Man Group Doubles ESG Heads

Stockholm (HedgeNordic) - Man Group, one of the leading global hedge fund managers announced a new Co-Head of Responsible Investment. Jason Mitchell (pictured), previously Sustainability Strategist at the firm and member of the Responsible Investment Committee, will join Steven Desmyter who was heading the entire responsible investment department on his own until now, in addition to his role as head of the EMEA sales team, which includes the Nordic region.

The appointment will allow Man Group to accelerate its expansion into additional responsible investment products and themes, as well as strengthen the firm's ongoing effort to improve the sustainability of its existing offering. One of Mitchell's roles will be to direct the development of impact, thematic and norms-based strategies while acting as an advisor to the funds featuring ESG, impact investing, engagement and norms-based screening in their strategy. Meanwhile, Desmyter will continue to oversee the firm's client service and corporate-level responsible investment activities.

"Responsible Investing is increasingly important to our business and we see growing client demand for sustainable investment strategies. Jason's promotion recognises his long-standing committment to sustainability and contribution to the firm in this area," Sandy Rattray, Man Group's Chief Investment Officer, says in a press release.

"Jason has unique expertise in sustainable and impact investing, and I look forward to continuing to work alongside him to enhance Man Group's efforts across various areas of our business, ranging from investment management and client services, to stewardship and corporate engagement activities", Desmyter welcomes Mitchell's assignment.