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**Everbright Securities International's Everbright Income Focus Fund
Awarded highest Morningstar rating of 5 stars
Top 10% of the best performing funds in the category**

Hong Kong, May 24, 2021 — Everbright Securities International is pleased to announce that its **Everbright Income Focus Fund** has proudly received from authoritative mutual fund rating agency Morningstar the highest 5-star rating in both overall and 3-year performance ratings, highlighting the Everbright Income Focus Fund's outstanding performance and promising risk-adjusted returns, as well as the superior investment capabilities of the fund manager.

Everbright Income Focus Fund, incepted on April 3, 2018, is a fixed income fund product that invests in investment-grade bonds issued in countries and regions included in the MSCI World Index. The fund has four major investment characteristics as follows: flexible investment strategy with stable income; diversified investments and efficient allocation of positions; active risk management that reduces performance volatility; and rigorous credit selection and value analysis. As of March 31, 2021, **Everbright Income Focus Fund** has had a return since inception of 18.88%.

Currently, there are 10,509 Morningstar-rated products in Hong Kong, of which fewer than 8% are given the highest 5-star rating. Among the 5-star rated products, 10 are from Chinese companies, of which fixed-income fund products account for just four, with the newly crowned **Everbright Income Focus Fund** being one of them and the other three from well-known long-established Chinese fund managers. **Everbright Income Focus Fund** has stood out from such exceptionally keen competition on the back of strength and competence. This shows Everbright Securities International's asset management business*, after several years of deep cultivation, now offers flagship fund products widely recognized by the market and investors, further enhancing Everbright Securities International's market position.

Everbright Securities International will continue to ride on its four core advantages of a professional investment and research team, rich product types, strict compliance and governance, and wide-ranging partners to head for the fundamental purpose as well as robust development in sure steps.

Morningstar is one of the most prominent investment research institutions in the U.S. and an authoritative institution for international fund ratings. Morningstar aims to provide global investors with professional financial information, fund and stock analysis and rating, and convenient, practical and functional analytical tools. The Morningstar Rating is an assessment of a fund's past performance (both return and risk) in a focused comparison group of the same fund type as measured from one to five stars, with five stars being the highest rating that represents the top 10% of the best performing funds in a particular category.

**Everbright Securities International's asset management business is operated by China Everbright Securities (HK) Limited and China Everbright Securities Asset Management Limited under the Everbright Securities brand.*

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Backed by Everbright Securities and China Everbright Group member companies, coupled with its heritage in the financial industry beginning in 1969, EBSHK has emerged to be a full-fledged financial platform providing excellent cross-border and global financial services with Moody’s “Baa3” long-term issuer and “Prime-3” short-term issuer credit ratings. EBSHKCL, through its subsidiaries, currently has over HK\$138 billion* in assets under management, custody and/or advice. For more information, please visit www.ebshk.com.

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