

Will Robson Joins MSCI as Global Head of Real Estate Applied Research

New York – FEBRUARY 16, 2017 – MSCI Inc. (NYSE: MSCI) announced today that Will Robson has joined the firm as Global Head of Real Estate Applied Research.

Mr. Robson will be responsible for providing insight into the challenges of institutional investors worldwide whose portfolios include private and publicly traded real estate, and for translating those insights into products and services that aim to deepen investors' understanding of portfolios and markets.

He joins MSCI from Abu Dhabi Investment Authority (ADIA), where he served most recently as a senior research analyst in ADIA's global real estate research group. Before joining ADIA, Mr. Robson worked as a research economist for M&G Real Estate and, previously, as an economist at Royal Mail Group Plc.

"Will's experience working with owners and managers of real estate in both developed and emerging markets gives him a global perspective on the challenges that investors in this growing asset class confront daily," said Sebastien Lieblich, MSCl's Global Head of Real Estate Research. "His insights will help us as we seek to address challenges that range from global asset allocation to lease-level income trends in specific locations. We are pleased to welcome him to MSCl."

Mr. Robson, who is based on London, joins a global team of researchers and specialists that has decades of experience in real estate and real estate-related securities, including regional and global indexes, as well as performance modeling, data metrics and risk analytics.

Mr. Robson holds a master's degree in economics from the University of York and a bachelor's degree in economics from Newcastle University.

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