

PRESS RELEASE



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ALLIANCE TRUST APPOINTS FINANCE DIRECTOR

Alliance Trust PLC today announces the appointment of Alan Trotter (aged 41) as Finance Director. Alan will join Alliance Trust in early 2010 and will become a member of the Board of Directors.

Alan is currently Group Corporate Development Director at Legal & General Group PLC, where he is also responsible for the UK Central Finance function. Before joining Legal & General in 2007 he held senior financial roles with a number of Scottish financial services institutions. He qualified as a Chartered Accountant with Ernst & Young in 1993 where he specialised in financial services, working both in the UK and internationally.

Lesley Knox, Chairman of Alliance Trust PLC, said:

“I am delighted to welcome Alan to the Board of Alliance Trust. His extensive experience in the financial services sector and a proven track record in senior positions in the industry make him an ideal candidate to take on the role of Finance Director of Alliance Trust.”

Alan Trotter said, “I am excited to be joining Alliance Trust and to have been given the opportunity to build on the success of the company to date. I very much look forward to working closely with Katherine Garrett-Cox and the rest of the team.”

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Notes to editors

1. Alliance Trust PLC is a self-managed investment company with investment trust status. A FTSE-100 company, it is the largest generalist UK investment trust by market value listed on the London Stock Exchange.
2. As at 31 December 2008, the Trust managed assets of more than £2.2bn. Of the company's net assets, around 2% was invested in its subsidiaries, which include Alliance Trust Savings and Alliance Trust Asset Management.
3. Further biographical details of the team are available on request.