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## AllianzGI plans leadership changes

- Andreas Utermann to retire as CEO as part of succession plan to take effect 1 January 2020
- Tobias C. Pross to take over as CEO of AllianzGI
- Deborah Zurkow to become Global Head of Investments

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Allianz Global Investors (AllianzGI) announced today leadership changes that will take effect on 1 January 2020 as part of the firm's succession plan.

Tobias C. Pross, currently Global Head of Distribution, and Deborah Zurkow, currently Global Head of Alternatives, will succeed Andreas Utermann as CEO and Global Head of Investments, respectively. Andreas Utermann will be available to the leadership of the firm on an advisory basis for the first six months of 2020.

Andreas Utermann joined Allianz in 2002, initially to help build a world class multi boutique investment organisation. Since 2012, he has led AllianzGI – first as co-head and Global CIO and since 2016 as CEO – establishing a globally integrated investment firm dedicated to active management. Under Andreas Utermann's leadership, AllianzGI has built out its Fixed Income and Alternatives platforms, strengthened its advisory capabilities and established itself as a leader in Sustainable investing.

With over 20 years of experience within Allianz Group, Tobias Pross has been instrumental in the development of AllianzGI's client-centric business strategy, which has seen it enter into and strengthen a number of its distribution channels and place a strong emphasis on advice and superior client experience. He has been a member of AllianzGI's global executive committee since 2015.

Since joining AllianzGI in 2012, initially to establish its Infrastructure Debt capability, Deborah Zurkow has overseen the rapid growth of its Alternatives platform, which now accounts for over EUR 70bn in assets under management. She has championed the opportunity for institutional clients to co-invest alongside Allianz in a number of AllianzGI's private market strategies. Deborah has been a member of AllianzGI's global executive committee since 2016.

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