

## **Henderson Group plc Board announcement**

30 July 2015

Henderson Group plc ('Henderson Group') today announces the appointment of Kalpana Desai as a Non-Executive Director of the Henderson Group Board.

Ms Desai has over 25 years of international advisory and investment banking experience, primarily gained in the Asia-Pacific region.

Until 2013, Ms Desai was Head of Macquarie Capital Asia, the investment banking division of Macquarie Group Limited, headquartered in Australia. Prior to this, she was Head of the Asia-Pacific Mergers & Acquisitions Group and a Managing Director from 2001 in the investment banking division of Bank of America Merrill Lynch based in Hong Kong, having joined that firm in 1998. Earlier, Ms Desai worked in the corporate finance divisions of Barclays de Zoete Wedd in London and Hong Kong and at J. Henry Schroder Wagg in London, having started her career in the financial services division of Coopers & Lybrand Consulting in London. She was a member of the Takeovers and Mergers Panel of the Securities and Futures Commission in Hong Kong from 2007 to 2014. She is currently a Non-Executive Director of Canaccord Genuity Group Inc., headquartered in Canada. Ms Desai has a BSc with Honours in Economics from the London School of Economics and Political Science and qualified a Chartered Accountant (ACA) with Coopers & Lybrand PricewaterhouseCoopers) in London in 1991.

Commenting on the appointment, **Richard Gillingwater**, **Chairman of Henderson Group**, said: "I am pleased to welcome Kalpana to the Board. Her strong international financial services experience, particularly in the Asia-Pacific region, will be a valuable asset which complements our strategic intent of globalising Henderson."

The appointment of Ms Desai is subject to obtaining approval from the UK Financial Conduct Authority under its approved persons regime.

There are no additional matters requiring disclosure under Rule 9.6.13 of the UK Listing Rules.

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Henderson is an independent global asset manager, specialising in active investment. Named after its first client and founded in 1934, Henderson is a client-focused global business with over 900 employees worldwide and assets under management of £82.1bn (30 June 2015). Its core areas of investment expertise are European equities, global equities, global fixed income, multi-asset and alternatives.

Henderson is dual-listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX) and the London Stock Exchange (LSE) and has a market capitalisation of approximately £3.0bn (28 July 2015).

Further information can be found at www.henderson.com/ir.