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### **Buckles “Meet the Fund Managers” Seminars at Venue Cymru, Llandudno**

Some 300 investors in the Snowdonia Fund, run by Rhyl-based IFA Buckles Investment Services, gathered at Venue Cymru in Llandudno last week to meet the managers of the fund to learn how it had performed during the global financial turmoil and also to hear experts’ economic forecasts for the year ahead.

Buckles’ Investment Solutions Manager, Rick Eling, who chaired three seminars held over two days, reviewed the performance of the fund in the context of the global events and stressed the improvements in the way the fund is run. He introduced Iain Scotland as the new Income Fund Manager. Managers, Isabel Herrera (Balanced & Growth) and Alex Ross (Property) also spoke to the investors and answered their questions.

Also introduced to the investors were the distinguished City Economist Roger Nightingale and the Chairman of Buckles Holdings, Paul Bradshaw, who joined the board following the acquisition of a majority stake in the firm by Sanlam, the South Africa financial services giant in 2008.

Commenting on the seminars, Buckles’ Chief Executive Nigel Speirs said:

“This is the fifth year we have held these seminars. This year we have had the highest turnout of investors wishing to meet the managers, and the feedback received has been very positive and understanding and some have increased their investment on the back of the reassurance that the fund managers have given them”.