

Nykredit Chooses MSCI ESG Research and Ratings

London – September 19, 2012 – MSCI Inc. (NYSE: MSCI), a leading provider of investment decision support tools worldwide, announced today that Nykredit, one of Denmark's leading financial services providers, has selected MSCI ESG Research to provide environmental, social, and governance (ESG) research, ratings, and screening tools to help it integrate ESG factors into the investment process.

Nykredit, a signatory of the Principles of Responsible Investment (PRI), has subscribed to MSCI ESG Research's full suite of products including MSCI ESG IVA and MSCI ESG Impact Monitor for research and ratings, as well as MSCI ESG Business Involvement Screening Research. These products will be used by Nykredit to identify key ESG issues and will also help the company screen both internally and externally managed portfolios, as well as to engage with selected companies and exercise active ownership.

"We chose MSCI ESG Research as our ESG-research partner because their products and services can help us to reach our ambitions for sustainable investments," says Lars Bo Bertram CEO of Nykredit Asset Management. "The goal for us is to use ESG as a catalyst for lower risk and better returns."

Remy Briand, Head of Index and ESG Research at MSCI, added, "Nykredit's business concept of financial sustainability fits with MSCI ESG Research's mission to lead the investment industry in the integration of sustainability by providing best-in-class ESG research, ratings, and screening tools. We are delighted to be working with Nykredit as they continue to develop long term sustainable investment strategies based on ESG research."

MSCI ESG Research products support the integration of environmental, social, and governance (ESG) factors into the investment process and facilitate the implementation of the Principles of Responsible Investment.

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About MSCI ESG Research

MSCI ESG Research products and services are designed to provide in-depth research, ratings and analysis of environmental, social and governance-related business practices to companies worldwide. ESG ratings, data and analysis from MSCI ESG Research are also used in the construction of the MSCI ESG Indices.

For further information on MSCI ESG Research, contact esgclientservice@msci.com, or visit www.msci.com/esg

About MSCI

MSCI Inc. is a leading provider of investment decision support tools to investors globally, including asset managers, banks, hedge funds and pension funds. MSCI products and services include indices, portfolio risk and performance analytics, and governance tools.

The company's flagship product offerings are: the MSCI indices with approximately USD 7 trillion estimated to be benchmarked to them on a worldwide basis¹; Barra multi-asset class factor models, portfolio risk and performance analytics; RiskMetrics multi-asset class market and credit risk analytics; MSCI ESG (environmental, social and governance) Research screening, analysis and ratings; ISS governance research and outsourced proxy voting and reporting services; FEA valuation models and risk

management software for the energy and commodities markets; and CFRA forensic accounting risk research, legal/regulatory risk assessment, and due-diligence. MSCI is headquartered in New York, with research and commercial offices around the world.

¹As of June 30, 2011, based on eVestment, Lipper and Bloomberg data.

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