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Federal Financial Supervisory Authority

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EU passport under Article 34 and 35 of Directive 2014/65/EU

Dear Sir or Madam,

We are writing to draw your attention to the European Commission's notice to stakeholders of 7 July 2020 "Withdrawal of the United Kingdom and EU rules in the field of asset management".

Upon your request, the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) notified us that you intend to provide MiFID services in Germany using the MiFID passport.

Subject to any transitional arrangements, UK entities and EEA branches of UK entities will no longer have the freedom to provide MiFID services to existing or new clients in Germany after the end of the transition period and will be treated as third country entities.

This will also affect contract continuity with your clients in Germany: after the end of the transition period, as a general rule, MiFID services by UK investment firms to clients in Germany require prior permission by BaFin.

If you intend to continue your business with clients in Germany after the end of the transition period, we strongly recommend that you contact the German Federal Financial Supervisory Authority (Bundesanstalt für Finanzdienstleistungsaufsicht – BaFin), lest you receive cease and desist orders by BaFin, which will be resolutely enforced.

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Please be aware that your institution may lose the freedom to provide services in Germany. We therefore recommend that you develop a solution to mitigate the resulting risks.

If you have already contacted BaFin or otherwise taken the necessary steps, you may disregard this information.

Dr. Birnbaum (Director General / Investment Supervision)