

# Ausbil appoints new Head of ESG Research

## Media release

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Ausbil Investment Management is pleased to announce that Måns Carlsson-Sweeny has commenced as Head of ESG Research.

Måns has had an impressive career history, most recently as Senior ESG Research Analyst at AMP Capital, following positions at Carnegie Investment Bank, Macquarie European Infrastructure Fund and Accenture. Måns has an excellent track record and is well known for producing and presenting consistent, high-quality ESG research covering the Australian market and he has also published numerous, highly regarded insight papers on ESG issues.

Ausbil has traditionally had a very strong ESG focus. It is a central plank of the Ausbil investment process and the recent appointment of Måns will further strengthen this capability. The Firm is also in the process of signing up to the United Nations' Principles for Responsible Investment (UNPRI).

"I am delighted to be joining the vibrant Ausbil group, which has a demonstrated high regard for the principles of active ownership with regard to environmental, social and governance issues," said Måns.

"The relevance and importance of ESG research continues to grow rapidly and Ausbil is ideally placed to capture the Australian market's enormous appetite for well executed decisions based on the highest standards of corporate governance, social awareness and environmental preparedness," said Måns.

Ross Youngman, Head of Institutional Business, said Ausbil had already received excellent feedback from the marketplace about the appointment of Måns.

"Måns' appointment underlines Ausbil's ever-growing commitment to the ESG area, particularly with regard to proprietary ESG research. We will be ratcheting up our interaction with all stakeholders in the ESG area to add value in terms of ESG investment solutions," said Ross.

Ross Youngman is also a previous member of the Management Committee of the Australian Investor Group on Climate Change. His valuable experience dovetails nicely with the continuing enhancement of Ausbil's ESG capabilities.

#### Background:

Ausbil Investment Management Limited is a leading Sydney-based Australian equities specialist. Established in 1997, Ausbil's core business is the management of Australian equities for major superannuation funds, institutional investors, master trust and retail clients. Ausbil is owned by its employees and New York Life Investment Management, which has more than US\$500 billion in assets under management and a number of boutique affiliates including Candriam Investors Group and Mackay Shields. Both of which manage ESG screened portfolios. European-based Candriam has US\$90 billion in assets under management and is particularly well-credentialed in the ESG arena, with its long-established, dedicated ESG approach and stand-alone specialist ESG research team.

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