## AFM warns against Okamura Asset Management

The Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets (AFM) is warning consumers not to accept any offers for investment services made by Okamura Asset Management. The AFM believes that Okamura Asset Management is providing investment services in the Netherlands without a licence or exemption. The AFM has received reports from consumers who have been approached by Okamura Asset Management. Providing investment services in the Netherlands without a licence or an exemption constitutes a violation of Article 2:96 of the Act on Financial Supervision [Wet op het financieel toezicht, Wft].

Okamura Asset Management is using, among others, the following details when providing investment services: Address: Shinjuku Park Tower 30th Floor, Nishi-Shinjuku, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo 163-1030. Fax number: +81-344-966-417. E-mail: <a href="mailto:admin@okamuraan.com">admin@okamuraan.com</a> and <a href="mailto:investment@okamuraan.com">investment@okamuraan.com</a>.

The AFM advises consumers wanting to do business with an institution or person to first check the relevant register on the AFM website to see whether the institution or person in question is registered and authorised to offer credit in the Netherlands. The AFM also strongly recommends that consumers consult the warning lists in advance. The three AFM warning lists are available online at <a href="www.afm.nl/warninglists">www.afm.nl/warninglists</a>: (1) institutions and individuals without the licence required by law, (2) institutions which do not issue a prospectus along with their securities as required by law, and (3) institutions against which foreign supervisory authorities have issued warnings. Investors who have any questions or complaints should contact the AFM's Financial Markets Information Line on 0900 5400 540 (0.05 euro per call), or from abroad +31 20 797 3715.

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