

MEDIA RELEASE

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Azure Capital promotes Ben Sloman to Partner



Azure Capital is pleased to announce the promotion of Ben Sloman to Partner, further strengthening the firm's senior leadership team and supporting the continued growth of its national advisory business.

Ben has over 15 years' experience providing M&A and strategic advice to public and private companies in Australia and internationally. He has worked with clients in a range of industries, with a particular focus on healthcare, business services and energy transition.

Since joining Azure in 2023 from Gresham Partners, Ben has worked closely with a number of important sponsor clients including Five V, I-Squared, Mirova and Adamantem.

Azure's Managing Partner, Richie Baston, said: *"Azure has a clear strategy, with the strong support of our major shareholder Natixis CIB, to selectively grow our advisory offering in the areas of infrastructure, natural resources and industrial services, with a particular focus on working with financial sponsors."*

Ben's experience, strong values, trusted relationships and sector expertise closely align with our strategy. His promotion reflects the leadership and success he has shown over the last three years in our Sydney team."

Ben Sloman said: *"I'm excited to join the Azure Partnership group. I was drawn to Azure by its values, clear strategy and unique value proposition ... combining the best features of a boutique adviser and ownership mindset, with the global connectivity and financial strength of Azure's major shareholder, Natixis CIB."*

Azure will continue to assess opportunities to add additional accretive sector verticals, especially where advisers bring deep sector knowledge and value to clients.

About Azure Capital

Azure Capital is a leading Australian corporate advisory firm with offices in Perth, Sydney and Melbourne. Established in 2004, we provide a wide range of advisory services including mergers and acquisitions, capital markets and equity and debt financing transactions.

Our team of corporate finance professionals is led by experienced senior advisers with detailed sector knowledge and extensive transaction experience. We focus on building lasting client relationships by delivering advice that is objective, analytically driven and responsive to our clients' needs. Through long-term partnerships, we develop a detailed understanding of our clients' industries, strategies, decision-making processes and, most importantly, their people.

Azure Capital is an independently operated affiliate of Natixis CIB, and part of an international multi-boutique M&A network of +600 professionals, allowing us to provide the focus and dedicated service of a boutique adviser, with the support of a large global financial institution.

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