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Alphinity Investment Management expands team

Sydney, 16 August, 2017 - Alphinity Investment Management, one of Australia's leading fund managers, has grown its Australian and Global Equities Teams with the appointment of two senior analysts.

Reflecting the successful growth of the firm, **Stuart Welch** has been appointed to the newly created role of Senior Research Analyst. Stuart has almost 20 years of Australian and global financial markets experience and a strong academic background. Prior to joining Alphinity, he spent seven years as an Investment Analyst at Fidelity International Australia covering a range of sectors, including healthcare, banks, diversified financials, infrastructure and transport. At Alphinity he will continue to cover health care as well as transport and infrastructure. Stuart has a Bachelor of Business from the University of Technology, Sydney and holds a Masters of Management Studies from Cambridge University, as well as being a CFA charterholder.

Richard Hitchens has been appointed to the existing role of Senior Quantitative Analyst, serving both the Australian and Global Equities teams. He replaces Alphinity veteran Shane Kelly who is relocating to the United Kingdom. Richard is well known to both equities teams having been a service provider to Alphinity for a number of years. Richard has spent the past six years working at Credit Suisse Australia, serving as Director of Quantitative Research from 2014. He qualified as an actuary in 1998 and worked for JB Were, Goldman Sachs JB Were and RBS Australia in a range of roles before joining Credit Suisse. Richard is in the final stages of a Masters Degree in Information and Data Science at UC Berkeley in San Francisco.

Alphinity Lead Portfolio Manager Johan Carlberg said: "We are pleased to have recruited such experienced analysts as Stuart and Richard to Alphinity. Their appointments and the growth of our team are indicative of our success and continued commitment to achieving superior outcomes for our clients.

"I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Shane Kelly for his outstanding contribution. Shane was Alphinity's first employee, joining the company not long after it started in 2010, and he will also be Alphinity's first ever staff departure. We wish him the greatest success in the United Kingdom," Johan said.

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About Alphinity Investment Management

Alphinity is an active, boutique, equities investment manager based in Sydney and majority owned by its staff. Alphinity has dedicated experienced teams managing both Australian and global equity funds.

The company was established in 2010 with its founding partners having managed Australian investment funds together on the same basis since the early 2000s, providing extensive industry experience and a strong track record of managing equities portfolios through a variety of market conditions.

In 2015, Alphinity expanded to include a highly experienced and dedicated global investment team applying the same philosophy and process to the large set of investment opportunities outside of Australia.

Our aim is simple and effective: to give our clients superior and sustainable performance by identifying and investing in attractively valued, quality companies in or about to enter an earnings upgrade cycle.

We identify these companies using a distinctive combination of fundamental analysis and specific quantitative inputs.

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