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The Board of the Gabelli Value Plus+ Trust Plc (LSE: GVP) announces the appointment of Mr. Jonathan Davie and Ms. Kasia Robinski to the Board as independent non-executive Directors, effective from 25th February 2016.

In addition, Mr. Davie is appointed Chairman of the Audit and Management Engagement Committee (succeeding Mr. Rudolf Bohli who was interim Committee Chairman, but who will remain a member of the Committee). Ms. Robinski is appointed as a member of the Audit and Management Engagement Committee.

Mr. Davie qualified as a Chartered Accountant and then joined George M. Hill and Co. The firm was acquired by Wedd Durlacher Mordaunt and Co. where Mr. Davie became a partner in 1975. He was the senior dealing partner of the firm on its acquisition by Barclays Bank to form BZW in 1986. Mr. Davie developed BZW's Fixed Income business prior to becoming chief executive of the Global Equities Business in 1991. In 1996 he became deputy chairman of BZW and then vice chairman of Credit Suisse First Boston in 1998 on their acquisition of most of BZW's businesses. Mr. Davie focused on the development of Credit Suisse's Middle Eastern business, subsequently retiring from Credit Suisse in February 2007.

Mr. Davie is currently a non-executive Director of Hansa Trust Plc and Persimmon Plc. He is also chairman of First Avenue Partners, an alternatives advisory boutique, and non-executive chairman of Econiq Limited.

Ms. Robinski is an Operating Partner at Hanover Investors, leads investor relations and is an Investment Committee member. Previously, she was a partner at Prospect Investment Management where notable deals included PayPoint, Message Labs (sold to Symantec) and UK-SH (sold to Care UK). Ms. Robinski has 25 years' experience in investment banking and private equity, including with Goldman Sachs, CSFB and the Sutton Company (now Sutton Trust). She has served on numerous international boards and has undertaken various operating roles, typically as CFO or CEO, in a broad range of business sectors from media through to oil and gas. Ms. Robinski holds an MSc degree in Engineering/Economics from Cambridge University and a MBA from the Stanford Business School.

The following information regarding the appointments is required to be disclosed under paragraph 9.6.13 of the Listing Rules of the UK Listing Authority:

Other directorships held by Mr. Davie:

Current: Hansa Trust Plc, Persimmon Plc

Held in the last five years: IG Group Holdings Plc (Resigned 16th October 2014)

Other directorships held by Ms. Robinski:

Current: Duon SA (listed on Warsaw Stock Exchange)

Held in the last five years: None

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