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Press Release

GAM Holding AG: update on first-half 2020 results

GAM today provided an update in accordance with the obligations under the listing rules of the SIX Swiss Exchange (article 53), in relation to the Group's expected results for the first half of 2020.

This update is as a result of expected impairment charges on intangible assets driven by the impact of Covid-19 on the Group's assets under management.

The Group expects to recognise non-cash impairment charges of approximately CHF 410 million, net of tax, mainly related to goodwill which was primarily created by the acquisition of GAM by Julius Baer in 2005 and UBS in 1999.

Therefore, the Group expects to report an IFRS net loss for the first half of 2020 of approximately CHF 400 million, compared to the restated CHF 49.7 million net loss in the first half of 2019.

In addition, the Group expects to report an underlying loss before tax of approximately CHF 3 million compared to a CHF 2.1 million profit for the first half of 2019.

GAM is well capitalised with a debt-free balance sheet. The impairment charges do not impact the Group's tangible equity, its cash position or any client related or operational functions.

GAM has continued to see a stabilisation in client flows following the impacts of Covid-19 in the first quarter of 2020. Total assets under management were CHF 118.9 billion¹ as at 31 May 2020, with Investment Management at CHF 36.6 billion and Private Labelling at CHF 82.3 billion, compared to CHF 112.1 billion¹, (Investment Management CHF 35.7 billion and Private Labelling CHF 76.4 billion) as at 31 March 2020.

GAM will announce its full half year results on 4 August 2020.

Pete Sanderson, Group CEO, said: "We continue to see stabilisation with materially lower net asset outflows after the disruption in March caused by Covid, as well as high levels of client engagement and improvements in the investment performance of our funds. We are making good progress in implementing our strategic plan with our focus on the new SimCorp technology platform as well as delivering cost reductions of at least CHF 65 million. Despite the current challenging conditions, GAM's avenues for growth remain robust."

¹ Including CHF 0.3 billion of money market funds, which GAM agreed to sell to ZKB as announced with the H1 2019 results.

Upcoming events:

04 August 2020 **Half-year results 2020**
21 October 2020 **Q3 2020 Interim management statement**

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