



Ossiam Hires Product Specialist for German-speaking Countries

Paris, July 12th 2017 – Ossiam, the smart beta specialist fund manager and affiliate of Natixis Global Asset Management (Natixis), has expanded its team with the appointment of Mirko Jungmann as product specialist for Austria, Switzerland and Germany.

Prior to joining Ossiam, Mr Jungmann was a senior consultant at Capco Germany, and a senior investment consultant at Mercer Investments (Germany), where he advised clients on long-term investment strategies and asset manager selection for single mandates.

Earlier in his career he was an investment specialist in the asset management division of Öffentliche Versicherung* Braunschweig from 2008 to 2012, where portfolio optimisation of the insurance company's active-passive exposure and benchmarking were two areas of particular focus for him.

Mr Jungmann is a CFA charterholder and doctoral candidate at the Institute of Finance at Technische Universität Braunschweig. He is a graduate in aerospace engineering and business management of the Technische Universität Braunschweig. For this role, Mr Jungmann is based in Frankfurt (a.M.), where he will support the Natixis distribution team.

Bruno Poulin, CEO of Ossiam, said, *"We warmly welcome Mirko to the Ossiam team, where he will increase our coverage of German-speaking markets. These countries are advanced in their demand for both ETFs and smart beta investment strategies. Mirko is highly qualified and experienced to understand these investors' requirements, particularly in the institutional community, and identify how Ossiam strategies could meet their investment objectives. He will also contribute to future product development based on demand from investors in these markets."*

Joerg Knaf, Executive Managing Director at Natixis Global Asset Management - DACH Countries, said "The addition of a German-speaking Product Specialist in Frankfurt underscores the significance of the DACH Region to Natixis's effort to increase its footprint in the local market, and greatly improves our service-offering in the German-speaking region. Our clients have expressedly asked for German-speaking investment specialists and the addition of Mirko very clearly expresses our commitment to serving the needs of the local investor community."

Ossiam's total assets under management were EUR 2.50 bn (GBP 2.2 bn) as of June 30st 2017, including ETFs and direct mandates.

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* **trans.** “insurance company”

About Ossiam

Ossiam is a specialist asset management company that develops and manages investment funds, including exchange-traded funds (ETFs), based on systematic investment processes. Ossiam funds use alternatively weighted indexes – also known as alternative beta or smart beta – applied to a range of financial asset classes. Our ETFs have been listed on major European stock exchanges, including Deutsche Boerse, Borsa Italiana, London Stock Exchange, NYSE Euronext and the SIX Swiss Exchange since 2011. The team behind Ossiam has extensive experience in quantitative research and product design, fund management, trading and risk management.

Ossiam is headquartered in Paris, France, and is an affiliate of Natixis Global Asset Management. The investment company is regulated by the Autorité des marchés financiers (AMF) of France.

* First asset manager to launch an ETF based on a minimum variance strategy

* First asset manager to launch a risk-weighted smart beta commodity ETF

* Global ETF Awards 2015 - Most innovative ETF Europe 2015 (OSSIAM SHILLER BARCLAYS CAPE® EUROPE SECTOR VALUE TR)

* Vwdcash Fundawards 2016 - Best Equity Advanced Europe (OSSIAM STOXX® EUROPE 600 EQUAL WEIGHT NR)

About Natixis Global Asset Management

Natixis Global Asset Management serves thoughtful investment professionals worldwide through our Durable Portfolio Construction® approach: applying risk-minded insights to empower more intelligent investing. Uniting over 20 specialized investment managers globally (\$877 billion AUM¹), Natixis is ranked among the world's largest asset management firms ².

¹ Net asset value as of December 31, 2016. Assets under management (AUM) may include assets for which non-regulatory AUM services are provided. Non-regulatory AUM includes assets which do not fall within the SEC's definition of 'regulatory AUM' in Form ADV, Part 1.

² Cerulli Quantitative Update: Global Markets 2016 ranked Natixis Global Asset Management, S.A. as the 16th largest asset manager in the world based on assets under management (\$870.3 billion) as of December 31, 2015.