

Press Release

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Guinness Global Investors becomes signatory to Stewardship Code

Guinness Global Investors (“Guinness”) announces it has become a signatory to the UK Stewardship Code 2020.

The Financial Reporting Council’s (FRC) UK Stewardship Code 2020 sets high stewardship standards for organisations investing on behalf of UK savers and pensioners, and entities that support them. Stewardship is defined as ‘the responsible allocation, management and oversight of capital to create long-term value for clients and beneficiaries leading to sustainable benefits for the economy, the environment and society’.

To become a signatory to the Code, organisations must submit their Stewardship Report to the FRC, and demonstrate how they have applied the Code’s Principles during the previous 12 months. The FRC assesses the report and if it meets expectations, the organisation will be listed as a signatory to the Code. Once listed, organisations must report annually to remain signatories.

Edward Guinness, Chief Executive Officer, Guinness Global Investors said:

“Exemplary stewardship has always been at the forefront of how Guinness invests on behalf of our clients around the world. We view the Stewardship Code as a core framework to being responsible and thoughtful stewards of our clients’ assets, and we take our signatory status seriously.”

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About Guinness Global Investors:

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Guinness Global Investors is an independently owned investment management business providing actively managed portfolios across a selection of asset classes, including equity income, growth and specialist thematic equity funds and venture investments.

Guinness' in-house economic, industry and company research allows the fund managers to take an objective view and not be led by the market, combining strategic sector-selection with a fundamental screening process to identify stock opportunities. Guinness integrates analysis of ESG factors into the investment process.

Guinness' equally-weighted funds are not benchmark-constrained, which means fund managers can select stocks without the influence of index weightings and have a high conviction about the stocks in their portfolio.

Guinness Asset Management is 100% owned by its directors and employees.

Guinness Global Investors is a trading name of Guinness Asset Management Ltd. (Company registration 4647882) which is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority.