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Standard Life Aberdeen

Investor Relations Newsletter

Summer 2020

We hope you are staying safe and well. Below is a roundup of news and insights from across our business that we thought would interest you.

Response to COVID-19

Our operations



Our priority in response to COVID-19 has been the safety and wellbeing of our colleagues, and our ability to continue to serve our clients and customers. You can find our latest COVID-19 statement on our website.

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Corporate announcements

Stephen Bird appointed as Chief Executive Officer



Stephen Bird has taken up the role of Chief Executive Officer, effective from 1 September 2020, following receipt of the relevant regulatory approvals.

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Half year results 2020



We announced our Half year results on 7 August 2020. Copies of the report and slides, as well as a recording of the presentation and the related transcript are available on our website.

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Sale of shares in HDFC Asset Management



In June we sold a further 5.64% stake in HDFC Asset Management for net cash proceeds of £263m. Our remaining shareholding in HDFC AMC is 21.25% as at 30 June 2020.

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Business news – Asset Management

Responsible Investing



ESG considerations have been part of our investment DNA for almost three decades and we continue to enhance our range of capabilities with a number of Sustainability fund launches and investments over the Summer:

[Asian Sustainable Development Equity Fund](#)

[Global Corporate Bond Sustainable and Responsible Investment Fund](#)

[Global Emerging Markets Sustainability Fund](#)

[ASI invest £48m in leading UK smart meter owner](#)

[ASI support social housing with £70m network homes deal](#)

[ASI acquires a 40.4 MW solar portfolio from Green Genius](#)



We also released a series of Responsible Investing podcasts discussing the key themes dominating our industry today – including responsible capital allocation and climate change – and exploring how together, we can invest for a better future.

[Listen to the podcasts](#)

Fund launches and activity



We continued to respond to client and customer demand across our global footprint including:

[ASI bolsters its pooled fund range for defined benefit pension schemes](#)
[European Long Income Real Estate Fund completes first acquisition](#)
[Global Infrastructure Income Fund announces \\$177m IPO](#)
[Growing our presence in the UK equity sector](#)

Business news – Platforms and Wealth

Standard Life adds DFM partners to Elevate platform



Following adviser feedback, Standard Life Elevate, one of our awarding-winning adviser platforms, will offer a range of Direct Fund Managers partners for the first time.

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Standard Life launches new client portal and reporting tools



Standard Life launched a number of new services on its Wrap platform, supporting advisers as well as improving the experience of their clients.

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Advisers optimistic for year ahead despite Covid-19



New research from Standard Life finds most financial advisers are optimistic about the year ahead, despite the COVID-19 pandemic.

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