



## Edmond de Rothschild Asset Management makes a strategic move into the Quant space

- **Significant development includes recruitment of a 6-strong quant team based in Paris and Geneva**
- **New active strategies based on mathematical models and data, to complement traditional active fund range**

Edmond de Rothschild Asset Management is adding a new investment expertise to its existing capability with the recruitment of an active management quant team. Headed by industry veteran Bruno Taillardat, it includes senior quant portfolio managers, Xavier Marconnet and Frédéric Girod, who will be joined by 2 quantitative portfolio managers and a quant research analyst.

The new quant team will build an active return strategy with a decision-making process, based on advanced mathematical models and using computer-driven algorithms & machine learning. The new product range will complement Edmond de Rothschild AM's traditional active management product range with an additional risk/return mechanism.

**Bruno Taillardat, Head of Quantitative portfolio management**, has a 25 year track record in quant investing. He joins from Amundi Paris where held the same role since 2016. Prior to that he was Head of Equity Investments and Quantitative & Fundamental Research at Unigestion for 9 years. Bruno started his career in 1998 at Paribas Asset Management in the US Equities team as a quant analyst, and was made Head of International Equity Quantitative research in 2003. Bruno has a post-graduate degree in mathematics from Aix-Marseille University and has completed a certificate in Sustainable Finance from the Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership (CISL). Bruno lectures on quantitative and factor investing at Edhec Business School.

Bruno will be based in Geneva, reporting to Edmond de Rothschild AM's CIO Benjamin Melman, and will start on November 1<sup>st</sup> 2025.

**Xavier Marconnet, Lead Quantitative portfolio manager**, joins from Unigestion where he led the "Core AI" active equity strategies, focusing on the integration of machine learning and responsible investing. Xavier graduated from Edinburgh Napier University with a first-class degree in Software Engineering and Applied Physics. Xavier has 20 years' experience in quantitative development, strategy execution and algorithmic trading. He is a Chartered AI Investment Analyst (CAI).

**Frédéric Girod, Quantitative analyst and portfolio manager**, joins from Koch Supply & Trading. Previously, he was a Quantitative Analyst/Data Scientist at UEFA and founded Anaxagore Advanced Analytics, where he developed data-driven strategies focusing on derivatives. Frederic has a background in financial markets and quantitative trading from 9 years at Unigestion. He started his career as a proprietary

trader at CIC. Frederic degrees include an MSc in International Finance, a degree in Computational Finance and certifications in Machine Learning and Hadoop.

Xavier Marconnet and Frédéric Girod will also start on November 1st 2025, will be based in Geneva and report to Bruno Taillardat.

**Christophe Caspar, CEO of Edmond de Rothschild Asset Management said:** *“We are pleased to welcome Bruno and his team to Edmond de Rothschild. Their experience and track record will complement our existing active investment capabilities and extend the range of our offering. AI and machine learning are gaining momentum in quantitative investing, and are increasingly used for predictive modelling, and portfolio optimization. Quantitative methods also offer the flexibility, scalability, and precision needed to deliver highly tailored ESG strategies to investors. We will aim to create a range of products aligned with institutional and retail/private client’s needs which incorporate these characteristics.”*

Edmond de Rothschild AM manages €107<sup>1</sup> billion AuM on behalf of institutional clients and distributors.

#### **About Edmond de Rothschild**

Edmond de Rothschild is an investment house founded on the conviction that, when harnessed for the good of the real economy, wealth can have a meaningful impact and help to rejuvenate the concept of progress.

Driven by a culture of financial foresight for nearly three centuries, Edmond de Rothschild specialises in private banking and asset management, boasting recognised expertise in its main business lines of: wealth management, wealth engineering, life insurance, services for independent wealth managers, corporate finance, private equity, real estate, infrastructure, liquid strategies, and fund administration. The 100% family ownership structure gives the investment house real independence, serving to align with the interests of its clients and fostering the emergence of financial solutions adapted to the specific needs of a client base of families, entrepreneurs and institutional investors. At 31 December 2024, the Edmond de Rothschild Group had over CHF 184 billion in assets under management and a robust balance sheet with a CET1 of 19.7%. With more than 2,700 employees in 29 global locations, it ranks as a key player in the main markets where it operates, including Geneva, Luxembourg, Paris and Monaco.

Edmond de Rothschild is at the heart of a unique ecosystem of businesses ranging from farming, wine-making and hospitality to family philanthropic activities, the Gitana offshore racing team and the perfume house Caron.

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