# **News Release**



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## Alcentra enhances its UK institutional business development team with senior hires

- Nicholas Pont is Managing Director, Senior Institutional Marketer
  - Sam Morse is Executive Director, Institutional Marketer

LONDON, 21 November 2016 — Alternative fixed income specialist Alcentra, part of BNY Mellon, today announced two senior appointments within the institutional business development team based in London.

Joining from PIMCO, Nicholas Pont has been appointed as Managing Director, Senior Institutional Marketer, responsible for selling Alcentra's entire suite of corporate credit strategies, including senior loans, high yield, direct lending, special situations and structured credit, in the UK.

Sam Morse has also joined the credit specialist as Executive Director, Institutional Marketer for the UK. Working closely with Nicholas Pont, Sam will help sell the Alcentra's strategies to institutional investors, such as public and corporate pension funds.

## David Forbes-Nixon, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Alcentra, said:

"Nicholas and Sam are joining at a time when our alternative credit strategies are experiencing strong traction among UK institutional investors. With their wealth of industry knowledge, relationships and experience, I believe that they will be a tremendous asset to our business. We seek to offer products with a combination of high income, short duration and capital preservation that contributes to attractive absolute and risk adjusted returns."

With over 14 years' business development experience across fixed income strategies, Nicholas joins from PIMCO where he was previously Head of UK & Ireland Business Development and was responsible for institutional distribution to pension fund clients, insurers and family offices.

Sam who has over ten years' sales experience joins from Muzinich & Co where he was Sales Director. In that role he was responsible for the development of the UK institutional business focusing on family offices, insurers, sovereign wealth and pension fund clients.

Alcentra Group is a global asset management firm with assets under management of approximately \$30 billion<sup>1</sup>, Alcentra Group has an investment track record that dates back to 1998. Strategies include: senior loans, high yield bonds, direct lending, structured credit, distressed debt, and multi-strategy credit. Alcentra Group is owned by The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation and is headquartered in London, with offices in New York and Boston.

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