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Worthwhile Capital Partners expands team with a wider focus on Europe

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1. Worthwhile Capital Partners adds to its fundraising team:

Worthwhile Capital Partners – the Nordic specialist placement agent focusing on sustainable investing – is expanding its business to a European wide coverage. The expansion follows the successful introduction of the business in 2018 and comes after strong demand for the Firm’s fundraising services in 2020.

The company believes the increasing demand for alternative and sustainable investing is a consequence of the accelerating impact of climate change, the difficult state of financial markets and the need for resilient investments by long-term asset owners. Worthwhile Capital Partners’ core strategy is to identify and market specialist fund managers and direct investment opportunities that enables institutional investors to meet their return and sustainability targets for the coming decades. By connecting institutional capital to sustainable investment opportunities worldwide, the Firm seeks to create an investor community around sustainable investing themes, and to act on climate change, sustainable use of water and marine sources, the circular economy, a healthy and efficient ecosystem and biodiversity.

The company has a thematic approach to fundraising and will focus on investments related to the decarbonization of energy systems, water infrastructure, the introduction of green mortgages, biodiversity and other sectors contributing to a better world. Worthwhile Capital Partners is a signatory of UN Principles for Responsible Investing and was formed by Christian Andersson, a former Managing Director with Goldman Sachs and Bank of America Merrill Lynch, where he was heading up the Nordic Pension & Insurance Solutions Group. Kerim Kaskal became a partner of the business in 2019 and joined from AP Fund 3, where he was the CIO responsible for a EUR 35bn asset portfolio. Prior to joining AP3, Kerim was a co-founder of Ambrosia Asset Management and Nektar Asset Management as well as a hedge fund manager at Brummer & Partners, where he developed a skillset as a macro and relative value trader spanning across business cycles.

“We expect pension funds and life insurers across Europe to find it increasingly difficult to generate sufficient returns to match liabilities for their increasingly ageing policy members in the decade ahead. Now is the right time for our business to expand our team to make sure we provide relevant investment opportunities to achieve this.”, said Andersson in a statement. “In our hiring process, we have been actively been looking for diverse skillsets that can contribute to building our business in different ways. We are very pleased to be able to attract the talented and experienced professionals such as Christian Broberg and Mattias Sonesson”, he continued.

“By mid 2021, we expect that the European Commission will put the EU Taxonomy into law, and by the same time, it will become part of the Non-Financial Reporting Directive. This means that institutional investors will have to provide reporting on their exposure to sustainable economic activities in their portfolios, and thus automatically also on unsustainable economic activities. The expansion at Worthwhile Capital Partners is setup to meet the demand for sustainable investing that this European policy initiative undoubtedly will create.”, Kaskal commented.

2. Worthwhile Capital Partners appoints senior advisory board:

Worthwhile Capital Partners has also established an independent senior advisory board to help build on its competences around the sustainable investment themes, and to further enhance the quality of its advisory services to its growing European investor base. The advisory board will consist of experts with a diverse set of competencies that can contribute to the Firm’s leadership role in fundraising for sustainable investments. The Firm has appointed Sony Kapoor as a Senior Advisor on Policy and Sustainable Investing, and Niclas Sundstrom as a Senior Advisor on Global Policy and Geopolitics.

Biographies for the extended sales team and senior advisory board members can be found below.

CHRISTIAN BROBERG, INVESTOR RELATIONS AND MARKETING – Christian joined Worthwhile Capital during the spring of 2020. He has spent most of his financial career in London, where he held senior positions within the alternative investment funds sector. Christian has a vast experience in Investor Relations and sales management with leading investment banks, private equity and infrastructure fund managers. He was Head of Sales for Private Wealth Management at Morgan Stanley in London, responsible for high net worth clients and family offices across Europe, the Middle East and Africa. He has over 20 years of fundraising experience for Private Equity and Infrastructure funds, and was previously a senior member of the Investor Relations teams in London at EQT Partners and at Clayton Dubilier & Rice (CD&R). Christian is now based in Zürich, Switzerland.

MARTIN SONESSON, SALES AND MARKETING – Martin Sonesson joins Worthwhile Capital Partners in December 2020. He is joining the team from UBS in Luxembourg, where he was an Associate Director and client investment specialist for European investors. Martin has a strong background in macroeconomics and asset portfolio analysis and marketing of a diverse set of investment funds to private and institutional investors. He was also responsible for investment advisory and portfolio construction. Before joining UBS Europe, Martin was an equity and derivatives trader at Nordea Bank in Luxembourg. He has several years of experience in advising ultra-high net worth investors for Nordea Bank. Martin begins his employment in December this year and will be based in Worthwhile Capital Partners main office in Stockholm, Sweden.

SONY KAPOOR, SENIOR ADVISER – Sony Kapoor advises EU, governments, central banks, regulators and institutional investors on economic policy and investment strategy. He has been a Visiting Scholar at the International Monetary Fund and an expert adviser to the European Commission and Parliament on tackling the Eurocrisis and driving Sustainable Finance. He was a member of the Global Agenda Council on the future of Asset Management and Insurance at the World Economic Forum, and the first Chairman of the Banking Stakeholder Group at the European Banking Authority. As a former Strategy Adviser to the Norwegian government, Mr Kapoor has driven a reform agenda at Norges Bank IM that includes divestments from fossil fuels and new substantial allocations to renewable infrastructure. He now runs NIFTYS, the Nordic Institute for Finance, Technology & Sustainability. Mr Kapoor advises Worthwhile Capital Partners on finance, policy and sustainability.

NICLAS SUNDSTROM, SENIOR ADVISER – Niclas Sundstrom advises on geopolitical and political developments across countries and regions, the economic policy decision-making process, macroeconomic trends and emerging markets, where climate change is having an increasingly large impact. He also advises on corporate specifics and special situations, including areas at the intersection of geopolitics, investments and climate change. In the past, Mr Sundstrom has worked for Robert Rubin, Stanley Fischer, Mohamed El-Erian, been a member of the Advisory Board of Finisterre Capital, advised Brummer & Partners, held positions at Citigroup, Salomon Smith Barney, worked for the G7 group of industrialised countries, and advised European governments and Russia,. He is currently advising Goldman Sachs and BP on global affairs. Mr Sundstrom advises Worthwhile Capital Partners on global policy and geopolitics.

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About Worthwhile Capital Partners:

Worthwhile Capital Partners was founded in 2018 to become the leading placement agent for sustainable investing in the Nordic region, now expanding also into continental Europe. The company focuses solely on identifying and distributing direct investments and fund managers suitable for sustainable investing, that enables institutional investors to meet their increasingly ambitious investment and sustainability objectives. The fund managers that Worthwhile Capital Partners are marketing are required to maintain a sophisticated non-financial reporting process to its investors.

Worthwhile Capital Partners has a thematic approach to investing and in 2019-2020 our sole focus is on raising capital to support the transformation towards a new energy system that at the same time reduces greenhouse gas emissions in line with the Paris agreement. Studies illustrate that a transition towards a fully sustainable energy system before 2050 is plausible already with today's technology, and the markets are now suitable for investing. Worthwhile Capital Partners has taken on two different fund managers seeking to raise c.\$1.25bn towards this objective, for exclusive distribution in the Nordic region and in selected Continental European countries. Both funds are currently open for commitments and see strong demand from Nordic investors, which has already begun to allocate capital to them. The firm will also begin to focus on the growing market for green mortgages.

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