



PRESS RELEASE

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CANOPIUS SUPPORTS BAA-RILLIANT SHAUN IN THE CITY TRAIL

Canopus Group Limited (“Canopus”), the global specialty (re)insurance platform of Sampo Holdings, is delighted to announce its’ “sponsorsheep” of the Shaun in the City charitable arts trail, featuring the Aardman Animations character, Shaun the Sheep, as he heads to the City of London (<http://shauninthecity.org.uk>).

The trail features 50 individually-designed Shaun the Sheep sculptures which will be placed in iconic locations across London this spring, and will be followed by a second trail of 70 more sculptures in Bristol in the summer. Canopus is pleased to be sponsoring a kimono-attired Shaun complete with traditional Japanese sandals, in acknowledgement of the company’s Japanese parentage. This sculpture will be situated outside the Lloyd’s building.

The trail is in aid of Wallace & Gromit’s Children’s Charity. This worthwhile cause is a national charity raising funds to support and improve the lives of children in hospitals and hospices throughout the UK, and is one of the charities selected by Canopus for support during 2015.

Sally Coryn, Head of Corporate Development and Chair of the Canopus Charity Committee, commented; “Canopus is proud to be involved with this charity, which does great work supporting regional and local children’s hospitals and hospices. We also loved the fun element of this campaign and we hope everyone enjoys visiting “our Shaun” as well as the other sculptures on the trail.”

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2. As at 31 March 2014 Sompo Holdings had total assets of \$93.4 billion, ordinary income of \$29.6 billion, profit after tax of \$434 million and a solvency margin ratio of 783.1%. As of 30 June 2014 the company had a market capitalization of \$9.4 billion.
3. Canopius has operations in the UK, US, Bermuda, Switzerland and Singapore. It is the global specialty (re)insurance platform for Sompo Holdings and organises its business into three strategic business units: [Global Property](#), [Global Specialty](#) and [UK Specialty](#).

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