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**Credit Suisse Asset Management hires analyst to cover European
Retailing and Luxury Goods sectors**

London, 13 May 2002 – Credit Suisse Asset Management (CSAM) announced today the hiring of Jeremy Richardson who will join the equity research team to cover the European Retailing and Luxury Goods sectors effective May 13, 2002. Richardson will report to Ella Brown, Head of European Equity Research based in London. He joins Credit Suisse Asset Management after spending 5 years at Schroders Investment Management's equity research department. Prior to Schroders, Richardson spent four years with Price Waterhouse and during his time there qualified for the ACA designation.

Richardson joins CSAM's 15 analyst European research team which covers all European equity sectors. This completes the coverage of all European sectors. This research team supports CSAM's portfolio management team, which includes professionals based in London, Zurich, Frankfurt, Paris, Milan and New York.

Notes to editors:

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As of December 31, 2001, Credit Suisse Asset Management employed 2,395 people worldwide and had global assets under management of approximately USD 303.7 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>.

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