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FALCON PRIVATE BANK – POLE POSITION AGAIN FOR FALCON GOLD EQUITY FUND AT THE LIPPER FUND AWARDS 2012

Zurich, Switzerland, 1 February 2012 – Falcon Gold Equity Fund has again received the prize for the best fund over five years in the Equities, Gold and Precious Metals sector at the Lipper Fund Awards 2012.

With its excellent long-term track record, the Falcon Gold Equity Fund has been one of the leaders in its category for years. The fund invests predominantly in shares of gold mining companies worldwide, but may also invest up to 25% of its assets in companies that are primarily active in the exploration, processing and marketing of other precious metals.

“Winning the Lipper Fund Award for the fourth time in succession reinforces our global positioning as an expert provider of fine private banking solutions for our clients” says Eduardo Leemann, CEO of Falcon Private Bank.

The fund is managed by Van Eck Associates Corporation, based in New York. Van Eck was founded in 1955 and was one of the first US asset managers to help investors enjoy the benefits of diversification by investing internationally.

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