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## **Laurent Depus appointed Senior Country Manager, Japan, President & Representative Director of Natixis Japan Securities Co., Ltd**



Laurent Depus has been appointed Senior Country Manager, Japan and President & Representative Director of Natixis Japan Securities Co., Ltd. In this role he oversees Natixis' operations in Japan as well as its Representative Office in Korea. He reports to François Riahi, Chief Executive Officer Asia Pacific.

Laurent Depus began his banking career in 1987 at The Chase Manhattan Bank (now JP Morgan Chase) in Luxembourg, Tokyo and London. In 1996 he joined Bank of Nova Scotia (now Scotiabank) in London, before moving to BankBoston, Singapore, as Head of Treasury & FX - Asia hub in 1997.

In 2001 he joined Societe Generale in Tokyo. He served in a number of positions, including COO of Corporate Investment Banking Japan, President & CEO of Societe Generale Securities North Pacific Japan and President & CEO of Societe Generale Trust Bank, and in 2010 was appointed Chief Country Officer, Societe Generale Group Japan. In 2013, he joined SMBC Trust Bank Ltd., Japan, as Chairman and Director, upon the acquisition by SMBC of the Societe Generale Trust license.

Laurent Depus is a graduate of Institut libre Marie Haps, Université catholique de Louvain, Brussels. He is an External Director of the Board at SMBC Trust Bank.

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Natixis is the corporate, investment and financial services arm of Groupe BPCE, the 2nd-largest banking group in France with 36 million clients spread over two retail banking networks, Banque Populaire and Caisse d'Epargne.

With more than 16,000 employees, Natixis has a number of areas of expertise that are organized into three main business lines: Wholesale Banking, Investment Solutions & Insurance, and Specialized Financial Services.

A global player, Natixis has its own client base of companies, financial institutions and institutional investors as well as the client base of individuals, professionals and small and medium-sized businesses of Groupe BPCE's banking networks.

Listed on the Paris stock exchange, it has a solid financial base with a CET1 capital under Basel 3<sup>(1)</sup> of €13.3 billion, a Basel 3 CET1 Ratio<sup>(1)</sup> of 11.5% and quality long-term ratings (Standard & Poor's: A / Moody's: A2 / Fitch Ratings: A).

<sup>(1)</sup> Based on CRR-CRD4 rules published on June 26, 2013, including the Danish compromise - no phase-in except for DTAs on loss carry-forwards

Figures as at September 30, 2014