

PRESS RELEASE

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■ **Altira Group strengthens its retail funds business and enters into cooperations with the Signal Iduna subsidiary HANSAINVEST and Berenberg Bank**

In recent weeks, Altira AG ("Altira Group"), an asset management company focused on alternative investment strategies, announced new cooperations and products in its traditional retail funds business.

VCH Vermögensverwaltung AG ("VCH"), the Altira Group investment team specialising in future markets through its investment funds, has been chosen as the advisor to the fund management of "SI ÖkoSelect", a fund launched by the Signal Iduna subsidiary HANSAINVEST Hanseatische Investment-GmbH on 2 June 2009. The fund invests worldwide in equities and equity funds as well as non-listed companies in the renewable energy sector, where VCH has a special expertise, allowing SI ÖkoSelect to invest much more broadly than most of its competitors – in addition to "traditional" alternative energies such as solar and wind power, the fund also focuses on technologies for increased energy efficiency, energy storage as well as for water supply.

In cooperation with the institutional asset management division of Berenberg Bank and with DJE Kapital AG, **Patriarch Multi-Manager GmbH ("Patriarch")**, the Altira Group investment team that designs equities-based funds-of-funds for private client asset accumulation, has launched a new product, the capital protection fund "Patriarch Multi Asset Dynamisch". The fund consists of an active base investment which invests exclusively in international equity funds and is managed by DJE Kapital AG. 10% of fund assets will, however, be utilised, independent of the DJE Kapital AG portfolio management, for active risk management by the institutional asset management division of Berenberg Bank, Germany's oldest private bank. This is the first time Berenberg is providing risk management for a fund-of-funds targeted towards private investors.

Michael Rieder, CEO of Altira Group: "We are looking forward to collaborating with such renowned partners as the Signal Iduna subsidiary HANSAINVEST as well as the Berenberg Bank and view these cooperations as confirmation of our strategy. Renewable energy, in particular, is one of our core topics and we see further significant potential in this sector, which will have a positive effect on our growth trend".

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About Altira Group

The Altira Group is an owner-managed, listed asset management company that focuses on alternative investment strategies for institutional and private investors.

The Altira Group focuses on both established and newly developing future-oriented growth markets. The specialised knowledge, many years of experience and entrepreneurial thinking and action of the Altira Group's investment teams allows them to apply an active investment approach ("high alpha strategies") to achieve sustainable above-average returns in these markets.

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