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## **RALPH WOODFORD BA, CA, ASIP-CFA (UK)**

Ralph is a co-founder and Director of ICG Management Limited (“ICG”) a Cayman Islands based company licensed by the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority to carry on the business of company management. ICG specialises in providing independent director services to the alternative investment industry.

Ralph has over 25 years’ experience in the Investment Management & financial services industry, with specialties in asset management, risk & operations, audit and corporate governance of offshore funds. Ralph acts as an Independent Director for leading alternative asset managers globally. He has developed extensive experience working with large alternative asset managers and advising emerging manager start-ups over the past 15 years. He has a deep understanding of accounting, valuation processes, legal and regulatory issues impacting the alternative investment industry.

He was formerly Managing Director of Caledonian Directors, a boutique director services business. He built the firm’s operational infrastructure and was responsible for establishing the corporate governance overview of an extensive range of hedge fund & private equity funds. Ralph works with alternative asset managers, across a wide range of investment strategies.

Prior to moving to the Cayman Islands Ralph joined Edinburgh Fund Managers plc (now Standard Life Aberdeen) in 1994, as a portfolio manager. He has extensive experience in equity research, asset allocation and risk management across both developed and emerging Markets. He focused initially on UK equities research and moved to the Asian desk, co-managing close to \$1bn.

Ralph holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Accounting & Finance (Distinction) from Heriot Watt University. He started his career in 1989 with EY, where he qualified and became a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland. Ralph is also a member of the Cayman Islands Institute of Professional Accountants. Ralph qualified as a Portfolio Manager in 1995 and was admitted to The Institute of Investment Management and Research a member of CFA UK.