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COMGEST'S ASIAN STRATEGIES BRING HOME 28 AWARDS FROM THE 2017 THOMSON REUTERS LIPPER FUND AWARDS

Comgest, the independent, international asset management group, has received 28 awards in the 2017 Thomson Reuters Lipper Fund Awards, breaking the firm's record of 26 awards in 2016.

The Lipper Fund Awards recognise funds and fund management firms for consistently strong risk-adjusted performance, relative to their peers, based on Lipper's proprietary performance-based methodology.

The Comgest Growth Greater China fund won 15 awards, the Comgest Growth Asia Pacific ex. Japan fund received seven awards and the Comgest Growth Asia fund won six awards. All three funds have generated strong performance, significantly beating both comparative indices and peers, by taking below market average risk* in line with Comgest's quality growth approach. Comgest Growth Greater China (EUR) has returned 103.1% and 103.4% over three and five years respectively**, Comgest Growth Asia Pacific ex. Japan (USD) has returned 95% and 93.4%**, and Comgest Growth Asia (USD) has returned 76.3% and 79.8%** over the same periods.

Arnaud Cosserat, CEO, Comgest said: "We are honoured to receive such prestigious awards which reflect the hard work and conscientious approach of our investment teams not only in our Asian strategies, but also across our product range. The consistent and disciplined application of our quality growth strategy applies across all geographies, and this is reflected in the long-term risk adjusted performance of our funds."

Cumulative fund returns over 3 and 5 years vs. index

<i>Cumulative performance (% , net of fees) as of 24/03/2017</i>	3-year	5-Year
Comgest Growth Asia (USD)	34.49	42.86
MSCI AC Asia (USD)	21.69	34.17
Comgest Growth Asia Pacific ex. Japan (USD)	48.28	56.97
MSCI AC Pacific ex Japan (USD)	14.02	26.25
Comgest Growth Greater China (USD)	94.56	97.38
MSCI AC Golden Dragon (USD)	61.48	70.45

Past investment results are not necessarily indicative of future investment results. For each fund, the index is shown for comparative purposes only and the fund does not seek to replicate the index.

* "below market average risk" equates to a beta of less than 1

** cumulative returns as of 24 March 2017.

Thomson Reuters Lipper Fund Awards 2017

Award	Currency	Category	Country	Award Period (years)
Comgest Growth Asia	USD	Equity Asia Pacific	Austria	3
Comgest Growth Asia	USD	Equity Asia Pacific	France	3
Comgest Growth Asia	USD	Equity Asia Pacific	Germany	3
Comgest Growth Asia	USD	Equity Asia Pacific	Netherlands	3
Comgest Growth Asia	USD	Equity Asia Pacific	UK	3
Comgest Growth Asia	USD	Equity Asia Pacific	Europe	3
Comgest Growth Asia Pac ex Japan	USD	Equity Asia Pacific Ex Japan	Switzerland	3
Comgest Growth Asia Pac ex Japan	USD	Equity Asia Pacific Ex Japan	Austria	3
Comgest Growth Asia Pac ex Japan	USD	Equity Asia Pacific Ex Japan	France	3
Comgest Growth Asia Pac ex Japan	USD	Equity Asia Pacific Ex Japan	Germany	3
Comgest Growth Asia Pac ex Japan	USD	Equity Asia Pacific Ex Japan	Netherlands	3
Comgest Growth Asia Pac ex Japan	USD	Equity Asia Pacific Ex Japan	Europe	3
Comgest Growth Asia Pac ex Japan	USD	Equity Asia Pacific Ex Japan	Nordics	3
Comgest Growth Greater China	EUR	Equity Greater China	Switzerland	3
Comgest Growth Greater China	EUR	Equity Greater China	Switzerland	5
Comgest Growth Greater China	EUR	Equity Greater China	Austria	3
Comgest Growth Greater China	EUR	Equity Greater China	Austria	5
Comgest Growth Greater China	EUR	Equity Greater China	France	3
Comgest Growth Greater China	EUR	Equity Greater China	France	5
Comgest Growth Greater China	EUR	Equity Greater China	Germany	3
Comgest Growth Greater China	EUR	Equity Greater China	Germany	5
Comgest Growth Greater China	EUR	Equity Greater China	Netherlands	3
Comgest Growth Greater China	EUR	Equity Greater China	Netherlands	5
Comgest Growth Greater China	EUR	Equity Greater China	UK	3
Comgest Growth Greater China	EUR	Equity Greater China	Europe	3
Comgest Growth Greater China	EUR	Equity Greater China	Europe	5
Comgest Growth Greater China	EUR	Equity Greater China	Nordics	3
Comgest Growth Greater China	EUR	Equity Greater China	Nordics	5

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About Comgest:

Founded in 1985, Comgest is an independent, international asset management group with global headquarters in Paris and investment companies in Dublin, Hong Kong, Tokyo, Singapore and Boston. Since its founding, Comgest has pursued its “Quality Growth in the Long Term” investment style with the objective of selecting quality companies with solid prospects for sustained growth. Comgest serves a diversified client base around the world, with a committed staff of more than 140 employees of 20 different nationalities managing client assets of over €21.8 billion (as at 31 December 2016).

Important information

Portfolio and index data are as of 24 March 2017.

The Comgest Growth funds mentioned above are UCITS V compliant sub-funds of Comgest Growth plc, an open-ended umbrella-type investment company with variable capital and segregated liability between sub-funds incorporated in Ireland. CG Plc is regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland.

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