

## Japan's Pension Fund Association Selects MSCI's BarraOne for Multi-Asset Class Risk Management

**Tokyo – April 23, 2014** – [MSCI](#) Inc. (NYSE: MSCI), a leading provider of investment decision support tools worldwide, announced today that [Japan's Pension Fund Association \(PFA\)](#), one of the largest pension funds in Japan managing more than JPY 10 trillion, has chosen [BarraOne](#) to manage risk across their plan. BarraOne is MSCI's integrated risk and performance platform providing global, multi-asset class and multi-currency portfolio analytics.

"There has been heightened awareness of the importance of risk management among Japanese pension funds," said, Raj Manghani, Head of Risk Management Analytics APAC. "As one of Japan's largest pension funds, PFA is a marquee name in the industry that sets the standard for other corporate plans in the region. We are delighted that PFA has selected MSCI for risk management of their multi-asset class portfolio."

PFA was established under the Employees' Pension Insurance Act in Japan. It provides pension benefits to those who seceded from employees' pension funds after a short period of membership. PFA is also engaged in the secure and efficient management of assets which serve as financial resources for pension benefits.

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The company's flagship product offerings are: the MSCI indexes with approximately USD 8 trillion estimated to be benchmarked to them on a worldwide basis<sup>1</sup>; Barra multi-asset class factor models, portfolio risk and performance analytics; RiskMetrics multi-asset class market and credit risk analytics; IPD real estate information, indexes and analytics; MSCI ESG (environmental, social and governance) Research screening, analysis and ratings; ISS corporate governance research, data and outsourced proxy voting and reporting services; and FEA valuation models and risk management software for the energy and commodities markets. MSCI is headquartered in New York, with research and commercial offices around the world.

<sup>1</sup>As of September 30, 2013, as reported on January 31, 2014, by eVestment, Lipper and Bloomberg

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