

FTSE Licenses Old Mutual Global Index Trackers With Use of Leading Alternately-Weighted Indices for Two New Index-Tracking Funds

London, 12 March 2012: FTSE Group ("FTSE"), the award winning global index provider, announces the licensing of the globally established FTSE RAFI Index Series and the recently launched FTSE EDHEC-Risk Efficient Index Series, to Old Mutual Global Index Trackers ("OMGXT"). The adoption of these indices highlights investors increasing interest in alternately-weighted sources of passive investment, and FTSE's fast growing index range within this space.

The choice of alternately-weighted indices reinforces investor demand for new and innovative tools to capture systematic sources of return, diversify core portfolios and complement existing market-capitalised strategies.

Launched over six years ago and created in partnership with Research Affiliates the FTSE RAFI Index Series, introduced a new approach to indexing and forms the basis for a range of index-linked products globally. Rather than using market capitalisation, constituents are weighted in accordance with the following four 'fundamental' factors; total cash dividends, free cash flow, total sales and book equity value.

More recently the FTSE EDHEC-Risk Efficient Index Series, launched in association with EDHEC-Risk Institute (EDHEC-Risk), employs a systematic approach which aims to capture equity market returns whilst offering improved risk/reward efficiency – offering greater diversification.

Jonathan Cooper, Managing Director, FTSE Middle East and Africa, noted: "Old Mutual Global Index Trackers' core business makes FTSE a natural partner for successful product issuers who seek to develop alternately-weighted index products. Their adoption of FTSE non market-cap weighted indices demonstrates their recognition of our expertise and wide choice, as well as creating a new opportunity set for index tracking managers."

Kingsley Williams, Head of Research at OMGxT said: "Alternatively weighted index-tracking funds offer investors the best of both worlds; low cost funds, a robust investment methodology and the potential for enhanced returns relative to market-cap index-tracking funds."

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FTSE has built an enviable reputation for the reliability and accuracy of our indices and related data services. FTSE has a long tradition of listening and responding to the market so that it is at the forefront of developing new approaches to index design, many of which are now accepted as the market standard. FTSE prides itself in continuing to invest significant resources in researching and developing new index solutions.

The foundation for FTSE's global, regional, country and sector indices is the FTSE global equity universe, which covers over 8,000 securities in 48 different countries and captures 98% of the world's investable market capitalisation. FTSE's flagship global benchmark, the FTSE All-World, is used by investors worldwide to structure and benchmark their international equity portfolios.

Exchanges around the world have chosen FTSE to calculate their domestic indices. These include ATHEX, Bolsas y Mercados Españoles, Borsa Italiana, Bursa Malaysia, Casablanca SE, Cyprus Stock Exchange, IDX, JSE, LSE, NASDAQ Dubai, NYSE Euronext, PSE, SGX, Stock Exchange of Thailand and TWSE. In addition, FTSE works with a variety of companies and associations to deliver innovative index solutions which provide the market with fresh opportunities.

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