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**Avida International** is pleased to announce the opening of a representative office in Germany, led by Dr. Dorothee Franzen.

Paul Boerboom, CEO and founder of Avida, said: "We have taken the step to further pursue our internationalisation strategy. We are seeing increasing interest in delegated investment solutions in the German pension market and will bring our expertise as fiduciary and strategic consultants to the table."

Dr. Dorothee Franzen is Managing Director Germany at Avida International. She is also Director of the 'Allianz-Oxford Pensions Conference' and Honorary Research Associate at the Smith School of Enterprise and the Environment at the University of Oxford. Previously, Dorothee was Director at Allianz Global Investors where she headed International Pension Research. She managed a broad research programme and helped developing the company's strategic pension policy. Prior to joining Allianz Group in 2001, Dorothee held senior roles at HypoVereinsbank in institutional sales and economic research.

Dr. Dorothee Franzen commented: "I'm excited to be working with Avida's experienced team in investment governance. Avida has spearheaded different fiduciary investment services concepts in the Netherlands and the UK, which are extremely valuable to multi-national sponsors in other countries too."

## **About Avida:**

Avida International was founded in 2006. We are independent specialists in investment governance and client servicing. We help providers of investment management services and their institutional clients in getting the best out of their organisations. To date, we have advised over 70 major pension funds and institutional clients.

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