

Press release

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Fortis MeesPierson becomes MeesPierson

The private banking activities of Fortis Bank Nederland will operate officially under the name MeesPierson as from 15 January 2009.

“Now that we are no longer part of Fortis, the public company, the addition of the Fortis brandname is no longer required,” says MeesPierson CEO Fred Bos.

“The MeesPierson brand is backed by a long tradition and is a well-established name in the financial sector. It is also valued highly by our clients and staff. The name change was therefore an obvious decision,” he adds.

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