

## MSCI Makes Appointments to Drive Product and Service Innovation and Promote Growth

- **Peter Zangari named Global Head of Research and Product Development**
- **Jorge Mina named Head of Analytics**
- **Remy Briand now full-time Head of ESG and Real Estate**

**New York – February 2, 2017** – MSCI Inc. (NYSE: MSCI) today announced changes to its senior management team designed to drive product and service innovation and promote growth.

Peter Zangari, who has headed the Analytics product line since February 2015, has been named Global Head of Research and Product Development. In addition to setting the research agenda, Mr. Zangari will drive the integration of research into MSCI's products and services to deliver innovative solutions to investment problems. Over the past two years, he has overseen a restructuring that unified the company's Portfolio and Risk Management Analytics units, with dramatic improvements in product delivery and profitability. Prior to serving as Head of Analytics, Mr. Zangari served as Head of Equity Analytics from August 2011 until February 2015. He joined MSCI in 2011 from Goldman Sachs Asset Management, where he served as head of risk and a member of the leadership team for quantitative investment strategies.

Remy Briand, who in June 2016 was named Head of Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) and Real Estate, in addition to his role as Head of Research, will now focus solely on his product line responsibilities. Mr. Briand has been the architect of the ESG product line since 2010 and built it into a clear global industry leader it is today. As Head of Research, he furthered the development of MSCI's Equity Index franchise, with innovative methodologies such as the frontier markets indexes, and led the development of MSCI's market leading factor indexes. Mr. Briand joined MSCI in 2001 from Credit Lyonnais Asset Management, where he was an equity portfolio manager and head of research.

Jorge Mina will succeed Mr. Zangari as Head of Analytics. Mr. Mina, who has been the Head of Analytics for the Americas, has a proven track record in building products and services that enable clients to differentiate their investment strategies and better manage their risks. Mr. Mina joined MSCI in 2010 following its acquisition of RiskMetrics and served as a Managing Director in Risk Management Analytics from 2010 to 2015. Prior to joining MSCI, Mr. Mina served in a variety of roles at RiskMetrics, including co-head of the Risk Business and Head of Research. He will join MSCI's Executive Committee.

"I am excited by these changes within our senior team," said Henry Fernandez, MSCI's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "Together these appointments promise to usher in a new phase of growth by accelerating the problem solving and innovation that clients expect from MSCI."

All three executives report to Baer Pettit, MSCI's Chief Operating Officer.

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