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Daiwa SB Investments launches Japan Small Cap Equity UCITS

London –

Daiwa SB Investments ('DSBI') has launched its USD600 million Japanese small cap equity strategy in Europe. The Luxembourg domiciled DSBI Japan Equity Small Cap Absolute Value UCITS Fund is managed by award-winning Lead Portfolio Manager, Tatsuro Nigauri. The strategy has been in existence since 2004 on a segregated basis and has so far added circa 12% p.a. in absolute terms (to January 2017).

"We have launched the fund in response to investor demand for a high return strategy investing in small and micro cap stocks in Japan", Eiji Fukumuro, Managing Director of DSBI UK said.

"We have the expertise to make good stock selection in the overlooked small and micro cap market in Japan. Tatsuro Nigauri and his team meet 3-4 of these companies a day to really get to know them."

DSBI, headquartered in Japan manages a total of circa USD50 billion globally, and has overseas offices in London, New York, Hong Kong, Singapore and Shanghai.

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Note to editors: **Daiwa SB Investments Ltd.:**

Founded in 1973 in Tokyo, Daiwa SB Investments is one of Japan's largest and most prestigious asset managers. With 43 years specialising in investment management, Daiwa SB Investments has established a distinct investment philosophy and clear focus on generating stable returns through active management and extensive research. Its investment strategies range from large cap deep value approaches to small and micro-cap investments. From its offices in Tokyo, London, New York, Singapore and Hong Kong, there are approximately 400 employees with the firm managing more than USD50 billion for retail and institutional investors. Daiwa SB Investments is majority-owned by the Japanese financial services providers Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group and Daiwa Securities Group, two of the largest financial services companies in Japan.

The DSBI Japan Equity Small Cap Absolute Value, a Sub-Fund of the Daiwa SBI Lux Funds SICAV, aims to maximise total return over the medium-to-long term by adopting a distinctive value-biased active investment style by looking to investment for opportunities in undervalued, small-and-micro-cap companies with sustainable growth potential. The Sub-Fund is managed on an absolute/total return basis and not relative to any benchmarks, hence not looking to be managed on a relative return basis.

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