



Bank Syz appoints Chief Investment Officer

Geneva, 1 October 2021 – Bank Syz Ltd, the private banking arm of Syz Group, has hired Charles-Henry Monchau as its Chief Investment Officer. He brings with him more than 25 years of international investment management experience, which will be integral in the growth of Bank Syz' thriving discretionary portfolio management (DPM) and advisory services.

Effective October 1, 2021, Monchau leads both the DPM and Advisory departments of Bank Syz. Both Luc Filip, Head of DPM, and Antoine Denis, Head of Advisory, now report to Monchau. Their respective teams enjoy an excellent track record, and Monchau seeks to build on the successful execution of exceptional client outcomes.

Monchau joins Bank Syz from FlowBank, where he was Chief Investment Officer and Chief Commercial Officer. Prior to this, he had been CIO of Al Mal Capital (Dubai Investments), Head of the Asset Allocation Team for the EMEA region at Deutsche Bank and held various C-level positions in Geneva, Zurich, Dubai, Nassau and Paris. Charles-Henry has an Executive MBA from IE Business School and an MSc in Finance from HEC Geneva. He is also a CFA, CMT, CAIA and CIIA charter-holder.

Working actively with Nicolas Syz, Head of Private Banking, this appointment significantly deepens the bank's in-house macroeconomic and investment expertise. Monchau's insights support the team's top-down analytical thinking and tactical asset allocation, which are crucial in navigating clients through these uncertain times and consistently delivering superior performance.

Delivering enhanced outcomes

Bank Syz also benefits from Monchau's analytical skills and experience of the financial markets and their underlying dynamics, while private banking clients will enjoy market-leading research and analysis leveraging his longstanding international exposure.

On his appointment, Monchau said: "Joining such a forward-thinking family owned and managed private bank is a privilege, and I am humbled to have the opportunity to work with Luc and Antoine and their excellent teams. Bank Syz possesses an innate pragmatism and agility to act when it matters. The team is highly skilled and the innovation within the product range is a clear expression of their talent. In a time where there is so much homogeneity within private banking, Syz is continually seeking to innovate, think differently and enhance client outcomes."

Yvan Gaillard, CEO of Bank Syz, added: "We are living in a time of unprecedented economic and monetary conditions. We believe this environment demands an extraordinary level of investment and economic expertise to ensure our clients continue to benefit from value-adding performance. Charles-Henry is a great addition to the team and his analytical approach will be essential in framing and executing our investment proposition over the next decade."

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The group serves clients across four main areas:

- Bank Syz offers private clients a genuine alternative to the traditions of Swiss private banking
- Syz Independent Managers provides the full services of a custodian bank to external asset managers.
- Syz Capital offers investors the opportunity to invest alongside the Syz family in hard to access alternative investments including private markets
- Syz Asset Management primarily invests the assets of Swiss institutional investors in bonds and money market instruments.

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