

SYCOMORE ASSET MANAGEMENT APPOINTS HEAD OF EXTRA FINANCIAL ESG RESEARCH

- Sycomore AM has EUR 2.9bn under management, including EUR 580m in its SRI strategy;
- Our extra-financial research is based on proprietary research and has been applied across our investments since our creation in 2001.

May 11 2015. Sycomore Asset Management is pleased to welcome Bertille Presta as fund manager and head of environmental, social and governance (ESG) research.

SRI is a spearhead for Sycomore AM and now represents a significant share of the assets we run. “For almost 15 years, we have relied on fully proprietary research which includes ESG criteria as we have always been convinced that extra-financial criteria have an impact on a company’s growth and competitiveness. We apply these criteria to all the assets we manage”, said Cyril Charlot, founding associate of Sycomore Asset Management.

Bertille Presta has 8 years of experience in sustainability. Her mission is to actively pursue the development of our socially responsible investment (SRI) strategy and manage our dedicated ESG team which currently comprises Alban Préaubert and Claire Bataillie.

Bertille succeeds Léa Dunand-Chatellet and will be directly involved, along with Cyril Charlot, in running our SRI portfolios and mandates, notably the *Sycomore Sélection Responsable* fund.

Christine Kolb, founding associate, added “Bertille’s arrival is a perfect example of the avant-garde approach we adopted 5 years ago. Her in-depth grasp of SRI issues and her experience in the UK will have an enormous impact in driving the various SRI projects initiated in 2015. We also intend to reinforce our SRI capabilities.”

Bertille Presta first worked as a sell-side analyst in socially responsible investment at Oddo Securities before moving to F&C Asset Management in 2010 as a corporate governance and responsible investment analyst. In March 2014, she joined Financière de l’Echiquier to co-lead its SRI strategy and ESG integration process. Bertille has a Masters from the London School of Economics and a Masters in environment, sustainable development and risk management from Sciences Po in Paris.

About Sycomore Asset Management:

Founded in 2001, Sycomore AM is one of France’s leading independent asset management companies. It is an entrepreneurial company majority owned by its founding associates. Rated “High Standards” by Fitch Ratings since 2008, Sycomore Asset Management has EUR 2.9bn under management in open-end funds and dedicated mandates. We cater both to institutional clients and distribution partners like IFAs and distribution platforms.

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