

News Release

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ANZ Appoints New Head of Responsible Investment

ANZ Bank New Zealand (ANZ NZ) today announced Helen Skinner has been appointed as the new Head of Responsible Investment for ANZ Investments.

Ms Skinner has over 20 years of experience in the investments industry, holding senior roles both in the United Kingdom and New Zealand, most recently as the Head of Emerging Wealth at Craigs Investment Partners.

“I’m passionate about responsible investment and very excited to be bringing my expertise and experience to New Zealand’s biggest funds management business.

“KiwiSaver and other managed funds invest in companies whose actions have a big impact on our collective future. I am looking forward to being part of a team focussed on delivering sustainable performance in a sustainable way.” Ms Skinner said.

ANZ Investments Chief Investment Officer Paul Huxford said Ms Skinner brought both international experience and a focus on delivering exceptional client outcomes to the role.

“This appointment highlights the importance of environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors including the impact of climate change into our investment process.”

ANZ NZ Managing Director for Funds Management Fiona Mackenzie said responsible investment was increasingly important to investors and fits well with ANZ Investments’ hands-on investment approach.

“Investors rely on the expertise of our team to combine the best quality investments for each of our funds. As a long term investor, we understand the important role ESG expertise plays.

“We actively engage with the companies that we invest in so that we can have confidence that they will be able to mitigate risks, and capitalise on opportunities relating to ESG factors over the long term.”

ANZ Investments is New Zealand’s largest KiwiSaver scheme provider, managing over \$35 billion in investments for over 650,000 investors throughout New Zealand.

Ms Skinner will start the role in June 2022.

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