

# **Press Release**

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# Societe Generale Cross Asset Research appoints Heads of **Emerging Markets & FX strategy**

Societe Generale Cross Asset Research has strengthened its Emerging Markets and FX Strategy teams in London with the following appointments:

Benoit Anne joined the bank at the end of June as Head of EM Strategy. He will be based in London and reports to Benoit Hubaud, Head of Macro Strategy. Benoit brings with him a wealth of experience in macro strategy and in his new role he will be responsible for developing and enhancing the research on emerging markets strategy platform.

Benoit joins from Bank of America-Merrill Lynch where he was Head of EMEA and LatAm FX and Debt Strategy. Prior to this, he worked at the International Monetary Fund in Washington as an economist.

Kit Juckes joined the bank in early June as Global Head of Foreign Exchange Strategy. Kit will be responsible for leading the expansion of the research on global forex strategy. Based in London, Kit will report to Benoit Hubaud, Head of Macro Strategy.

Kit joins from the ECU Group, a London-based currency management boutique, where he was Chief Economist. Prior to this, Kit was Global Head of Research at RBS and he has over 25 years' experience analysing financial markets.

Both these appointments further strengthen Societe Generale's global research capabilities in key sectors.

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#### **Biography**

#### **BenoitAnne**

Benoit Anne joins from Bank of America-Merrill Lynch where he was the Head of EMEA FX and Debt Strategy and Research and was also responsible for the Global emerging markets Quant strategy. Benoit joined Merrill Lynch in May 2005 as an Emerging Markets Sovereign Debt Strategist. Prior to this, he was an Economist on the African Desk at the IMF in Washington and at the Institute of International Finance as an Economist covering Africa and the Middle East. Benoit started his career at the French Embassy in Pakistan as an Economist

#### Kit Juckes

Kit Juckes joins from ECU Group, a London based currency management boutique where he was the Chief Economist. Prior to this, Kit worked at RBS Global Banking & Markets as Global Head of Research from July 2007 to July 2009 and previously as Head of Credit Research following RBS's takeover of NatWest Markets in 2001 where he was the Head of Bond and Currency Strategy. Kit has over 25 years experience having commenced his career in 1985 with MMS Ltd in London and Frankfurt as an Economic Analyst. His other positions included working for Mitsui Bank in London as Treasury Economist and SG Warburg as a Senior Bond Strategist.

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