

Press Release

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Société Générale Cross Asset Research strengthens its Fixed Income and Forex strategy team

Société Générale Cross Asset Research strengthens its Fixed Income and Forex Strategy team with the following new appointments in London:

- **Mark Capleton** joins as Head of UK Rates Strategy and Global Inflation-Linked Strategy. He joins from RBS where he was heading European rates research.
- **Valentin Marinov** joins as Senior Forex Strategist. His main focus will be G10 FX research. He joins from Commerzbank where he worked as a senior Forex strategist.

Both will report to Vincent Chaigneau, Head of Fixed Income and Forex Strategy.

Biographies

Mark Capleton

Mark Capleton joins as Head of UK Rates Strategy and of Global Inflation-Linked Strategy. He worked previously at RBS where he ran European Rates research for four years. Mark began his career in 1981, working as a fixed income fund manager for Sun Life of Canada. In 1986 he joined Invesco as a fixed income fund manager until 1992, when he joined Barclays. He has also held senior rates research roles at HSBC and Morgan Stanley. Mark holds a BSc in Economics and Statistics from University College London

Valentin Marinov

Valentin Marinov joins as Senior Forex Strategist. Before joining Société Générale Cross Asset Research teams, Valentin Marinov worked at Dresdner Kleinwort as a Senior Forex strategist from 2005 to 2009. From September 2009 to January 2010, he worked at Commerzbank AG as a Senior Forex Strategist. Valentin Marinov graduated from Frankfurt University where he received a Phd in Finance and Economics

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