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**Everbright Securities International Clinches Top Honors at Bloomberg
Businessweek/Chinese Edition Financial Institutions Awards 2024
Excellence Recognized: "Securities Company of the Year" and "Wealth Management
Platform" Awards**

Hong Kong, June 21, 2024 – China Everbright Securities International Limited ("Everbright Securities International", "EBSI" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that the Company has once again achieved top honors at the Bloomberg Businessweek/Chinese Edition 2024 Financial Institutions Awards. For the fourth consecutive year, EBSI has been awarded the highest accolades in the "Securities Company of the Year – Excellence Award" and "Wealth Management Platform – Excellence Award". These awards showcased the company's exceptional capabilities and competitive edge in the fields of securities services and wealth management businesses.

Securities Company of the Year – Excellence Award

Despite the challenges faced in 2023, including global market volatility, a high-interest environment, and a significant slowdown in Hong Kong IPO activities, EBSI demonstrated resilience and competitiveness in a bear market. The Hang Seng Index saw a four-year decline from 2020 to 2023, impacting trading volumes in the Hong Kong stock market. Nevertheless, the Company's securities trading volume on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange continued to rank within the top 10%. Additionally, despite the sharp decrease in Hong Kong IPO activities in 2023, the Company successfully assisted multiple Chinese enterprises in overseas listings, raising a total of over US\$880 million in 2023 with a remarkable year-on-year increase of 132%. Furthermore, the Company saw revenue growth in products such as stock options, insurance, fixed income, and bonds.

With 55 years of experience and having weathered through highs and lows throughout various economic cycles, the Company has embraced diversified products and flexible strategic deployment, resulting in continuous growth in customized wealth management accounts for high-net-worth individuals, even in volatile market conditions.

EBSI also places great importance on investor education and employee training. In addition to hosting investment seminars to keep clients abreast of new market trends, the Company launched the "EB Meeting Room" series of short videos in early 2023, which are broadcast weekly on YouTube and Facebook. The contents cover global, Mainland China, and Hong Kong investment strategies, market analysis, and the latest market trends. Through collaborations with product issuers, the videos deepen investors' understanding of the operational modes and the associated risks and returns of different products. In terms of employee training, the company increased the total number of internal training sessions on sales, compliance, and human resources topics by 48% to ensure that employees stay up to date with market and product trends.

Wealth Management Platform – Excellence Award

EBSI's Wealth Management business, operating under the "EBSI Wealth" brand and other service brands, remains the focus of the Company's development. In response to last year's U.S. interest

rate hikes and the decline in the Hong Kong stock market, the Company introduced highly principal-protected products to help clients capitalize on the high interest rate environment. Additionally, the Company introduced principal-protected structured products linked to indices and stocks in collaboration with international investment banks for professional investors, providing 100% capital protection while achieving asset appreciation. Insurance products emerged as an optimal wealth preservation solution in highly uncertain investment markets, resulting in a 29% year-on-year growth in EBSI's insurance premiums in 2023, accompanied by a notable 90% surge in the number of mega policies. Through steady progress, the Company's expanded product platform, timely market analysis, and strategic asset allocation have been highly recognized by clients. The number of high-net-worth clients and new account openings grew by over 18% and nearly 30%, respectively, in a bear market.

The Company also saw an approximately 11% increase in the number of wealth management products last year, totaling over 3,200, among which bond products grew by 25% while ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) related products increased from around 500 to over 600. These diversified products cater to the needs of different customers at various stages of financial planning, enabling clients to maximize potential returns while balancing risks.

Everbright Securities International has been honored with the Bloomberg Businessweek/Chinese Edition Financial Institutions Awards for eight consecutive years, consistently receiving the highest "Excellence Award" over the past four years. This recognition demonstrates the Company's ability to weather storms. The Company will continue to uphold its business philosophy of "Based in Hong Kong with Global Vision", providing world-class comprehensive financial services and striving to become a leading wealth management brand in the Greater Bay Area.



Mr. William Yeung (left), Deputy Chief Executive Officer of EBSI, receives the "Securities Company of the Year – Excellence Award" from Ms. Ka Shi Lau, BBS (right), Chairman of Hong Kong Trustees' Association.



Ms. Ada Ng (left),
Managing Director, Head of Wealth Management,
receives the “Wealth Management Platform – Excellence Award”
from Ms. Ka Shi Lau, BBS (right),
Chairman of Hong Kong Trustees’ Association.



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About Everbright Securities International

Everbright Securities International* (“EBSI”) is a leading financial services institution. As an international business platform of Everbright Securities Company Limited (“Everbright Securities”, SSE: 601788, HKEX: 6178), EBSI is engaged in five key businesses: Wealth Management, Corporate Finance & Capital Markets, Institutional Business, Asset Management, and Investment & Financing, serving individuals, corporations and institutions in Hong Kong, Macau, Mainland China and the U.K.

Operating under the “Everbright Securities International” brand and business brand “EBSI Wealth”, as well as service brands “EBSI Private”, “EBSI Direct” and “EBSI Forex”, EBSI is a full-fledged financial platform providing excellent global financial products and services with Moody’s “Baa3” long-term issuer and “Prime-3” short-term issuer credit ratings.

Established in 1996, Everbright Securities is one of the first three innovative pilot companies approved by the China Securities Regulatory Commission. It is also the core financial service platform of Fortune Global 500 company China Everbright Group Co., Ltd. (“China Everbright Group”). Backed by China Everbright Group and Everbright Securities, coupled with its more than 50 years of international financial experience, EBSI is committed to becoming an influential first-class wealth management brand adhering to the business philosophy of “Hong Kong based, Bay Area exposure, global vision”.

EBSI has customer assets of about HK\$67 billion**. For more information, please visit www.ebshk.com.

** EBSI refers to the group of companies including China Everbright Securities International Company Limited, Everbright Securities International (HK) Limited and their respective subsidiaries, associated and affiliated companies.*

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