

Willis Expands in South Africa

Willis Group today announces that its subsidiary Willis South Africa (pty) Ltd, is to expand its operations with the opening of an office in Cape Town. It has recently recruited two senior executives to establish its presence in the Cape area.

Chris Nivison who joins the Group on 1 September will head the Cape Town office. He has considerable knowledge of the local market having previously worked for several years in Cape Town as a senior executive with a South African brokerage. He will be supported by Cheryl Donald who joined the Group in June. Cheryl brings important marine skills and comes to Willis as part of an agreement with Neptune Risk Management (Cape) (Pty) Limited whose business in this region is being transferred to Willis.

Mark Floyd; CEO of Willis South Africa said: "We are delighted to be in the Cape. We see this as a further progression of our plans to expand our product offerings and broaden our client base in South Africa. We are delighted to have recruited Chris and Cheryl to the company. They are excellently qualified to help us achieve our ambitious growth targets."

The Willis Group is a major provider of insurance broking, risk management advisory and other services to companies and organizations throughout the world. It holds global market leadership positions in such prominent industries as aerospace, chemicals and energy, as well as being a major broker to the international construction sector. It is one of the most trusted names in marine insurance and is the world's foremost fine art, specie and jewellery specialist.

Willis, together with its associates, employs 13,000 people and is represented through a network of some 300 offices in 74 countries. Each office in this global network has access to the Group's full resources and range of expertise to meet local clients' particular needs.

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