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THE CHURCH OF SWEDEN, AP4 AND STOREBRAND ASSET MANAGEMENT AWARDED BY CFA SWEDEN

At their annual forecast dinner last night, CFA Society Sweden awarded, for the fifth consecutive year, their ESG prize to the person/organization who has best managed to raise awareness of the importance of ESG issues in the investment process.

The 2014 Award focuses on one of the most discussed industry topics this year; fossil fuels. Three Swedish institutions share the 2014 CFA Sweden ESG Award. These institutions have demonstrated leadership and commitment to this challenge, each in their own way, as it relates to their fiduciary duty and clients. All three have incorporated their views on fossil fuels to implement investment strategies to capitalize and generate higher investment returns. They have demonstrated that you do not need to sacrifice short-term goals in order to achieve long-term objectives. Through their leadership they have invited to an industry dialogue and initiated the development of toolkits for a sustainable approach. The awardees are: Church of Sweden, AP4 and Storebrand Asset Management represented by Gunnela Hahn (Head of responsible investment, Church of Sweden), Mats Andersson (CEO, AP4) and Liza Jonson (CEO, SPP Fonder) at the event.

CFA Sweden would like to thank their jury of experts: Filippa Bergin (Head of Sustainability, Storebrand), Reinhilde Weidacher (Head of Research, Ethix SRI investors), Henrik Malmsten (Founder, Durable Vision Invest) and John Howchin (General Counsel, Etikrådet). It should be noted that the members of the jury, in this capacity, are representing themselves and not their respective companies. The jury is therefore not precluded from nominating those companies.

The jury was unanimous in nominating the above Awardees, and the Executive Committee of CFA Society Sweden was equally unanimous in accepting the nominations for the Awards.