

Media Release

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**2015 PRECLOSE TRADING STATEMENT****CONTINUED PROGRESS OF ALTERNATIVE RISK PREMIA INITIATIVE  
PRODUCT PERFORMANCE AFFECTED BY DISAPPOINTING YEAR FOR HEDGE  
FUNDS**

Gottex Fund Management Holdings Limited, an independent global asset management group (**Gottex**), announces its trading statement for the quarter ended 31 December 2015.

## Highlights:

- Following the successful launch of our first Alternative Risk Premia mandate in Q3 2015, Gottex will be appointed as investment manager of a cross-asset Risk Premia UCITS fund scheduled to launch in Q1 2016.
- While a number of our bespoke client portfolios finished the year with positive performance and ahead of traditional indices, our overall performance for the year suffered from the negative performance of core hedge fund programs during Q4 2015.
- Total fee-earning assets for the group were USD 7.36 billion compared to USD 8.25 billion at September 30 2015.
- LumRisk SA, an independent subsidiary of the group specializing in risk analysis services, continues to see significant interest from institutional investors and is in advanced discussions to provide comprehensive risk reporting services to several key clients.
- The company expects the 2015 annual results to show a significant loss (subject to audit and final review).

Commenting, Arpad Busson, Executive Chairman, stated:

*“Amidst a difficult operating climate in 2015, we are executing the strategic decision made in the second half of the year to focus the Group’s efforts in our core business of Alternative Investments. Building on this, the year also saw the successful launch in the promising area of Alternative Risk Premia with our first major mandate win. Continuing on these initiatives as well as the promising performance of our enhanced risk offering, has put us in good stead for the coming year. With our recent organizational changes and the strengthening of our teams with several key hires we are starting to see the fruits of the restructuring that should continue well into 2016, and I am confident that Gottex will make positive progress in the coming year.”*

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**Assets**

Gottex's total fee-earning assets of USD 7.36 billion at 31 December 2015 decreased by 11% compared to USD 8.25 billion at 30 September 2015.

Core assets of USD 6.73 billion (of which USD 3.23 billion are advisory assets) were down 11% when compared to USD 7.58 billion at 30 September 2015, primarily due to net outflows, the bulk of which related to the winding down of a number of legacy FoHF products. One of our existing advisory relationships increased by USD 73 million while Asian advisory assets decreased by USD 284 million as we refocus efforts on our core alternative investment strategies. Negative market performance for our hedge fund portfolios were offset by positive performance during the quarter from our multi-asset and long only products. FX and technical factors did not have a material impact.

Assets for the combined managed account platforms were down slightly during the quarter (-4%) primarily due to the closure of one account on the platform.

<b>Gottex Assets</b>	<b>Dec 2015 (USD billion)</b>	<b>Sept 2015 (USD billion)</b>	<b>% change</b>
Altern. HF Solutions <sup>1</sup>	5.71	6.20	-8%
Asian Products <sup>2</sup>	0.82	1.10	-25%
Multi-Asset Products	0.19	0.28	-33%
<b>Total GFM assets</b>	<b>6.73</b>	<b>7.58</b>	<b>-11%</b>
Managed Account Platform & Risk Services	0.64	0.66	-4%
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>7.36</b>	<b>8.25</b>	<b>-11%</b>

<sup>1</sup> Of which advisory mandates represented USD 3.23 billion as at December 2015, and USD 3.06 billion at September 2015.

<sup>2</sup> Of which advisory mandates represented USD 613 million as at December 2015, and USD 897 million at September 2015.  
Note: percentage changes and amounts are rounded.

**Other developments**

We continue to execute the streamlining of our organization and spin-off or sell other non-core activities so as to focus on our alternative investment strategies including Risk Premia products which are expected to be the future drivers of our growth. The decision to divest from non-core activities comes after careful consideration and realignment of our business objectives.

In response to strong interest in its analytical capabilities from large financial institutions, LumRisk SA, the separate subsidiary of the Group specialising in providing risk analysis services, will continue to expand its range of services throughout 2016. LumRisk has invested significantly in its technology platform to increase the number of client portfolios on which it can provide independent risk reporting and we expect to see continued growth from this division.

The company's expected 2015 annual results currently show a loss of CHF 9 to 10 million, before the impact of several exceptional items. These include the spin-off of the Penjing and other business units, the recently reported events relating to a Swiss arbitration ruling, and the isolated case of misappropriation of assets in one of our U.S. subsidiaries. We continue to work on evaluating the substantial financial impact of each of these items. We will update the

market about this on or before the announcement of the Group's 2015 annual results due on 11 April.

**Outlook**

2015 was a transitional year for Gottex marked by a significant amount of organisational and managerial change. Throughout, we have worked to focus our resources and efforts on our core Alternative Investment business, while broadening our offering to include Alternative Risk Premia. We have also expanded our risk management services and are excited by the growing interest from institutional investors in this space. We expect both initiatives to remain significant growth drivers for our firm over the next year. We continue to hold a competitive position both in the provision of sophisticated risk aggregation and reporting to large investors with complex portfolios, and in our ability to provide fiduciary services to institutions seeking to make efficient use of alternative strategies in their investment programs.

**About Gottex Fund Management Holdings Limited**

Incorporated in Guernsey, Gottex is the holding company of a leading independent global investment management group (Gottex Group), whose core business is providing predominantly multi-manager and multi-asset solutions and related advisory and risk management services to a global and diversified institutional clientele.

The Gottex Group has offices in Guernsey, Geneva (Nyon), London, Hong Kong, New York, Luxembourg, and an affiliate office in Melbourne.