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## StormHarbour Announces Appointment of Christian Dinesen as Managing Director, Head of Insurance Solutions

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StormHarbour announces today that Christian Dinesen has joined the firm as Managing Director, Head of Insurance Solutions, based in London. This appointment is the latest StormHarbour has made to its senior ranks this year, forming part of the firm's strategy to selectively add highly experienced professionals to its platform as it continues to build on the successes it has already achieved globally. This will enable StormHarbour to capture the significant growth opportunities for independent, specialized financial services firms resulting from the ongoing reshaping of the financial services industry, where insurers play a central part.

Christian Dinesen, who has over 27 years of combined insurance industry and global capital markets experience, was most recently Managing Director, Head of International Credit Research and European Insurance Credit Analyst at Bank of America Merrill Lynch (BAML).

Prior to joining BAML in 2002, Christian headed Standard & Poor's European insurance practice. Before entering the securities industry in 1999, he was a partner at Risk & Insurance Research Group, a management consultancy firm, and a manager of Heddington (UK), Texaco's European captive insurance company. Christian started his career as a reinsurance broker in the Lloyd's and London markets in 1984.

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Amir Hoveyda, Managing Principal commented: “Providing un-conflicted advice and delivering bespoke solutions and best in class execution to our insurance and re-insurance clients for their balance sheet and portfolio management requirements is a cornerstone of our global capital markets and advisory strategy. Christian’s unique combination of in-depth experience of both the insurance industry and global capital markets makes him perfectly suited to lead this critical initiative for the firm. Christian’s extensive insight into insurance companies’ asset and liability dynamics as well as senior issuer and investor relationships are invaluable, and we look forward to his leadership to help sustain the firm’s successful growth trajectory”.

Dinesen commented: “The opportunity to complement StormHarbour’s global sales and trading and advisory platform with insurance capabilities is an exciting one. Globally insurers have so far had a good crisis, although being very large owners of assets and managers of long dated liabilities continues to test the sector. Insurers now stand in front of truly historical and transformational challenges and opportunities, driven by changes in regulation and capital markets dynamics. Having the opportunity to work with insurers to position themselves for the future in light of this fundamental reshaping of the financial industry is very attractive, particularly when operating from the high content, yet independent platform that StormHarbour provides.”