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## **Oberon Investments Group PLC**

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## **Appointment of Head of Investments**

Oberon Investments has hired Phil Smeaton to join its investment management team as Head of Investments.

Smeaton joins from atomos, formerly Sanlam, where he worked as Chief Investment Officer. Prior to that, he worked for Batterymarch and Tokyo Mitsubishi Asset Management as a fund manager, starting his career in 2000.

As CIO, Smeaton designed and implemented an investment process which brought together Sanlam's varied investment teams and delivered a robust asset allocation framework for the investment team to build client portfolios.

He brings over two decades of direct global equity experience, has successfully managed direct fixed income exposure during the COVID-19 credit crunch and the recent bond market reset, and has proven to be a calm head, even in the most volatile market conditions.

Oberon CEO Simon McGivern said: "Our investment management business continues to attract highquality investment professionals with the right culture and values. Phil not only brings skill and experience, which further enhances our investment capabilities, but his passion to work for clients and engagement with colleagues makes him a perfect fit for us."

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