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LAPFF Renews PIRC Contract

The Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF) has announced the reappointment of PIRC Limited as its Research and Engagement Partner, following a tender process. **Clir Doug McMurdo**, chair of LAPFF said "I am delighted to announce that PIRC has been successful in securing our research and engagement partner contract for a further five years. PIRC were first appointed in 1998 and have been successful at each subsequent tender review."

PIRC are tasked with delivering an increasingly complex and broad ranging work programme of Responsible Investment, including company research, engagement and shareowner initiatives, by the Forum Executive. The Forum has 82 LGPS scheme members and six asset Pooling companies, with assets of over £300 billion.

Speaking about the appointment **Alan MacDougall**, PIRC's managing director, said "We are proud to have retained LAPFF as a client and we look forward to implementing the innovative and challenging activities of the work programme for the Forum Executive over the next phase of LAPFF's development."

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About the Local Authority Pension Fund Forum: The Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF), founded in 1991, is a voluntary association of 82 public sector pension funds and six asset Pool companies, based in the UK with combined assets over £300 billion. It exists to 'promote the long-term investment interests of local authority pension funds, and to maximise their influence as shareholders to promote corporate responsibility and high standards of corporate governance amongst the companies in which they invest.' www.lapfforum.org.

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