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Media Release

Nikko Asset Management NZ named Equity Fund Manager of the Year

The strength and performance of Nikko Asset Management NZ's domestic equity team has been recognised by New Zealand's finance industry.

At the Institute of Finance Professionals (INFINZ) Awards, at Auckland's Langham Hotel last night, Nikko AM NZ was awarded the Chapman Tripp award for "Fund Manager of the Year – Equities".

The judging criteria included risk-adjusted-performance relative to benchmark over the previous three calendar years, and qualitative measures such as team/firm stability, fees, and compliance.

Eligible funds must have been in place for at least the three previous years. Equities also had to be in Australasia, and only NZ-based managers were eligible.

Stuart Williams, Head of Equities, Nikko AM NZ says his team and the whole company are energised by the accolade.

"We are delighted with the result and the recognition of the team's approach as custodians of our clients' monies." says Williams.

"We thank our clients for their support and trust, and we also acknowledge our industry partners and look forward to long lived relationships".

George Carter, Managing Director, Nikko AM NZ says the award is testament to the company's expertise and the team's hard work.

About Nikko AM NZ

Nikko AM NZ currently manages \$4.9 billion of assets across a range of asset classes. Nikko AM NZ is part of one of the largest asset management companies in Asia, Nikko Asset Management (Nikko AM). Nikko AM manages US\$182.5 billion of assets for clients across the globe and has over 200 investment professionals. This unique advantage makes Nikko AM NZ the only dedicated investment manager in New Zealand to be a part of a specialist global investment manager.

*Data as at 31 March 2017

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