

PRESS RELEASE

# SYZ Asset Management renames European market neutral quantitative strategy fund "OYSTER Equity Premia Europe"

Geneva, 04 October 2018 - SYZ Asset Management ("SYZ AM"), the institutional asset management arm of the SYZ Group, is relabelling the OYSTER Market Neutral Europe as the OYSTER Equity Premia Europe and brings the fund's approach in line with the recently launched OYSTER Equity Premia Global fund. Effective 31 August 2018, these changes aim to more accurately reflect the fund's underlying philosophy.

Both funds are managed by SYZ AM's Quantitative Investment Solutions team, which includes Mr. Guido Bolliger, Mr. Claude Cornioley, Co-Heads of Quantitative Investment Solutions, and Mr Benoît Vaucher. The newly renamed *OYSTER Equity Premia Europe* is placed among the top quartile of its peer group<sup>1</sup>.

# SYZ AM risk premia solutions are designed to deliver returns while adopting strong risk control.

While investing in equity premia is nothing new, SYZ AM seeks to 'harvest' inefficiencies in equity markets by adopting a highly liquid, long/short approach, while aiming to maintain a near-zero equity market beta. The Quantitative Investment Solutions team have drawn on their years of investment and academic experience to create robust equity premia, which are the key building blocks of any risk premia strategy.

### Targeting consistent performance over market cycles ...

By actively and dynamically allocating among a pre-defined universe of equity premia, SYZ AM's strategy aims to provide stable, alpha-rich returns over market cycles. With risk management at the core of the investment process, the fund's systematic approach supports the strategy's heavy reliance on data analysis, which is expected to generate both performance and control risk.

#### ... and stable returns in uncertain markets

In a world where finding stable, diversified sources of return is challenging, the SYZ AM risk premia strategy can represent a very compelling proposition. The flexibility offered by equity premia can provide investors with diversification, a lower correlation to broader equity markets and the potential to generate attractive alpha, all of which can serve an important role in a portfolio, in particular during periods when equity drawdowns are significant.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Lipper Peer Group: Lipper Global Alternative Equity Market Neutral

#### Note to the Editor

#### **About SYZ Group**

Founded in 1996 in Geneva, SYZ is a Swiss banking group experiencing strong growth, focusing exclusively on asset management via two complementary business lines: high-level private banking and asset management. SYZ offers private and institutional investors an investment style based on active management and risk management aimed at absolute performance. The Group has substantial equity and enjoys its status as an independent company due to its family shareholding structure.

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## About SYZ Asset Management\*

SYZ Asset Management, the institutional asset management arm of SYZ Group, provides investment solutions to institutional investors and financial intermediaries. Based on a strong conviction approach, its strategies seek to fulfil the portfolio and risk management requirements of demanding investors. SYZ Asset Management offers managed accounts and several ranges of investment funds, among which OYSTER Funds.

SYZ Asset Management was awarded "Best Group over 3 years - Overall Small Company" at the Thomson Reuters Lipper Fund Awards 2018 for France. <a href="https://www.syzassetmanagement.com">www.syzassetmanagement.com</a>

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#### **About OYSTER Funds**

OYSTER is a UCITS investment fund range, developed by SYZ Asset Management to address the needs of a diversified client base, both retail and professional. OYSTER is an open-ended investment company with multiple sub-fund structure, established and regulated in Luxembourg. With a strong focus on performance, this fund range comprises nearly 30 funds, covering a variety of asset classes, markets and investment styles. To satisfy discerning and demanding investors, SYZ Asset Management entrusts management of OYSTER funds' assets to internal and external investment specialists. A number of strategies have resulted in certain funds being the recipients of internationally recognised awards. OYSTER funds are currently registered for public offering and/or distributed in various countries through a varied distribution network, without being open neither to citizens or residents of the USA nor to any other party deemed to be a US person. For information on distribution status of a specific OYSTER fund and/or of its share classes in the country of your domicile, please refer to www.syzassetmanagement.com.

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