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Credit Suisse Asset Management launches a *Greater China fund* and an *Asian Tigers fund* investing in leading companies in these markets

Zurich, October 20, 2003 – Credit Suisse Asset Management is expanding its equity fund range with the simultaneous launch of the **Credit Suisse Equity Fund (Lux) Greater China** and **Credit Suisse Equity Fund (Lux) Asian Tigers**.

The **Credit Suisse Equity Fund (Lux) Greater China** invests in shares of companies domiciled within China, Hong Kong and Taiwan, or whose major business activities are located here. **Credit Suisse Equity Fund (Lux) Asian Tigers** invests in Asia ex-Japan companies that are domiciled in China, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand and the Philippines, or whose major business activities are located in these regions.

The **Credit Suisse Equity Fund (Lux) Greater China** aims to provide investors with exposure to a market, which has the potential to remain one of the most dynamic for the foreseeable future. GDP growth rates for the country demonstrate its potential. Since 1990 China has produced real GDP growth rates of between 4 and 14% per annum, stabilising in recent years at around 7-8%. This compares favourably with world markets, which grew at a relatively more modest 3%. World Trade Organisation entry and attractive equity valuations will consolidate China's rising pre-eminence as a growing economic force.

The **Credit Suisse Equity Fund (Lux) Asian Tigers** is primarily aimed at investors seeking to gain exposure to the growth potential of a wider range of East Asia ex-Japan countries. Two notable factors are supporting this region's significant growth momentum and valuation. These include the more efficient use of capital resources by Asian companies following the financial crisis of 1997-8

and the demographic developments set to take place in the region over the next 20 years.

Credit Suisse Asset Management's Head of European Retail Marketing, Stephen Wander, commenting on these new funds, said: "The launch of both of these products comes at an opportune time, as investors are starting to be attracted to Asia's medium-to-long-term growth potential."

The Credit Suisse Asset Management Portfolio Management Team, whose members have on average 10 years experience covering stocks in the region, will run both funds. In addition, the Portfolio Managers Peter Sartori and Boon-Hong Yeo have proven track records of successfully running similar portfolios over a number of investment cycles.

FUND DETAILS

Name of funds	Credit Suisse Equity Fund (Lux) Greater China	Credit Suisse Equity Fund (Lux) Asian Tigers
Fund classes	Tranche B in USD: capital growth	Tranche B in USD: capital growth
Swiss Securities Numbers	1 665 380	1 665 397
ISIN	LU0175358893	LU0175359438
Funds currency	USD	USD
Management fee p.a	1,92%	1,92%
Financial year	March 31	March 31
Fund domicile	Luxembourg	Luxembourg
Launch price	10 USD	10 USD

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Notes to editors:

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