

# AllianzGI appoints new Global CIO Equity

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## Summary

Allianz Global Investors, one of the world's leading active asset managers, announced today that it has appointed Virginie Maisonneuve as its new Global CIO Equity.

- Virginie Maisonneuve to lead AllianzGI's EUR 160bn Equity offering
- Succeeds Steve Berexa who will retire this year
- Planned succession will ensure continued innovation and greater adoption of Sustainable investment offering

**11 June 2021** Allianz Global Investors, one of the world's leading active asset managers, announced today that it has appointed Virginie Maisonneuve as its new Global CIO Equity. Virginie will succeed Steve Berexa who will retire at the end of 2021.

Virginie, who joins AllianzGI this week, will be based in London following a move back from Singapore in the Autumn. As the asset class lead and CIO for Equity, Virginie will report to Deborah Zurkow, Global Head of Investments at Allianz Global Investors.

Virginie brings with her a 30 plus year track record of performance, team leadership and innovation in the field of investments. She has previously held portfolio management and CIO positions for companies including Eastspring, Pimco, Schroders, Clay Finlay, Batterymarch, State Street Research and Martin Currie in various parts of the world including Singapore, New York, Boston, San Francisco and London. During this time, she has pioneered investing in areas such as China, "Quanta-mental", Thematics, ESG and Climate Change.

Commenting on the appointment, Deborah Zurkow, Global Head of Investments at AllianzGI, said:

*"AllianzGI has a broad and significant Equity platform, with recognised capabilities across investment styles and geographies. When it came to finding a successor to Steve, we sought someone of the highest calibre to ensure that our investment capability and offering develops ahead of the market. Virginie fits the bill perfectly: her breadth of experience, record of highly relevant innovation and global, forward looking outlook means she is strongly positioned to help us in the development of our client offering – in Equity but also as part of the leadership team of the firm."*

AllianzGI manages EUR 160bn in Equity portfolios for retail and institutional clients around the world. Allianz Global Investors' Equity platform includes significant franchises in Global and European Growth; China Equities; Tech, including AI; Thematic Investing including a growing range of SDG-aligned funds; and very well-established systematic strategies. All investing is active, and all of it ESG risk assessed.

Virginie is succeeding Steve Berexa, who has been Global CIO Equity since 2015. As part of the succession planning, he will remain at AllianzGI until the end of 2021, at which point he will retire following 24 years with the firm. Under Steve's leadership, AllianzGI has developed cutting edge collaboration tools for fundamental research as well as sponsoring the development of AI-based portfolio decision support.

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# AllianzGI ramps up exclusion policy with coal restrictions

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Allianz Global Investors, one of the world's leading active asset managers, has today announced that it will implement a global exclusion policy that includes a dedicated coal policy.

- New exclusion policy covers coal as well as controversial weapons
- AllianzGI is completing its toolkit to support the goal of net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050 or sooner

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