: Leading global investment manager, First Sentier Investors (FSI), today announced the appointment of Hideki Suruga to the role of Head of Distribution, Japan and Representative Director for First Sentier Investors (Japan) Limited, effective 6 May 2022.

Mr Suruga will be based in the Tokyo office, and he will oversee the distribution efforts in the country, including building the firm's client base and increasing engagement and collaboration opportunities with its shareholder Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation, Inc (The Trust Bank).

Prior to FSI, Mr Suruga worked at Mitsubishi UFJ Kokusai Asset Management (MUKAM) as Managing Executive Officer, and Head of Products. Mr Suruga has spent most of his career in domestic and global capital markets as well as working at the investment banking business with roles at the former Bank of Tokyo (currently MUFG Bank), the Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd and Mitsubishi UFJ Securities Group.

FSI Global Head of Distribution, Harry Moore, welcomed Mr Suruga to the team. "Over the past few years, we have been heavily focused on developing our client base in Japan. Hideki will play an important role in supporting this growth.

"The network and shareholder collaboration opportunities present important growth prospects for our business. This is demonstrated by the Trust Bank's support for Igneo Infrastructure Partners (formerly known as the Unlisted Infrastructure team) and FSSA Investment Managers' Japan equity strategy in the past couple of years."

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About First Sentier Investors

First Sentier Investors manages US\$174.2 billion in assets (as at 31 March 2022) on behalf of institutional investors, pension funds, wholesale distributors, investment platforms, financial advisers and their clients worldwide.

The firm operates as a standalone global investment management business with offices across Europe, the Americas, and Asia Pacific. First Sentier Investors' expertise spans a range of asset classes and specialist investment sectors focused on delivering sustainable investment success based on responsible investment principles.

Formerly known as First State Investments, the firm was acquired by Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group, Inc in August 2019.

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