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RBC BlueBay appoints Saskia Bernhardt as Head of Financial Institutions, Germany and Austria

2 May, 2024 (London): RBC BlueBay Asset Management ("RBC BlueBay") has appointed Saskia Bernhardt as Head of Financial Institutions, Germany and Austria. Saskia will be Munich-based and report to Viola Patock, Head of Northern Europe.

Saskia joins from Lupus Alpha Asset Management AG, where she was a Senior Sales & Relationship Manager for wholesale investors. She previously worked as an Executive Director for 3rd party distribution at Amundi Asset Management. Prior to this, Saskia held different sales roles in Switzerland covering the wholesale segment in the DACH region.

Commenting on this latest hire within the region, Viola said, "Saskia's appointment reflects RBC BlueBay's commitment to strengthening the relationships with key intermediary distributors and delivering optimal outcomes for clients. The financial institutions business is core to RBC BlueBay's growth strategy, and the German and Austrian markets are critical for our success. Saskia comes with extensive experience and deep understanding of local clients. Having her and the existing team on the ground enables us to drive growth through the financial institutions channel and continue to offer long-term value to our clients. We are delighted to have Saskia on board."

Saskia has a Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of Applied Sciences in Frankfurt, Germany and is a certified ESG analyst by the European Federation of Financial Analysts Societies.

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RBC BlueBay's solutions-driven approach means it endeavours to empower clients with the knowledge they need to help shape their investment decisions. It works and evolves with clients, creating and customising investment products that meet their needs.

Responsible investment is embedded across its business. This means it is not just an investment focus but is also ingrained in its client service experience and work to deliver solutions that support real-world impact.

RBC Global Asset Management manages approximately US$419 billion (as at 30/06/2023) in assets and has approximately 1,500 employees.

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