

PRESS RELEASE

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ING Investment Management appoints Regional Head of Institutional Sales and Business Development

ING Investment Management Asia/Pacific (ING IM) today announced that Bas van Buuren has been appointed as the Regional Head of Institutional Sales and Business Development.

Reporting into Grant Bailey, Regional General Manager of ING IM, Bas will be responsible for leading the institutional sales and business development initiatives across Asia Pacific, managing regional consultants' relationships and client servicing team.

Bas joins the regional team with 13 years of business development experience in asset management industry, with a focus in South Asia and joined ING IM in Europe in 1995, moving to Asia in 2000. Currently, Bas is the CEO of ING IM Singapore, responsible for institutional business development.

Commenting on the appointment, Alan Harden, CEO of ING IM Asia/Pacific, stated: "I'm delighted to have hired Bas who, with his extensive experience in regional institutional business and proven track record, will open new opportunities and drive growth for our investment management franchise in Asia."

Bas acquired his masters degree in econometrics from the University of Groningen in 1995 and his VBA (Dutch equivalent of CFA) in 1999.

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