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VanMac Group launches innovative multi-asset alternative fund

The recent market turmoil has provided great opportunities for innovative investment vehicles to come to the fore, according to VanMac Group, Managing Director, Scott A J MacDonald.

“Long/short hedge funds are not the only options available to investors,” he says. “In the Greenwich Investable Hedge Fund index, (which has for continually outperformed all major equity indices) equity-related strategy styles account for less than 45 percent of funds tracked among some 18 investment styles.

“Hedge funds are not homogenous and not all hedge fund investments relate to equities or long/short strategies.”

With that in mind, Mr MacDonald believes it is a good time for institutional investors to look into multi-hedge fund platforms.

“Essentially we are talking about taking a traditional endowment fund model and offering a locally-compliant version that ticks all of the right asset allocation boxes,” he says.

“If recent events have shown us anything, it’s that while there has been huge amounts of capital invested in traditional investment management vehicles, plainly not everyone has the skill to make them work over the long term, and buffer themselves against market volatility.

“We believe it is the right time for institutional portfolio managers to change their approach to investing in alternatives, and we at VanMac Group can offer our local wisdom, innovative approach backed up by the strength of Greenwich Alternative Investments LLC, due diligence and research.”

VanMac Group are also co-hosting ‘Hedge Funds 2008’ in Sydney on 19th November with international speakers from USA and Hong Kong to provide an up to date commentary on the current state of play within the global hedge fund industry.

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