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IOSCO announces start of 9th edition of World Investor Week, 6-12 October 2025

IOSCO's World Investor Week (WIW) is a week-long global campaign to raise awareness of the importance of investor education and protection, and to highlight the various initiatives of securities regulators in these two critical areas.

Kicking off on 6 October 2025, and with the support of the G20 Presidency, WIW2025 brings together organizations from over 100 jurisdictions to drive awareness around trending issues which impact investors around the world.

This year's main themes include **Digital Finance** and **Crypto Assets**, the impact of **new Technologies and AI**, prevention from **Fraud & Scam** and the **Basics of Investing**. They align with IOSCO's <u>Roadmap for Retail Investor Online Safety</u>.

"In today's fast-paced markets, technology is transforming how people invest. For students and young investors, digital platforms are now often the gateway into the world of investing, and very convenient. But convenience is not enough. Smart investors stick to the basics: doing careful research, staying diversified, and being prepared for unexpected events."

- IOSCO Board Chair **Jean-Paul Servais**, who also serves as Chair of the Belgium Financial Services & Markets Authority

Mr Camille Beaudoin, Director, Financial Education Expertise and Partnerships, AMF Québec and Chair of IOSCO's Committee leading this year's campaign, added:

"Where scams are concerned, relationship investment scams in particular are estimated to have caused people to lose tens of billions of dollars globally. WIW 2025's anti-fraud relationship investment scams campaign, made possible by the

support of many well-established organisations around the globe, aims to inform investors about the warning signs of these scams and help empower them with information to protect themselves."

As in previous years, WIW2O25 will be supported by a number of partner organizations including the Financial Standards Planning Board's (FSPB) bespoke 'World Financial Planning Day' (October 8) and the World Federation of Exchanges who encourage members to 'Ring the Bell' for WIW2O25.

Additional information, list of participants and events, and ways to join can be found at www.worldinvestorweek.org and on social media (Linkedin and X).

About IOSCO

- The International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO) is the leading international policy forum for securities regulators and the global standard setter for financial markets regulation. It develops, implements and promotes adherence to internationally recognized standards for financial markets regulation and works closely with other international organizations on the global regulatory reform agenda.
- The organization's membership regulates more than 95% of the world's securities markets in some 130 jurisdictions. By providing high quality technical assistance, education and training, IOSCO supports its members to come together to achieve the following three objectives.
 - Enhance investor protection;
 - Ensure markets are fair and efficient;
 - Promote financial stability by reducing systemic risk.
- 3. The IOSCO Board is the governing and standard-setting body of IOSCO and is made up of 35 securities regulators. Mr. Jean-Paul Servais, the Chair of Belgium's Financial Services and Markets Authority (FSMA) is the Chair of the IOSCO Board. Shigeru Ariizumi, Vice Minister for International Affairs, Financial Services Agency, Japan, and Dr Mohamed Farid Saleh, Executive Chairman of the Financial Regulatory Authority, Egypt, are the Vice-Chairs of IOSCO Board.

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About World Investor Week

IOSCO's World Investor Week has two primary objectives, namely (i) to disseminate key messages that support investor education, investor protection and financial literacy; and (ii) to foster learning opportunities for investors. The campaign also aims to strengthen collaboration among IOSCO members on investor education and protection initiatives.

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