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Credit Suisse Asset Management launches total return fund in order to capture the significant potential benefits of the Asia Pacific region

Zurich, 12 November, 2003 – Credit Suisse Asset Management is expanding its balance fund range with the launch of an innovative total return fund, the **Credit Suisse Fund (Lux) Total Return Asia Pacific**.

The **Credit Suisse Fund (Lux) Total Return Asia Pacific** targets a positive return of 3 month US\$ Libor + 400bps over the medium term, through optimising the Fund's allocation process across a diverse range of equity and fixed income assets.

By allowing the Fund Manager the flexibility to invest up to 100% of assets into either equities or bonds at any time, the Fund seeks to take full advantage of the long term potential for growth that exists within this region and to achieve this 'targeted' level of return whatever the market environment.

In order to enhance the prospects of capturing the attractive investment opportunities that exists within the Asia Pacific region, the Fund will leverage the significant local expertise of Dr. Marc Faber, an external consultant and member of the Fund's Advisory board who is based in Hong Kong. Dr. Marc Faber, editor and publisher of "The Gloom, Boom and Doom Report" has built a strong reputation amongst investment professionals for his ability to determine major turning points in world markets.

By combining the experience of investment professionals from CSAM with the proven skill of Marc Faber, investors now have an opportunity to take advantage of the upside potential in the Asia Pacific region.

Credit Suisse Asset Management's Head of Retail Sales Europe, Robin van Berkel, commenting on this new fund, said: "The launch of this product comes at an opportune time, as growing numbers of investors are seeking a product that not only targets a minimum certain level of positive return but also wish to capture the significant potential benefits of this region."

The Credit Suisse Asset Management Portfolio Management Team, whose members have significant experience covering stocks in the region, will run this fund. In addition, the Portfolio Manager Peter Sartori has a proven track record of successfully running equity portfolios over a number of investment cycles.

FUND DETAILS

Name of fund	Credit Suisse Equity Fund (Lux) Total Return Asia Pacific
Unit class structure	'B' (reinvesting units)
Swiss Securities Numbers	1705465
ISIN	LU0179109227
Funds currency	USD
Management fee p.a	1,90%
Hurdle rate	3M US Libor + 400bp p.a.
Performance fee	10% of any daily positive difference of the current NAV of the Fund to either the higher of the Hurdle Rate value or last highest NAV
High water mark	Highest NAV backward looking gross of performance fee
Financial year end	September 30
Fund domicile	Luxembourg
Subscription period	November 17 – November 28 2003
Launch price	100 USD

Past performance is no guarantee of future returns

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Notes to editors:

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As of September 30, 2003, Credit Suisse Asset Management employed 1,985 people worldwide and had global assets under management of approximately USD 312.7 billion. Please note that this is not an offer for advisory services by Credit Suisse Asset Management. For more information on Credit Suisse Asset Management, please visit our Web site at <http://www.csam.com>.

The Fund is an investment fund (fonds commun de placement) constituted in Luxembourg in conformity with the first part of the Law of 30 March 1988 on Undertakings for Collective Investment, and therefore in conformity with EU Investment Funds Directive 85/611 of 20 December 1985. The Fund is managed by Credit Suisse Fund Management Company, with registered office at 5, rue Jean Monnet, L-2180 Luxembourg. The Fund is represented in Switzerland through Credit Suisse Asset Management Funds, Zurich. The paying agent of the Fund in Switzerland is Credit Suisse, Zurich. Fund income and the value of units in the Fund may fall as well as rise and cannot be guaranteed. Units in the Fund may only be offered for sale in countries where the Fund has been admitted for sale to the public. If the Fund invests abroad, the value of its assets may also be subject to exchange rate fluctuations. This document constitutes neither an offer nor an invitation to purchase units in the Fund. Subscriptions are only valid on the basis of the current sales prospectus and the most recent annual report (or half-yearly report, if this is more recent). The prospectus, the management regulations and the annual and half-yearly reports may be obtained free of charge from the management company, the representative in Switzerland and from any bank in the Credit Suisse Group.

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