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## Maple-Brown Abbott appoints chief operating officer

**- For immediate release -**

As part of its ongoing growth and evolution, Maple-Brown Abbott has appointed Melanie McQuire as chief operating officer, reporting to CEO and managing director Sophia Rahmani.

In the newly formulated COO role, Ms McQuire will be responsible for the operating and technology strategy and platform of the business. In addition, she will oversee product and platform management across MBA's Australian managed investment schemes, UCITS platform and institutional and high net worth mandates.

Ms Rahmani said Ms McQuire's appointment significantly builds on what is already a strong team, at a time where Maple-Brown Abbott is focusing on continuing to evolve, diversify and grow.

"Melanie has outstanding experience in the financial services industry, as a chief operating officer for a global investment firm and equities product manager, as well as her work with separately managed accounts.

"She brings wide range of expertise and knowledge to the role, which will be a good fit with the broader Maple-Brown Abbott team as we continue our growth plans both domestically and offshore," Ms Rahmani said.

Ms McQuire joins Maple-Brown Abbott from Lazard Asset Management, where she spent eight years, most recently as chief operating officer, Asia Pacific. Prior to this she was with Macquarie Asset Management as product manager for listed equities for seven years, and she has also worked with ING Investment Management focusing on separately managed account relationships.

Ms McQuire has a degree in International Finance from Griffith University, a Diploma in Digital Marketing and a Graduate Diploma of Applied Finance.



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## ***About Maple-Brown Abbott Global Listed Infrastructure Pty Ltd***

Maple-Brown Abbott Global Listed Infrastructure (MBA GLI) was founded in 2012 in conjunction with Maple-Brown Abbott, an Australian boutique investment management firm. MBA GLI is majority owned by its co-founders and today manages over AUD5bn for clients across North America, Europe, the Middle East and Asia Pacific regions, focussing on concentrated portfolios of listed infrastructure securities that exhibit core infrastructure characteristics. The team has extensive infrastructure and asset management experience, including the co-founders working together for a number of years before starting the strategy at MBA.

Maple-Brown Abbott (MBA) has been managing investment portfolios for institutional investors for over 35 years. MBA is privately owned, with approximately 60 staff based in Sydney and one in Brisbane. As at 31 May 2020, MBA had A\$10.8 billion in assets under management across Australian equities, Asian equities and the listed infrastructure strategy.

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