



## **Mizuho International plc appoints new Chief European Economist**

London, 5 April 2016: Mizuho International plc (Mizuho International), the London-based securities and investment banking arm of the Mizuho Financial Group, Inc. (Mizuho) has appointed Christel Aranda-Hassel as Chief European Economist, effective 1 April.

As Chief European Economist she will be responsible for delivering European macroeconomic research and analysis to Mizuho's global client base including coverage of European economies, policy and markets. With an impressive track record of identifying market moving trends, Christel is an important addition to Mizuho International's London-based independent research team.

Christel brings over 25 years of experience in the City to the role and joins Mizuho International after 18 years at Credit Suisse where she was most recently Senior European Economist. Prior to Credit Suisse, Christel was Senior European Economist at Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken (SEB).

Commenting on the appointment, Graham Halliday, COO Front Office said, "We are delighted to welcome Christel to the Mizuho International team in London. Christel is a very well respected European economist, with a proven track record of delivering strategic research to a wide range of clients. Her experience and insight will significantly contribute to further enhancing our Global client franchise."

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### **About Mizuho International plc:**

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