

Press release

Swiss Structured Products Association (SSPA):

Adrian Steinherr elected as Chairman and Markus Pfister as new member of the Committee

At yesterday's meeting of delegates, the Swiss Structured Products Association SSPA elected Adrian Steinherr (UBS, previously Deputy Chairman) as its new Chairman and Markus Pfister (Vontobel) as a new Committee member. The following individuals were confirmed in office for a further two years: Valentin Vonder Mühl (Deputy Chairman, Banque Pictet & Cie SA), David Schmid (Leonteq Securities AG), Sylveline Besson (CA Indosuez Wealth Management) as well as Irene Brunner (BNP Paribas).

Zurich, 27 September 2019. **Adrian Steinherr** has been a member of the SSPA Committee since 2016. Within the Knowledge Department he has worked to promote the knowledge and understanding of structured products in modern and innovative ways, latterly as Deputy Chairman. He is succeeding Georg von Wattenwyl, who has been a member of the SSPA Committee for 10 years, since 2014 in the office of Chairman, and who will now be concentrating on his tasks and functions for Vontobel and as Chairman of the Swiss Chamber of Commerce in Singapore. "Georg worked with commitment and determination to open the Association up throughout Switzerland as well as across the entire value chain, and has provided significant impetus to the further democratisation of structured products. We greatly valued his valuable contributions to the work of the Association, and wish him every success in his future professional career. I thank our members and my colleagues on the Committee for the confidence they have shown in me. I am looking forward to heading the SSPA as a broadly-recognised industry association, and together with Committee team members to representing and continuing to develop the interests of the structured product industry," said the newly-appointed Chairman Adrian Steinherr.

Markus Pfister, Vontobel, has been newly elected to the SSPA Committee. He has worked in the derivatives and structured products field for over 20 years, since 1 January 2019 as Chief Operating Officer of Vontobel's Investment Banking Unit. Pfister heads the SSPA Risk Commission, and has already provided support in a wide variety of projects. "I am delighted that we have been able to attract Markus to the Committee. He is an extremely dedicated and experienced member who is already familiar with the Association's processes and has supported the interests of the sector for many years," said Adrian Steinherr about the new member of the Committee.

The delegates confirmed the previous Committee members David Schmid (Leonteq Securities AG), Sylveline Besson (CA Indosuez Wealth Management) and Valentin Vonder Mühl (Banque Pictet & Cie SA) in office for two further years. Valentin Vonder Mühl has been appointed as the new Deputy Chairman. Irene Brunner (BNP Paribas), who succeeded Thomas Schmidlin (previously Credit Suisse) in June, was formally confirmed in office.

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About structured products

Structured products are investment instruments publicly issued by an issuer whose redemption value is derived from the performance of one or more underlying securities. Equities, interest rates, foreign exchange or commodities such as gold or oil may serve as underlying securities.

About the Association

The Swiss Structured Products Association (SSPA) is the first port of call for all questions associated with structured products. It represents the collective interests of the key market players who bring together over 95 percent of the market volume for structured products in Switzerland. The headquarters of the association are located in Zurich. Further information is available at www.svsp-verband.ch.