

CEO Transition at RPM

Stockholm (HedgeNordic) – Swedish CTA specialist RPM Risk & Portfolio Management has appointed Per Ivarsson, the firm's Head of Investment Management, as its new CEO. Ivarsson succeeds founder Mikael Stenbom, who has decided to step down from the role. Stenbom, a majority owner and founding partner since RPM's inception in 1993, will remain active in the firm and its Board of Directors, with a focus on investment strategies and business development.

Per Ivarsson has spent over 20 years at RPM in various roles, including key positions in IT, Operations, and Investment Management. As of January 1, 2025, he transitioned from his role as Head of Investment Management to Chief Executive Officer. "Per's deep understanding of RPM's business, combined with his extensive experience, positions him well to lead RPM into its next phase of growth and innovation," says Mikael Stenbom. Ivarsson, in turn, expresses his gratitude, stating, "We'd like to thank Mikael for his leadership and look forward to his continued contributions in his new capacity."

"I'm thrilled to step into my new role as CEO during such a dynamic time for the CTA industry," Ivarsson tells HedgeNordic. "Once again, CTAs are proving their value as the most effective complement to traditional stocks and bonds," he adds. "At RPM, we're proud to enhance our comprehensive offerings, ranging from direct fund investments and tailored investment solutions to OCIO and risk consulting services. As always, we're committed to delivering value and innovation to our clients."

Founded in 1993, RPM is a Swedish asset management firm specializing in CTA strategies. RPM manages the multi-CTA RPM Evolving CTA Fund, which aims to identify, evaluate, and invest in trend-following or CTA managers globally. These managers share a common ability to excel during periods of significant price trends, often coinciding with shifts in the economic climate. Beyond fund management, RPM provides customized fund solutions for large institutions, comprehensive risk management services, and serves as an Independent Risk Function for several Swedish hedge funds.

In connection with Ivarsson's appointment as CEO, Magnus Kottenauer, previously Chief Operating Officer (COO), has taken on the role of Deputy CEO. Ivarsson's former position as Head of Investment Management has been filled by Alexander Mende, RPM's long-standing senior investment analyst. The firm's Investment Management Committee will remain unchanged.