



Artisan Partners to Open Australian Office

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MILWAUKEE & SYDNEY, Dec 22, 2014 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Artisan Partners announced today that it will open an office in Sydney. Artisan Partners will operate the office through its Australian subsidiary Artisan Partners Australia Pty Ltd.

Artisan Partners first entered the Australian market in late 2011 through a third-party distribution agreement with Grey Pine Advisory Pty Ltd. Grey Pine Advisory is solely owned and operated by Whitney Drayton, who will join Artisan Partners in January as a full-time employee and Managing Director of Artisan Partners Australia.

Prior to starting Grey Pine, Mr. Drayton was Director, Institutional Business Development with Wellington Management. In his role with Wellington, he managed business development for the company's global equity and global fixed income assets across Australia and New Zealand. Mr. Drayton has worked in Sydney for over 30 years.

Eric Colson, President and CEO said, "Australia and New Zealand are markets with institutional clients and decision making processes that align well with our business model and distribution goals. Over the last several years we have worked with Whitney to introduce our firm to investors in the region and have been fortunate to begin relationships with multiple high quality clients. Having an office in Sydney will help us better serve our growing client base and more effectively distribute our investment offerings. We look forward to having Whitney on board to continue building on the momentum we have seen in the market."

About Artisan Partners

Artisan Partners is a global investment management firm that provides a broad range of high value-added investment strategies in growing asset classes to sophisticated clients around the world. Since 1994, the firm has been committed to attracting experienced, disciplined investment professionals to manage client assets. Artisan Partners has six autonomous investment teams that oversee fourteen distinct U.S., non-U.S. and global investment strategies. Each strategy is offered through multiple investment vehicles to accommodate a broad range of client mandates. The firm's principal offices are located in Milwaukee, San Francisco, Atlanta, New York, Kansas City and London.

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