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# Press Release

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## **SELECT EXPANDS ITS RESEARCH AND MARKETING TEAMS**

Select Asset Management Limited (**SELECT**), one of Australia's leading specialist fund managers, announces three new hires as it passes \$300 million in retail funds under management and institutional funds under advice. The new hires: Sean Webster, Robert Graham Smith and Kristin Engelbrecht are **SELECT**'s latest additions to its research and marketing teams.

Sean Webster joins from Berkley Group Limited where he was Head of Investment Research. Sean brings extensive experience with a particular strength in asset allocation and listed investments. With over 10 years experience in financial services and investment management, the addition of Sean reinforces **SELECT**'s commitment to maintaining a first-rate research team, which is led by Chief Investment Officer, Dominic McCormick.

Robert Graham Smith joins from DB Absolute Return Strategies (the hedge fund focused unit within the Deutsche Bank group) where he was an Associate Vice President/Senior Research Analyst. Robert has over 10 years experience in finance and fund management and specialises in alternative investments. Robert will have a dual role encompassing both marketing and research. His main focus will be distributing **SELECT**'s investments to the Australian institutional and retail marketplace, while contributing on the research side with particular focus on alternative investments. Kristin Engelbrecht also joins as a marketing assistant having most recently worked at Hillross Financial Services.

Commenting on the new hires, Brendan Foley, **SELECT**'s Managing Director says,

"Our new hires will further reinforce **SELECT** as one of Australia's leading providers of innovative, absolute return focused investments. The combination of a strong in-house team and access to world-class specialist fund managers puts us in an ideal position to deliver products that meet the objectives of investors and their advisors, be they retail or institutional."

In a further development, Clayton Freind, who is also Senior Managing Director, Head of Corporate Strategy for Gottex Fund Management Group, one of **SELECT**'s international investment partners, and a founding director of **SELECT** will be appointed as Chairman of **SELECT**.

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### **Notes to Editor**

**Select Asset Management Limited** provides a range of dependable investment solutions for investors that aim to make money regardless of the economic climate or the performance of traditional investment benchmarks. Via the Select Portfolios, SELECT provides investors with access to innovative, absolute return focused portfolio solutions, including the funds of our world-class partners, London-based Aspect Capital. These are managed in-house by SELECT's experienced investment management team. Via the Select Funds, SELECT offers access to our world-class partners, Swiss-based Gottex Fund Management and London-based Baker Steel Capital. SELECT currently has over A\$300 million in retail funds under management and institutional funds under advice.

Dominic McCormick, Brendan Foley, Clayton Freind, Roger Campbell and David Yale created Sydney-based SELECT in 2002. The team has more than 85 years combined experience in finance and funds management with an emphasis on absolute returns. The group currently has a staff of 14 people.

Further information on SELECT can be found at [www.selectfunds.com.au](http://www.selectfunds.com.au)

Further information on SELECT's partners is readily available on their individual websites:

Aspect Capital Limited can be found at [www.aspectcapital.com](http://www.aspectcapital.com)

Gottex Fund Management can be found at [www.gottexfunds.com](http://www.gottexfunds.com)

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