

Press release

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Omar Shokur to head the Financial Intermediaries department

Omar Shokur has been named head of the Financial Intermediaries department, with effect from 1 March 2010. His experience will enable him to consolidate and develop this market segment for Crédit Agricole Suisse. He replaces Thomas Wittlin, who has taken on broader responsibilities in the Bank.

Mr Wittlin now supervises all Financial Intermediaries relationships in Switzerland as well as Crédit Agricole Suisse's subsidiary in Nassau, for which he will be appointed a member of the Board of Directors this month.

Omar Shokur

Omar Shokur started his career with Crédit Agricole Suisse in 2001 as Senior Project Manager in the Crédit Agricole Private Banking Services logistics centre. He moved to the Capital Markets department in 2007 as Manager of the commodity derivatives section. He was appointed Deputy Head of the Financial Intermediaries department in 2009.

Mr Shokur, 33, earned an MBA from IMD Business School in Lausanne in 2006. He has a Masters in mathematics from Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), awarded under a joint programme with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) in Boston in 2001.

Thomas Wittlin

Mr Wittlin's previous experience includes a period as a CEO in Luxembourg and then as Managing Director of a major bank in Geneva. In 2004 he became Managing Director of Bank Sarasin Europe SA in Luxembourg which was taken over by Crédit Agricole Luxembourg Private Bank in 2007. He was appointed Head of Crédit Agricole Suisse's external managers business in February 2009.

Born in 1957, Mr Wittlin graduated from Haute Etudes Commerciales at Lausanne University in 1979. He earned a Swiss Banking School diploma in 1998 and an Executive MBA in General Management in 2008.

The Financial Intermediaries department

Financial Intermediaries are top-level partners and have been at the heart of Crédit Agricole Suisse's strategy since 2000. They manage the assets of their clients in a B2B (business to business) environment, offering them the experience and know-how of the Bank as well as the strength and excellence of a long-term relationship. As a depositary bank for Financial Intermediaries, Crédit Agricole Suisse gives them access to all the Group's private banking products and services. These partners continue to make their own investment decisions but benefit from relationships with the Bank's specialists, who offer their skills in market analysis and in identifying the best opportunities. The aim is to optimise investment advice as well as risk management. Crédit Agricole Suisse also offers Financial Intermediaries high-quality IT tools tailored to their needs.

About Crédit Agricole Suisse

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