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BARCLAYS APPOINTS AKIHIKO ASAMI AND TAKEMI ANDO AS CO-HEADS OF INVESTMENT BANKING DIVISION, JAPAN

Tokyo, 6 February, 2014 – Barclays Securities Japan Limited (hereafter ‘Barclays’) today announces the appointment of Akihiko Asami and Takemi Ando as Co-Heads of the Investment Banking Division in Japan. Takemi Ando will assume this role in addition to his position as Head of Global Finance and Risk Solutions in Japan, and Akihiko Asami will assume the division co-head role in addition to his position as Head of Corporate Finance in Japan.

Akihiko Asami joined Barclays in June 2011. He leads the firm’s investment banking sector coverage group, and has responsibility for developing the firm’s investment banking franchise in Japan. He has over 18 years of investment banking experience in the M&A advisory and fundraising fields, having worked at Goldman Sachs covering the Technology, Media and Telecom, and Healthcare sectors.

Takemi Ando joined Barclays in June 2005, as Head of Global Finance and Risk Solutions. He has been responsible for the development and expansion of the firm’s capital markets related businesses in Japan, focusing on Debt Capital Markets, Equity Capital Markets, Real Estate Capital Markets and Risk Solutions.

Commenting on the appointments, Eiji Nakai, President and Chief Executive Officer of Barclays in Japan, said, “With their extensive experience and numerous achievements to date, Akihiko Asami and Takemi Ando have made a significant contribution in the expansion of Barclays’ Investment Banking business. Under their leadership I am confident that the Investment Banking Division can continue to further build and strengthen its presence in Japan.”

Tetsuya Kawano, who has held the position of Vice Chairman and Head of the Investment Banking Division in Japan for the last three and a half years, will leave the firm.

Barclays’ Investment Banking Division, with its extensive global network, significant expertise, and deep understanding of the Japanese market, will continue to support the growth and success of client businesses.

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