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Lindsay Wright appointed as lead independent director

The NZX board advises that Lindsay Wright has been appointed as lead independent director.

NZX Chair James Miller commented: "Lindsay's appointment reflects recommendations from proxy advisors and will further enhance NZX's corporate governance standards. The appointment is effective immediately and reflects Lindsay's strong performance on the board and her contribution to the broader organisation."

Lindsay joined the NZX board in February 2018 and is currently Head of Asia and Global Chief Operating Officer at Matthews Asia. Based in Hong Kong, Lindsay is responsible for overseeing the investment firm's activities in Asia and its global operations.

Lindsay brings to NZX more than 30 years' financial services and fund management experience. Prior to Matthews Asia she was Managing Director, Head of Distribution and Co-Head of Investment Management Asia Pacific for BNY Mellon Investment Management, and Deputy Chair of the Board of the Guardians of the New Zealand Superannuation Fund, which manages the NZ\$39.1 billion New Zealand sovereign wealth fund.

Lindsay has also held executive roles at Invesco Hong Kong, Harvest Capital Management and Deutsche Asset Management. She has worked in New York, Singapore and Tokyo, and started her career in New Zealand at the Bankers Trust.

Lindsay is Chair of NZX's Audit and Risk Committee, a member of the Clearing Committee and a director of Smartshares Limited, a wholly owned NZX subsidiary.

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