

PRESS RELEASE

iQ-FOXX increases share capital and expands Asian operations

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Vienna/Hong Kong, 29th November 2013: In preparation for its expansion in Europe the independent index-provider iQ-FOXX has strengthened its share capital. The publicly listed IT-specialist BEKO HOLDING AG has participated with four per cent in the recent capital increase. It was a strategic decision for BEKO HOLDING AG's CFO Mr. Peter Fritsch to take equity in the High-Tech-Index-Provider: "iQ-FOXX forward-looking index methodology ensures a clear market advantage for the company in the future."

Prior to the recent capital increase Mr. Werner Wutscher – an experienced and internationally recognized Manager took an equity stake of three per cent of the share capital. The former member of the management board of REWE Austria who was awarded as "Business Angel of the Year 2012" explains his commitment: "I am very pleased to have the opportunity to support iQ-FOXX. This innovative index-provider has an unique index concept targeting capital protection, risk reduction while maintaining performance objectives. These USPs give the world wide operating company a significant competitive advantage."

Prominent investors participate on the capital increase

Beside BEKO HOLDING AG three further prominent investors participated in the recent capital increase. On the list of new shareholders are Mr. Thomas Stauffer (4 %), Mr. Markus Schindler (2 %) and Mr. Harald Mahrer (2 %). "iQ-FOXX offers Absolute-Return and Cross-Assets indices with highest transparency and independency. These criteria are becoming more and more popular among global institutional investors."

iQ-FOXX enforces international growth path

"We will apply additional resources in order to expand our marketing and sales efforts in Europe and Asia", says Mr. Roland Meier, Managing Director of iQ-FOXX Indices Ltd.. "In addition, we will strengthen our index offering to banks, asset managers, family offices, hedge funds and ETF issuers."

Hyundai Asset Management launches two mutual funds based on iQ-FOXX Smart Beta Indices

Two mutual funds based on the iQ-FOXX Smart Beta index concept have been issued by Hyundai Asset Management in 4th quarter 2013. The funds follow a Smart-Beta equity strategy which aims to protect the capital and to achieve equity like performance with less risk. "We are very happy that Hyundai Asset Management made the innovative iQ-FOXX Smart-Beta index concept accessible for investors in South Korea", explains Kyungtae Jung who is the Head of Korea for Privé Services, the Asian joint venture partner of iQ-FOXX.

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About iQ-FOXX

iQ-FOXX is an independent index-provider of smart indices designed to target a superior above-average return and to reduce downside risk. iQ-FOXX Indices are based on a transparent, proprietary and unique index methodology which systematically extracts forecast indicators from meaningful macroeconomic, fundamental and technical factors. With locations in London, Hong Kong and Vienna iQ-FOXX is dedicated to support the increasingly complex needs of the investment community with innovative, high quality indices and professional client support. Under its own brand iQ-FOXX develops and maintains a range of indices across equity, bond, FX and commodity asset classes as basis for investment products. The company licenses its indices to banks, asset and fund managers, ETF providers and other institutional asset owners. iQ-FOXX's founder Dr. Miro Mitev has designed and developed Absolute Return Indices for well-known international investment banks and asset managers for almost 15 years. Currently the iQ-FOXX index-family consists of more than 200 "Smart Beta", "Enhanced Beta" and "Alpha" indices, which are published via Bloomberg, the company-website www.iq-foxx.com as well as on Privé Managers wealth management platform.

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