

News release

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**MITON GROUP PLC
FUND MANAGER APPOINTMENT**

**ANDREW JACKSON APPOINTED
TO MANAGE CF MITON UK VALUE OPPORTUNITIES FUND**

Miton Group plc ("Miton") today announces the appointment of Andrew Jackson as fund manager for the CF Miton UK Value Opportunities Fund.

Andrew will join Miton on Monday 27th June 2016 having previously worked at Ecclesiastical Investment Management (now EdenTree Investment Management) from November 2003 until his departure in July 2015. During this period Andrew managed the top quartile Ecclesiastical (now EdenTree) UK Equity Growth Fund, returning 263.7% compared to 153.3% for the sector average and 151.5% for the FTSE All Share Index. Andrew was a Citywire AAA-rated manager from December 2012 until his departure from Ecclesiastical in July 2015 (32 consecutive months).

Commenting on the appointment Gervais Williams, Miton's Managing Director, said:

"Andrew has all of the strengths for the role, including a record of impressive returns over an extended period. He is very well suited to taking a leadership role on the CF Miton UK Value Opportunities Fund, given the fund already has a history of delivering attractive returns, with stock weightings that are largely independent of the mainstream indices. At Miton we have a history of recruiting fund managers who can excel within our genuinely active investing culture."

Andrew Jackson said: "I am delighted to be joining Miton and excited by this opportunity. I am looking forward to taking on the management of the fund."

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Notes to editors:

Andrew joined Ecclesiastical Investment Management as a fund manager in November 2003 and was manager of the Ecclesiastical UK Equity Growth Fund until July 2015. During his career he has been responsible for UK and Irish equity investments at Canada Life, managed the specialist UK Small Cap Funds for Lloyds Investment Managers (later Hill Samuel Asset Management) and helped to set up the Smaller Companies Desk at SG Asset Management.

- Andrew was a Citywire AAA-rated manager from December 2012 until his departure from Ecclesiastical in July 2015 (32 consecutive months)
- Andrew was awarded Investment Week UK Equity Growth Manager of the Year in 2014
- Under Andrew's management, the Ecclesiastical (now EdenTree) UK Equity Growth Fund was named Morningstar Flex-Cap Fund for 2013 and Money Observer UK Equity Growth Fund of the Year 2014
- From November 2003 to July 2015, he managed the top quartile performing Ecclesiastical (now EdenTree) UK Equity Growth Fund, returning 263.7% compared to 153.3% for the sector average and 151.5% for the FTSE All Share Index

Track record

Cumulative performance	1 Year		3 Years		5 Years		10 Years		Tenure 03.11.2003 to 03.07.2015	
	%	Rank	%	Rank	%	Rank	%	Rank	%	Rank
EdenTree UK Equity Growth B shares	14.2	25 / 257	79.6	22 / 246	152.2	9 / 231	190.8	12 / 164	263.7	19 / 151
IA UK All Companies Sector	5.9		47.2		81.0		102.7		153.3	
FTSE All Share Index	1.7		35.3		70.7		97.7		151.5	

Source: FE Analytics. Data run from 03.11.2003 to 03.07.2015. Sterling Class B shares, net income reinvested, mid to mid basis. Indices are on a total return basis GBP bid to bid unless otherwise stated.

Ratios	Alpha		Beta		Sharpe		Sortino		Volatility	
	%	Rank	%	Rank	%	Rank	%	Rank	%	Rank
EdenTree UK Equity Growth B shares	5.7	12 / 151	0.7	137 / 151	0.6	6 / 151	0.5	8 / 151	13.9	9 / 151
IA UK All Companies Sector	1.6		0.8		0.3		0.3		15.2	
FTSE All Share Index	0.0		1.0		0.3		0.3		17.2	

Source: FE Analytics. Data run from 03.11.2003 to 03.07.2015. Sterling Class B shares, net income reinvested, mid to mid basis. Indices are on a total return basis GBP bid to bid unless otherwise stated. Ratios basis is weekly data benchmarked against the FTS All Share Index.