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SOCIETE GENERALE APPOINTS ASHWAN MALHOTRA TO STRENGTHEN ITS CORPORATE CLIENT COVERAGE IN ASIA PACIFIC

Societe Generale Corporate & Investment Banking (SG CIB) is pleased to announce the appointment of **Ashwan Malhotra** as **Managing Director, Client Coverage, Asia Pacific** with immediate effect. Based in Hong Kong, Ashwan reports to Pascal Sefrin, Head of Corporate Client Coverage, Asia Pacific.

Ashwan's key mandate is to further expand the bank's commodity hedging franchise with its corporate clients in Asia Pacific, especially in Japan and India. He works closely with the Commodities team and the other Senior Corporate Bankers in the Client Coverage department, whose mission is to provide large Asian corporate clients with a wide array of advisory, financing and risk management services.

With his extensive experience in the commodities space, Ashwan will help further develop the bank's relationships with existing clients and engage new clients. His appointment will strengthen SG CIB's client coverage in Asia Pacific where the franchise is growing.

Biography:

***Ashwan Malhotra**, has been in Hong Kong for the past 18 years and joins SG CIB from Jefferies where he was Managing Director, responsible for origination, sales and trading of Over-The-Counter (OTC) derivatives and listed futures in commodities. Prior to that, he was Asia Head for Commodities at Prudential-Bache. Starting his career at M.M.Warburg & Co in Hamburg, Ashwan moved to the brokerage field trading grains, sugar, precious metals and oil at Merrill Lynch, before joining Shearson Lehman Brothers in 1982 and was seconded to Japan in 1984 to open their office in the Far East. Ashwan has also represented German companies for trade in Asia and became country representative of Prudential-Bache in India in 1995. He brings with him extensive experience in corporate clients and financial sponsor coverage across Asia including Japan, India and the Middle East.*

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