

Press release

Shao Ping Guan to join AllianzGI and lead next phase China Equity franchise

25.04.2023 | Allianz Global Investors (AllianzGI), a leading active investment manager, today announced that it had appointed Shao Ping Guan as its Head of China Equity with effect from 1 July 2023. Based in Hong Kong, Shao Ping will report to Raymond Chan, Chief Investment Officer Equity, Asia Pacific.

Shao Ping Guan will join AllianzGI from Goldman Sachs Asset Management (GSAM), where he has been since 2007, leading their China Equity team since 2017. He brings with him 26 years of investment experience, including 17 years focused on China. Prior to joining GSAM in 2007, Shao Ping held positions at UBS Asset Management, Credit Agricole Asset Management, AXA Asset Management and OUB Asset Management.

Shao Ping will be able to draw on AllianzGI's deep bench of talent within the China Equity team, with 12 experts (PMs and Analysts). Given the importance that Chinese equities have gained in clients' portfolios over the past decade, AllianzGI has steadily strengthened the team over time, and are happy to continue to this expansion under Shao Ping's leadership.

Concurrently, Anthony Wong, Senior Portfolio Manager, will be leaving AllianzGI on 30 June to pursue interests outside the firm. Shao Ping will become sole lead portfolio manager for AllianzGI's China A strategies, which are currently managed by Anthony, and will be supported by Kevin You as deputy portfolio manager.

Commenting on the succession, Raymond Chan, CIO Equity, Asia Pacific, said:

"We are looking forward to Shao Ping joining AllianzGI later this quarter and further developing our China Equity franchise. We are confident that he possesses the skills and aptitude to lead and develop our strong and experienced China team and the investments we make on behalf of clients around the world into this exciting and increasingly important asset class. We are grateful to Anthony for his leadership in building the China A strategy suite into what it is today, and wish him all the best for his future endeavours."

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* Data as of 31 December 2022. Total assets under management are assets or securities portfolios, valued at current market value, for which Allianz Asset Management companies are responsible vis-à-vis clients for providing discretionary investment management decisions and portfolio management, either directly or via a sub-advisor. This excludes assets for which Allianz Asset Management companies are primarily responsible for administrative services only. Assets under management are managed on behalf of third parties as well as on behalf of the Allianz Group.

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