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ANDREW FISHER APPOINTED CHAIRMAN OF JOHN SCOTT & PARTNERS

John Scott & Partners, one of the UK's leading fee-based wealth management, financial planning and employee benefit firms has appointed Andrew Fisher as Chairman.

Fisher, who has held a host of senior financial services positions including chief executive of Coutts & Co, will help develop John Scott & Partner's nationwide presence and further enhance the company's reputation for offering quality advice to high net worth individuals. Under Fisher's tenure, Coutts was transformed from a loss making operation into a highly profitable example of private banking excellence. Fisher is currently chief executive of Cox Insurance Holdings and a non-executive director of the Benfield Group. Other previous positions include chief executive of the CPP Group, Managing Director of Rangely Company Limited and Sales and Marketing Director of Standard Chartered Bank – Equitor Division.

Toby Strauss, CEO of JS&P, said, "We are delighted that Andrew will join us as Chairman. His experience in private banking and asset management will be invaluable as we grow the business. To have someone of his calibre join as Chairman is a strong endorsement of the JS&P vision."

Andrew Fisher added, "John Scott & Partners has an unusually thorough approach to financial advice and is totally focused on building long term relationships with its clients. I am delighted to have the opportunity to continue an active involvement in the wealth management arena and to help build John Scott & Partners into one of the leading HNW advisory firms in the UK."

Founded in 1964, John Scott & Partners offers a Discretionary Investment Management service both for private clients and pension funds, which can be tailored according to the circumstances and attitude to risk. John Scott & Partners currently has around £500 million under management on behalf of private and company clients and recently acquired the high net worth advisory firms, Holden Meehan and Aitchison & Colegrave. It now has offices in London, Marlow (Bucks), Bristol, Leeds, Glasgow, Edinburgh, and Aberdeen. The principal shareholder in JS&P is Palamon Capital Partners, one of Europe's leading private equity firms. Palamon is also a significant shareholder in Cox Insurance Holdings.

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Palamon Capital Partners

Palamon Capital Partners, LP is an independent private equity partnership founded in 1999, which is focused on providing equity for European growth services companies. Palamon is one of the few truly pan-European investors originating, executing and managing investments in the UK, Italy, Spain, Denmark, Sweden, France and Germany. The firm targets investments in companies where it can be the lead private equity provider and where the partnership's experienced principals can provide strategic direction and support to help build equity value.

The Firm manages Palamon European Equity, L.P. and its parallel funds, which together have capital commitments of €440 million, making up one of the largest pools of private equity capital dedicated to growth investment opportunities in Europe's mid market arena. Investors in Palamon funds are based in the US, Europe and the Middle East and are among the most significant investment institutions in the world.