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### CHOM CAPITAL Active Return Europe UI receives the quality standard for sustainable investments (FNG-Label)

- Award of FNG-Label 2021 with two stars for the flagship fund of the Frankfurt based asset manager
- Holistic approach achieves maximum score for "institutional credibility"
- The fund manufacturer sees sustainability as a key performance component

**Frankfurt am Main, 26. November 2020** – The asset management boutique CHOM CAPITAL receives the sustainability label of the Forum Nachhaltiger Geldanlagen (FNG), the Sustainable Investment Forum of German speaking countries, for its flagship fund [CHOM CAPITAL Active Return Europe UI](#) (CARE). At this year's award ceremony, the European equity fund is awarded a total of two out of three possible stars as a high-quality sustainability fund for its fundamentally driven holistic approach upon its first certification audit. This rating is reserved for sustainability strategies that have excelled in the areas of "institutional credibility", "product standards" and "impact" (stock selection, engagement and KPIs). The independent and renowned label thus certifies that the asset manager clearly exceeds the required strict minimum ESG standards with regards to transparency criteria and the consideration of environmental protection, labour and human rights, as well as various other sustainability criteria in the investment process.

"A deep fundamental understanding and many years of professional experience in the valuation of companies are necessary to find real sustainability leaders. It is crucial to look ahead to identify future potentials. This is our particular core competence and an important added value for our clients," explains Christoph Benner, CEO of the owner-managed CHOM CAPITAL. "It is reassuring to see that our holistic approach has already been awarded two stars. We are particularly pleased with the maximum score in the category for "institutional credibility", because it shows that we not only preach ESG, but also live up to its implications."

From the fund manufacturer's perspective sustainability is a key performance component for investors. By allocating sustainable companies, investors not only participate in their growing sales potential and lower financing costs. The enormous demand also leads to higher valuations. "Nevertheless, the dynamic wave is only just beginning. Despite exponential growth, the share of sustainable funds is only in the single-digit range," comments Christoph Benner on the future prospects.

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#### **About CHOM CAPITAL**

CHOM CAPITAL is an owner-operated asset management boutique, committed to serving the interests of its investors. Unhampered by rigid corporate guidelines or index affiliation, our success is based on deep fundamental and ESG analysis. All three partners have been working together successfully in the capital market business for more than 30 years and are equally committed to the company and the launched funds with their own money.

With the funds [CHOM CAPITAL Active Return Europe UI](#) (WKN A1JCWS) and [CHOM CAPITAL PURE Small Cap Europe UI](#) (WKN A2JF7P) investors have the opportunity to map all European market capitalization sizes. CHOM CAPITAL is a signatory of the UN-PRI and the European Transparency Code. Furthermore, CHOM CAPITAL is a member of the Forum Nachhaltiger Geldanlagen (FNG) as well as the European Sustainable and Responsible Investment Forum (EUROSIF) and holds the yourSRI transparency seal.

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#### **About FNG-Label:**

As a quality standard in German-speaking countries, the FNG-Label supports investors in their search for solid, professionally managed sustainability funds. The sustainability investment style, the associated investment process, the associated ESG research capacities and any accompanying engagement process are analyzed and evaluated by means of independent audits by the University of Hamburg. The FNG-Label therefore goes far beyond simply looking at the portfolio; it takes a holistic look at the fund. Successfully certified funds meet a strict minimum standard in terms of transparency criteria and the consideration of environmental protection, labor and human rights in the investment process. Particularly high-quality sustainability strategies that stand out in the areas of “institutional credibility”, “product standards” and “impact” (stock selection, engagement and KPIs) can also receive up to three stars.

You can find detailed information on the methodology here: [FNG-Methodology](#).

More Information about the FNG-Label: [www.fng-siegel.org](http://www.fng-siegel.org).

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