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INVESTMENT INDUSTRY LEADERS TO JOIN SUNSUPER

One of Australia's biggest super funds Sunsuper has successfully attracted ex Vanguard Group managing director and chief investment officer George U. (Gus) Sauter out of retirement in the United States to join its investment committee.

A giant of the US investment industry, Mr Sauter joined the Vanguard Group in the late 1980s and at his retirement in 2012 was directing the company's global investment management group which oversaw a mix of both active and indexed assets of about \$US2 trillion - more than the size of the current Australian superannuation system.

Mr Sauter will join one of the local investment market's leading lights, Mr Rodney Green, who also recently joined the committee. Mr Green is one of Australia's most distinguished investment professionals with more than 30 years' experience working with many of the world's leading investment brands and most pre-eminent investors in the Australian funds management industry.

Mr Green was part of the group that founded Treasury Group in 2001 where he held the position of managing director. He has also held the positions of chief investment officer at Perpetual Investments and joint managing director and chief investment officer at Citicorp Global Asset Management.

CEO Scott Hartley said he believed Sunsuper was one of the first superannuation businesses in the country to benefit from the participation of global investment expert on its investment committee of the calibre of Mr Sauter.

"Both Mr Sauter and Mr Green's appointments represent a major coup for Sunsuper and are a step forward in our bid to make our investment committee one of the most experienced in the country," Mr Hartley said.

"Our aim is to be industry-leading in terms of our investment capability and Mr Sauter and Mr Green's extensive experience across the global investment industry will be instrumental in terms of helping us to maximise opportunities to grow the portfolio on behalf of members.

"Their insight and judgement will prove invaluable as we continue to execute our strategy of investing in a broad range of asset classes, dynamic asset allocation, and pursuing innovative investment opportunities - all while maintaining a strong emphasis on governance and maximising members' returns," Mr Hartley said.

Sunsuper investment committee chair Paul Lahiff welcomed Mr Sauter and Mr Green to the company and said their appointments - together with last year's engagement of new directors Michael Traill, ex-chief executive of Social Ventures Australia (SVA) and former Macquarie Bank executive director, and Andrew Fraser, ex-Queensland Treasurer to the committee - brought extra firepower to the team.

"There is no doubt that their values underpinned by a strong member focus, as well as their extensive investment acumen will perfectly augment the depth of capability that already exists within Sunsuper's investment team," Mr Lahiff said.

Sunsuper manages \$33 billion in funds under management for more than one million members.

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