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New investment manager appointment

The board of K2 Asset Management Ltd (**K2**) are excited to announce a partnership with **GAM International Management Ltd** (**GAM**) to take on the role of investment manager of the K2 Select International Absolute Return Fund (**Fund**).

Since the Fund's inception in 2005, K2 has been the investment manager and now have entered into a management agreement with GAM to act as investment manager of the Fund from 7 February 2023.

With over 35 years' experience, **GAM** is an active, independent global asset manager that thinks beyond the obvious to deliver distinctive and differentiated investment solutions for clients across discretionary, systematic and specialist solutions.

GAM is headquartered in Zurich with offices across 14 countries and collectively manage more than AUD 100 billion in assets for institutions, financial advisors and private investors.

Mark Hawtin, Investment Director at GAM, will manage the Fund using a long short approach to seek long-term growth opportunities across sectors whose business models are driven by new, disruptive technologies. Mark, a highly experienced investor and his team use the omnipresence of today's technology to actively invest in winning companies with disruptive characteristics and substantial potential for growth.

Managing Director of **GAM** Australia, Alex Zaika said "GAM is excited to partner with K2 Asset Management which allow retail investors in Australia to access GAM's long short global equity capabilities for the first time".

George Boubouras, Executive Director of K2 said, "we are pleased to be able to partner with a large global and high quality long / short manager with such a strong track record. Facilitating successful best-of-breed global managers into the local market ultimately benefits Australian investors".

The transition will involve the Fund changing its name to the **Select International Alpha Fund**.

For further information, please contact research@k2am.com.au.



About K2 Asset Management Holdings

Established in 1999, K2 is an Australian based financial services provider. K2 is the main operating subsidiary of K2 Asset Management Holdings Ltd which listed in November 2007 (ASX: KAM).

K2 are focused on growing sustainable revenue across the three core pillars of the business, Funds Management, Responsible Entity & Trustee Services and Exchange Traded Funds.