

MSCI Hires Ricardo Weiss as Advisory Director in Brazil

Sao Paulo – October 16, 2014 – MSCI Inc. (NYSE: MSCI), a leading provider of investment decision support tools worldwide, announced today that it has retained Ricardo Weiss as Advisory Director, covering Brazil. Based in MSCI's Sao Paulo office, Mr Weiss will be responsible for strengthening the firm's relationships with the country's largest pension funds, providing his services on a part-time basis to MSCI, in addition to his role as Founding Partner at R. Weiss Consultants.

"We are extremely pleased that Ricardo Weiss has joined us," said Paula Salamonde, Executive Director and Head of MSCI Client Coverage in Latin America. "He brings a wealth of relevant experience and credibility due to his innate knowledge of the Brazilian pension fund market. His arrival couldn't have come at a better time as Brazilian pensions funds are taking their first steps into international diversification and are becoming more aware of the importance of factor investing. With its broad and diverse index offering, including market cap and factor indexes, MSCI is well positioned to demonstrate the importance of index selection within the investment cycle."

Mr Weiss has extensive experience in the pension fund industry including his role as Chief Investment Officer for FAPES Brazilian Development Bank Pension Fund, the 12th largest pension fund in Brazil. Previously, Mr Weiss held senior positions as the Head of the Credit Risk Department at BNDES as well as Director at Patrimônio Bank, a subsidiary of Salomon Brothers. In addition, Mr Weiss has played a prominent role on various committees including the Association of Brazilian Pension Funds (ABRAPP), the Institutional Investors Committee at the Brazilian Corporate Institute (IBGC), and the Brazilian Financial and Capital Markets Association (ANBIMA) to name a few.

"It is a privilege to be partnering up with such a great organization," said Mr Weiss commenting on his new role. "I look forward to sharing with the local market the enormous wealth of knowledge MSCI has in developing and constructing world renowned equity indexes together with portfolio risk and performance analytics tools."

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The company's flagship product offerings are: the MSCI indexes with over USD 9 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; IPD real estate information, indexes and analytics; MSCI ESG (environmental, social and governance) Research screening, analysis and ratings; 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.

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