

## Link Group to further expand in Luxembourg with acquisition of Casa4Funds

- Acquisition will broaden Link Group's Fund Solutions Management Company capability across European markets with significant potential for growth
- Transaction expected to be completed in the first half of 2021
- Once completed, Link Fund Solutions will have approximately €3 billion of Assets Under Management (AuM) in Luxembourg and €100 billion (AuM) across Europe

**23 December 2020 - Link Group and Banor Capital today jointly announce the signing of an agreement for the acquisition of Casa4Funds by Link Group from Banor Capital. Completion of the transaction is subject to regulatory approvals.**

Casa4Funds is one of the oldest European independent third-party UCITS Management Companies and Alternative Investment Fund Managers (AIFM), headquartered in Luxembourg.

The acquisition will provide additional scale for Link Fund Solutions in Luxembourg, Europe's largest investment fund center. It will also provide access to Casa4Funds' extensive experience in a wide range of traditional and alternative asset classes including private equity, real estate and debt.

Link Group will leverage the combined strengths, experience and capabilities of its existing Fund Solutions Luxembourg operation and that of Casa4Funds to deliver market-leading services for fund managers and financial institutions from across the globe.

The acquisition is subject to regulatory approvals by Luxembourg's Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier (CSSF) and is expected to be completed in the first half of 2021. The combined Fund Solutions businesses will have approximately €3 billion of Assets Under Management (AuM) in Luxembourg and €100 billion (AuM) across Europe.

Jean-Luc Neyens, Managing Director, Fund Solutions Luxembourg, Link Group commented: "The acquisition of Casa4Funds is a natural step in our vision to become Europe's leading third-party independent ManCo/Authorised Fund Manager. It deepens our expertise across alternative asset classes, broadens our Luxembourg footprint and enhances our support for clients across all of Europe's main fund centres. This is a very exciting opportunity for Link Fund Solutions, Casa4Funds and our collective teams and clients."

Giacomo Mergoni, CEO of Banor Capital Ltd said: “We are happy to entrust Casa4Funds to Link Group, a global leader with the resources and skills necessary to give the customers and the team of Casa4Funds even greater opportunities for a successful future. We have worked with Casa4Funds for more than 10 years and will continue to do so in the future. During this time we have had the opportunity to appreciate their intense focus on quality and client service. We are confident that Link Group will be able to further build and enhance this talented business.”

Arnaud Bouteiller, Partner and General Manager of Casa4Funds adds: “Over the last decade, Banor Capital has been a strong, supportive partner. While we are delighted to continue to be working with them, joining Link group, a leading European third-party independent ManCo/Authorised Fund Manager, is a great opportunity to further expand our footprint. We are thrilled to bring our SuperManCo to the next level, as part of Link Group.”

The sellers were assisted by Deloitte Luxembourg (M&A Advisor) and Grimaldi Studio Legale (Legal Advisor) for this transaction. Link Group was assisted by Arendt & Medernach (Legal Advisor & Regulatory Due Diligence), PwC UK (Financial Due Diligence) and PwC Luxembourg (Tax Due Diligence) for this transaction.

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Listed on the Australian Securities Exchange, our clients are from all industries, including some of Australia's largest pension funds and global corporations, and we are always developing our services to meet their needs.

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**About Banor Capital**

Banor Capital Limited is a UK-based independent investment management firm authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority. The firm is owned and managed by a team of professionals who have been working together for over 20 years.

Banor Capital specializes in fundamental value-based strategies and manages sub-funds for Banor SICAV and Aristeia SICAV, two Luxembourg-based UCITS V umbrella funds. Disciplined research and meticulous risk management have made Banor Capital's range of products extremely competitive and enabled them to achieve significant results placing several products among the best in their respective categories.

Banor Capital currently has over €2 billion in assets under management. Banor Capital signed the PRI (Principles for Responsible Investment) and is constantly engaged in researching and implementing environmental, social and governance (ESG) practices, with the aim of helping to generate a widespread culture of investment sustainability.

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**About Casa4Funds**

Casa4Funds is an independent Management Company and AIFM since 2005. Through its offices in Luxembourg and Switzerland, Casa4Funds specializes in providing substance, governance, compliance solutions, investment management and risk monitoring to investment funds, whether UCITS or Alternative (Hedge Funds, Private Equity, Real Estate, Debt, etc.).

Casa4Funds team of nearly 40 experts operates with absolute autonomy in providing compliant solutions and taking care of all day-to-day operations of investment funds.

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