

Alexander Forbes appoints new CEO

Ann Leepile has officially been appointed as Alexander Forbes' new Chief Executive Officer, effective 1 February 2022.



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Leepile has previously served as the head of Global Manager Research and ultimately deputy Chief Investment Officer of Alexander Forbes Investments (formerly Investment Solutions).

This gives her direct insight into the dynamics of the business and its clients.

She joins Alexander Forbes after heading Absa Asset Management for six years during which she grew the business to one of the largest asset managers in SA.

Industry stalwart

With 20 years of experience in the investments industry, she is a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) charter holder and has attended the Executive Women in Leadership Programme of the Stanford Graduate School of Business.

Leepile is ideally placed to lead the next phase of growth for Alexander Forbes Investments given her deep technical expertise, understanding of the market and leadership track record. She will join the Alexander Forbes Group Executive Committee to ensure that investments as a portfolio continues to play a key role in the execution of the Group's strategy.

The Alexander Forbes Investments executive team supporting Leepile will comprise Gyongyi King, Chief Investment Officer; Isaah Mhlanga, Executive Chief Economist; Donovan McKay, head of Investment Products; Maria da Silva, head of Investment Operations; and Lisa Stott, Chief Financial Officer.

Says Dawie de Villiers, CEO of Alexander Forbes, "Ann's appointment sharpens our focus to deliver upon the immense potential that now exists within Alexander Forbes Investments to grow exponentially into the future as we leverage our transformative investment capabilities, institutional scale and market-leading membership base.

"This is an exciting phase for Alexander Forbes Investments and I look forward to the impact that the business will continue to make on the lives of our clients."

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