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Liontrust completes acquisition of Alliance Trust Investments

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- The Liontrust Sustainable Investment Team will continue to run all 11 funds, with no changes to process.
- The acquisition enables Liontrust to meet growing demand for sustainable investment.

Specialist fund management company Liontrust today announces the completed acquisition of Alliance Trust Investments Limited (ATI), adding £2.5bn to the group's AUM.

The investment team, headed by Peter Michaelis, and 11 sustainable investment funds have joined Liontrust as part of the acquisition. All 11 funds will continue to be run by the same managers, and will use the same investment process as before.

Following the acquisition the range of funds, the team and the process have been renamed.*

The Liontrust Sustainable Investment Team brings with it a broad range of existing equity and fixed income funds and a long-term track record: Peter was at Aviva Investors, including as Head of Sustainable and Responsible Investment, for 11 years before moving to ATI in August 2012.

Commenting on the completed acquisition, **John Ions, Chief Executive of Liontrust**, said: "We're excited to start working with the Liontrust Sustainable Investment Team, and to be able to offer its range of funds to our clients. The Team is an excellent addition because they are experienced and have a clear and robust investment process. We are confident that interest in and demand for sustainable investment will only continue to grow."

Peter Michaelis, Head of the Sustainable Investment Team at Liontrust, added: "Liontrust's culture of allowing managers to run money using robust, scalable and repeatable investment processes was a big attraction for us. We look forward to continuing to run our funds using the Liontrust Sustainable Investment Process, focusing on managing money and not getting distracted by other day-to-day aspects of running a business.

"Liontrust's brand profile and its distribution capability were also an important consideration for us as we look to raise the profile of the team and the funds we manage in the UK and Europe."

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Notes to editors

* Following the acquisition, the 14-strong investment team work as part of the Liontrust Sustainable Investment Team, and run money using the Liontrust Sustainable Future Process.

Full list of funds which have come to Liontrust from Alliance Trust Investments:

Previous fund name	New fund name
Alliance Trust Monthly Income Bond Fund	Liontrust Monthly Income Bond Fund
Alliance Trust Sustainable Future Absolute Growth Fund	Liontrust Sustainable Future Absolute Growth Fund
Alliance Trust Sustainable Future Cautious Managed Fund	Liontrust Sustainable Future Cautious Managed Fund
Alliance Trust Sustainable Future Corporate Bond Fund	Liontrust Sustainable Future Corporate Bond Fund
Alliance Trust Sustainable Future Defensive Managed Fund	Liontrust Sustainable Future Defensive Managed Fund
Alliance Trust Sustainable Future European Growth Fund	Liontrust Sustainable Future European Growth Fund
Alliance Trust Sustainable Future Global Growth Fund	Liontrust Sustainable Future Global Growth Fund
Alliance Trust Sustainable Future Managed Fund	Liontrust Sustainable Future Managed Fund
Alliance Trust Sustainable Future UK Growth Fund	Liontrust Sustainable Future UK Growth Fund
Alliance Trust UK Ethical Fund	Liontrust UK Ethical Fund
Luxcellence: SF Pan European Growth Fund	Luxcellence: SF Pan European Growth Fund

About Liontrust

Liontrust Asset Management, which was launched in 1995, is a specialist fund management group with shares quoted on the London Stock Exchange. We have eight fund management teams: six that invest in UK, European, Asian and Global equities, one team that manages Multi-Asset portfolios and a Sustainable Investment team.

Liontrust was named by the London Stock Exchange Group as one of the 1,000 companies to inspire Britain in 2015 and 2016. These are the “UK’s most exciting and dynamic small and medium-sized businesses”.