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Emerging markets expert Mark Mobius to speak at regional conference in Manila

Dr. Mark Mobius, one of the leading world experts on investments and a regular commentator on Bloomberg and CNBC, is set to deliver the keynote address during the prestigious annual Pacific Region Investment Conference to be held this October in Manila. The conference is organized by the Asia Pacific Association for Fiduciary Studies.

Known for his extensive research and in-depth experience in investing in emerging markets, Dr. Mobius is currently the executive chairman of Templeton Asset Management Ltd and lead portfolio manager of several Templeton Emerging Markets Funds. He was named one of the "Top 100 Most Powerful and Influential People" by Asiamoney magazine in 2006. He received his Ph.D in Economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

According to Dan Roland, executive director of APAFS, "Emerging markets is an asset class that has gained a lot of attention recently for its performance. More of our institutional fund members are looking at the impact this mandate may have on their portfolio."

APAFS chairman Gerard Cruz said, "Having Dr. Mobius speak about emerging markets is like having Bill Gates speak about the future of computer systems. Powerful people pay to listen to his advice, we are fortunate to have him address our group."

The annual Pacific Region Investment Conference will be held in Manila for the fourth time in its 10-year history. It is a highly-esteemed investment conference where financial executives and professionals as well as regional public and private benefit funds and other institutional investors converge to learn from world-class experts and gain regional understanding of current economic issues.

The 9th Pacific Region Investment Conference is slated to be held in Oct. 8 and 9 this year. For updates, inquiries and interested parties, log on to www.apafs.org.

The Asia Pacific Association for Fiduciary Studies is a non-profit educational association with the aim of providing educational forums for fiduciaries in the region. It was formed by board members and trustees of institutional funds throughout Asia in 2000. ***(APAFS)***

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