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BARCLAYS APPOINTS AKITO FUKUNAGA AS CHIEF RATES STRATEGIST, JAPAN RESEARCH

Tokyo, 20 May, 2014 – Barclays Securities Japan Limited today announced the appointment of Akito Fukunaga as Director and Chief Rates Strategist, Japan Research.

In this role, Mr Fukunaga will draw upon his nine years experience working in the Japanese government bond market to provide Barclays clients with value-added analysis and research that assists in formulating trading and investment strategies. Mr. Fukunaga will report to Tetsufumi Yamakawa, Head of Research, Japan.

Prior to joining Barclays, Mr Fukunaga spent four years at Royal Bank of Scotland Securities Japan Limited as chief rates strategist. Prior to that, he worked for Credit Suisse Securities Japan Limited as a rates strategist.

Mr Fukunaga started his professional career at Deutsche Securities Ltd. in 2003. He joined AIG Star Life Insurance Co., Ltd. in 2004 where he mainly worked as an actuary.

Commenting on the appointment, Hideki Nagai, Co-Head of Global Market and Head of Rates Trading, Barclays Securities Japan, said: “I am delighted to welcome Mr. Fukunaga to Barclays Japan. His experience and in-depth understanding of the rates markets will provide our clients in Japan with greater insight and further enhance Barclays’ research capability.”

Tetsufumi Yamakawa, Head of Research, Japan at Barclays, added: “Mr. Fukunaga’s appointment marks the further strengthening and expansion of our Japan Research team. His extensive experience in the industry makes him a valuable addition to our team.”

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