

# Press Release

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## Fiona Bassett joins LSEG as CEO, FTSE Russell

- Fiona Bassett joins from DWS Group, one of the world's largest asset managers
- FTSE Russell is one of the world's leading global index providers with c. \$18 trillion of global assets benchmarked to its indexes

London Stock Exchange Group plc (LSEG) today announces that Fiona Bassett will join the Group as CEO of FTSE Russell. Fiona will start with the Group later this summer and be based in New York, reporting to David Schwimmer, CEO LSEG.

Fiona joins from DWS Group where she held the roles of CEO, DWS UK and Global Head Systematic Investment Solutions, managing more than \$300 billion of assets under management. During a 20-year tenure, Fiona has held various senior leadership roles across asset management and index investing at Deutsche Bank, latterly DWS Group. Fiona replaces Arne Staal who is moving to another role within LSEG.

### **David Schwimmer, CEO, LSEG, said:**

"Fiona is a recognised industry leader and FTSE Russell will benefit greatly from her deep experience of building and transforming businesses in Asset Management, Index Investing and Investment Banking.

"We continue to attract high-calibre talent to complement our existing leadership and we look forward to welcoming Fiona to the team."

### **Fiona Bassett said:**

"FTSE Russell is an incredible business and trusted partner for institutional and retail investors in more than 70 countries. I am delighted to be joining the team and excited about the opportunity we have at LSEG."



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## Notes to editors:

### Fiona Bassett Biography

Senior Executive | Innovator | Transformational Leader

Fiona Bassett is a dynamic senior executive with a proven track record of building and transforming businesses in financial markets. With strategic and operational expertise spanning multiple geographies, asset classes and functions, Fiona is known for her energetic and values driven leadership style, consistently driving innovation and excellence.

Throughout her career, Fiona has demonstrated a passion for cultivating talent and building diverse, high performance teams that deliver exceptional results. Her leadership impact has been acknowledged with prestigious industry awards and accolades including from the American Banker, Mutual Fund Industry and the Institute of International Finance.

A long-standing Deutsche Bank veteran, most recently Fiona served as the Global Head of Systematic Investment Solutions and Implementation at DWS where she also was CEO of DWS UK.

### About FTSE Russell:

FTSE Russell is a global index leader that provides innovative benchmarking, analytics and data solutions for investors worldwide. FTSE Russell calculates thousands of indexes that measure and benchmark markets and asset classes in more than 70 countries, covering 98% of the investable market globally.

FTSE Russell index expertise and products are used extensively by institutional and retail investors globally. Approximately \$17.9 trillion is currently benchmarked to FTSE Russell indexes. For over 30 years, leading asset owners, asset managers, ETF providers and investment banks have chosen FTSE Russell indexes to benchmark their investment performance and create ETFs, structured products and index-based derivatives.



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