

**Natixis Global Asset Management Names David Giunta  
President of U.S. Distribution Organization**

BOSTON (January 10, 2008) – Natixis Global Asset Management, L.P. announced today that David Giunta has been named president and chief executive officer of Natixis Global Associates, its U.S. distribution organization. He joins the firm from Fidelity Investments where he was president of the Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund.

Mr. Giunta reports to Natixis Global Asset Management, North America Chief Executive Officer John T. Hailer. In his role as president of Global Associates he will direct day-to-day operations of a U.S.-based distribution organization that services \$80.1 billion in assets (as of 9/30/07). The firm's distribution activities focus primarily on the advised marketplace, including wirehouse advisors, independent investment advisors, subadvisory services, family offices, bank trust organizations and third-party asset management platforms.

“As one of the largest asset management organizations in the world and the fastest growing fund complex in the U.S.<sup>(1)</sup>, we are constantly looking for opportunities to enhance our distribution capabilities,” Mr. Hailer said. “David’s considerable experience will be a valuable asset as we look to deliver investments that help our partners meet the key challenges in the marketplace today.”

Mr. Giunta has spent the past 14 years with Fidelity in a range of sales and marketing roles. Since 2005 he has served as president of the Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund, one of the largest public charities in the U.S., and also headed Fidelity Charitable Services. He was previously senior vice president of Investor Centers, Eastern Region responsible for overall management of 55 branches. In his tenure with Fidelity he has also served as vice president for Fidelity Personal Investments and Brokerage Group and director of new business development at Fidelity Institutional Services Company.

Prior to joining Fidelity, Mr. Giunta was assistant vice president for product development at Putnam Investments and an analyst at Bank of Boston. Mr. Giunta is a CPA and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting from Bentley College and an MBA from Boston College.

**About Natixis Global Associates**

Natixis Global Associates provides market-driven investment solutions to institutions, intermediaries, and individuals worldwide. It is part of Natixis Global Asset Management. In the U.S., Natixis Global Associates includes Natixis Distributors, L.P. (member FINRA) and Natixis Asset Management Advisors, L.P. (a registered investment advisor). Both are located at 399 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02116. [www.ga.natixis.com](http://www.ga.natixis.com)

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**About Natixis Global Asset Management**

Natixis Global Asset Management is one of the 15 largest asset managers in the world<sup>(2)</sup> based on assets under management. Its affiliated asset management companies provide investment products that seek to enhance and protect the wealth and retirement assets of both institutional and individual investor clients. Its proprietary distribution network helps package and deliver its affiliates' products around the world. Natixis Global Asset Management brings together the expertise of multiple specialized investment managers based in Europe, the United States and Asia to offer a wide spectrum of equity, fixed income and alternative investment strategies.

Headquartered in Paris and Boston, Natixis Global Asset Management's assets under management totaled \$860 billion (€606 billion) as of September 30, 2007. Natixis Global Asset Management is part of Natixis, the investment and project bank of the Banque Populaire and Caisse d'Epargne groups. Its affiliated investment management firms and distribution and service groups include AEW Capital Management; Active Investment Advisors<sup>(3)</sup>; AlphaSimplex Group; Capital Growth Management; Caspian Capital Management; Hansberger Global Investors; Harris Alternatives; Harris Associates; Loomis, Sayles & Co.; Managed Portfolio Advisors<sup>(3)</sup>; Natixis Global Associates; Portfolio Management Partners<sup>(3)</sup>; Reich & Tang Capital Management; Snyder Capital Management; Vaughan Nelson Investment Management; and Westpeak Global Advisors. In addition to the U.S. firms, Natixis Global Asset Management includes four principal affiliates based in Paris: Natixis Asset Management, Natixis Multimanager, AEW Europe and Ecureuil Gestion.

**About Natixis**

Natixis, the "investments and projects bank," is the jointly held bank of Caisse d'Epargne and Banque Populaire and is active in corporate and investment banking, asset management, private equity and private banking, financial services and receivables management. Backed by nearly 23,000 employees, with net banking income of €7.3bn, it is a major player in its sector in Europe. Natixis is recognized worldwide for its expertise in credit insurance (ranked third worldwide), private equity and structured finance (including real estate, commodities, asset-backed finance and leveraged finance).

(1) FRC: Natixis Distributors, L.P.; among firms with \$10 billion+ AUM as of 11/31/07

(2) Cerulli Associates 2007 Global Update

(3) A division of Natixis Asset Management Advisors, L.P.

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