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Sander van Eijkern steps down from the Management Board of Robeco and as CEO of SAM

Sander van Eijkern steps down as Member of the Management Board of Robeco as of February 1st, 2010 as a consequence of a difference of opinion with respect to the future strategy of Robeco. The responsibilities of Van Eijkern as a member of the Management Board of Robeco will be taken over by its other five members. Van Eijkern will remain a member of the Supervisory Board of Robeco's subsidiary Transtrend.

At the same time Sander van Eijkern will step down as CEO of SAM. Stephanie Feigt and Michael Baldinger, currently CIO and Head Global Clients & Marketing at SAM respectively, will jointly pick up the responsibility of CEO of SAM during the process of appointing a successor. Leni Boeren will become responsible for SAM on the Management Board of Robeco.

Sander van Eijkern: "I have enjoyed working for Robeco while professionalizing the fixed income operation and pioneering Robeco's moves into alternative and sustainable investments. I am proud of the acquisitions of Transtrend and SAM. It has been a pleasure to work with so many passionate professionals whom I thank for their dedication."

Roderick Munsters, CEO Robeco: "Given our differing opinions about Robeco's future strategy we have agreed to go our separate ways. Following this, Robeco will downsize its Management Board to five members. I thank Sander for all he has done for our company. Lastly, it goes without saying, that SAM as a brand, its unique people and investment capabilities remain of high strategic relevance for Robeco."

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About SAM

SAM is an investment boutique focused exclusively on Sustainability Investing. The firm's offering comprises asset management, indexes and private equity. Its asset management capabilities include a range of single-theme, multi-theme and core sustainability investment strategies catering to institutional asset owners and financial intermediaries in Europe, the United States, Asia-Pacific and the Middle East.

Through its index activities, SAM has partnered with Dow Jones Indexes and STOXX Limited for the publication and licensing of the globally recognized Dow Jones Sustainability Indexes (DJSI) as well as customized sustainability benchmarks. Furthermore, SAM is the center of expertise for clean tech private equity within Robeco.

Based on its Corporate Sustainability Assessment, SAM has compiled one of the world's largest sustainability databases and analyzes over 1,200 listed companies annually. SAM's proprietary research and sustainability data are fully integrated into its offering.

SAM is a member of Robeco, which was established in 1929 and offers a broad range of investment products and services worldwide. Robeco is a subsidiary of the AAA-rated Rabobank Group.

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SAM was founded in 1995, is headquartered in Zurich and employs over 100 professionals. As of December 31, 2009, SAM's total assets amount to US\$ 14.8 billion.

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