

PRESS RELEASE

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Avida International is pleased to announce the appointment of Dorothee Franzen who has joined as a partner.

Bart Heenk, Managing Director said: "We are delighted that Dorothee has joined Avida. She brings a wealth of experience in international pensions to our team." Dorothee will take on a dual role of supporting the team in servicing multi-national companies on cross-border pension investment governance and expanding Avida's footprint into Germany.

Further to her role at Avida she is Director of the 'Allianz-Oxford Pensions Conference' and Visiting Research Associate at the Smith School of Enterprise and the Environment at the University of Oxford. Previously, Dorothee was a Director at Allianz Global Investors where she headed International Pension Research. She managed a broad research programme and helped develop the company's strategic pension policy. Prior to joining Allianz Group in 2001, Dorothee held senior roles at HypoVereinsbank in institutional sales and economic research.

Dorothee Franzen commented: "I'm excited to be working with Avida's experienced team in investment governance. Avida has spearheaded different fiduciary investment services concepts in the Netherlands, which are extremely valuable to multi-national sponsors in other countries too."

About Avida:

Founded in 2006, Avida has built a strong track record for optimising pension funds' investment organisations and improving their relationships with key external service providers such as custodians, investment advisors and asset managers.

Avida advises more than 30 clients in Europe, with assets of around £200bn.

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