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SOCIETE GENERALE CORPORATE & INVESTMENT BANKING CONTINUES STRENGHTHENING ASIA CASH EQUITY COVERAGE WITH APPOINTMENT OF CRAIG HARVEY

Societe Generale Corporate & Investment Banking strengthens its Cash Equity Asia coverage with the appointment of **Craig Harvey** as London-based Sales Trader, responsible for the Pan-Asian sales trading activity in Europe.

Craig joins from Mizuho International, where he spent five years and most recently headed the Pan-Asian sales trading team; his involvement with Asian equities dates back to 1984. He reports to Mark Rice, Global Head of Sales Trading and Matthew Perry, co-Head of Execution Services Asia. Craig's hire follows other recent appointments made this year to strengthen the bank's Asia Cash Equity business:

Gary Leong joined the Hong Kong Sales Trading team as a Director previously from Barclays Capital. **Neil McCann** joined as a Director in the Hong Kong Sales Trading from Mirabaud Securities Asia. **John Takeoka** joined the Japan Sales Trading team as a Vice President from Nomura. **Kennie Atle Johansen** joined the Principal Trading and Facilitation team in Hong Kong as a Director from Octis Asset Management.

As well as the full-service sales-trading capability now in place across Asia and the recent enhancement of trading in Japan it has been just over a year since the start of the alliance between the bank and Ji Asia (the former Japaninvest, which now covers Asian as well as Japanese equities). This combination has resulted in a unique research and execution offering to clients from the bank and Ji Asia as well as a global integrated offering including derivatives across all execution products and worldwide markets (See Notes to Editors).

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Biography:

Craig Harvey joins Societe Generale Corporate & Investment Banking as Sales Trader for Asia within the bank's execution services business. He will be responsible for managing the Pan Asian sales trading activity in Europe. Craig started his career at Robert Fleming in 1984 trading warrants and equities during his 11 years there. Over the next two years he worked for Sumitomo Trust International and Daishin International. In 1997 he joined Deutsche Bank to head the Japanese Sales Trading desk, which subsequently became Pan-Asian. From 2006 he headed the Pan-Asian Sales Trading desk at Mizuho International.

Notes to Editors:

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Ji ASIA's analyst team operating from Tokyo and Hong Kong has covered over 600 Asia stocks including Japan since inception, providing coverage of major blue chips and growth mid caps, supplemented by update coverage on over 200 small caps per annum.

Clients also benefit from Ji ASIA's full service research sales desks in London, New York, Tokyo and Hong Kong.

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These services are backed up by a team of experienced sales-traders based in Tokyo, Hong Kong, Seoul, Mumbai and London, who benefit from a sophisticated algorithmic trading platform with a proven track record and access to multiple sources of liquidity including SG CIB's own Alpha-x crossing network.

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