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Unicorn UK Ethical Income Fund celebrates 3 year anniversary

One of the few funds to offer an ethical income yield

Unicorn Asset Management, the independently-owned fund management business specialising in small and mid-cap investment, is pleased to announce that the Unicorn UK Ethical Income Fund ('the Fund') has celebrated its third birthday with continued strong performance, returning 22.7% since launch in April 2016*. It is one of very few UK funds to offer an ethical income yield.

The Fund follows the same investment process as the award winning Unicorn UK Income Fund – with the addition of an integrated ethical screening process including a negative screen from MSCI ESG Research. The Fund has the same partnership at the helm, Co-Fund Managers Simon Moon and Fraser Mackersie

Fraser Mackersie, Co-Fund Manager Unicorn UK Ethical Income Fund commented:

"The companies in our portfolio have good long term growth prospects, generate strong cash flows and offer an attractive dividend yield, while also meeting our strict ethical criteria. The objective is to construct an ethically focused fund with the ability to deliver both dividend income and capital growth for our investors over our longer term investment horizon"

Simon Moon, Co-Fund Manager Unicorn UK Ethical Income Fund added:

"We are committed to finding companies that not only pay healthy dividends but also have the potential to grow, while always meeting our ethical criteria. This clear and consistently applied approach has generated pleasing total returns in the three year period since the launch of the Fund."

Alisdair Hinton, Sales Director LGBR Capital added:

"As distributors of the Fund, we have noticed that clients are becoming increasingly interested in ESG options, driven by young investors who have a highly developed awareness of ethical issues. As the wealth of the younger generation enters the UK equity market, Ethical Income Funds that can demonstrate an established and successful track record should attract increasing levels of interest, leading to sustained growth of the Ethical Income sector as a whole."

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*Source: FE Analytics 31/03/2019

NOTES TO EDITORS:

Unicorn Asset Management

Unicorn Asset Management was established in 2000 and is an independently owned and managed company. It specialises in investing in UK small and mid-cap companies, AIM and fledgling markets.

Unicorn operates a team based approach to investment management and its experienced, committed and well-resourced investment team has 100+ years' of combined experience. Unicorn is focused on being the 'best not the biggest' and its funds aim to deliver long term outperformance. Unlike many investment firms, Unicorn is majority owned by its directors and managers, providing further incentive to help ensure that the funds deliver consistently strong performance.

Unicorn currently manages in the region of £1.3 billion across a range of funds designed to satisfy a variety of investor requirements, including UK Income, UK Growth, UK Smaller Companies, UK Ethical Income, Acorn Income Fund and an AIM focused VCT and an IHT portfolio service.

Fraser Mackersie

Fraser is co-manager of Unicorn UK Income Fund, Unicorn UK Ethical Income Fund, Acorn Income Fund and lead manager of Unicorn UK Growth Fund. Fraser joined Unicorn in 2008 having previously held positions with F&C Asset Management and Geoghegan & Co Chartered Accountants. He graduated from the University of St Andrews in 2003 with a degree in Economics and Management and is also a Fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants.

Simon Moon

Simon has been co-manager of the Unicorn UK Income Fund and Acorn Income Fund and lead manager of the Unicorn Smaller Companies Fund since 2013 and co-manager of the Unicorn UK Ethical Income Fund since launch. He joined Unicorn Asset Management in 2008, since when he has been an active member of the Investment Committee. Prior to joining Unicorn Simon worked as a research analyst at JM Finn & Co. Stockbrokers and spent three years in the NHS graduate finance scheme.

Alisdair Hinton

Alisdair is Sales Director at LGBR Capital and responsible for the distribution of the Unicorn Asset Management Funds to the intermediary market including DFMs, WMs and advisers. He has been a key member of the team at LGBR Capital since joining the team in 2013.

LGBR Capital

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