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ANZ again ranked lead bank globally in Dow Jones Sustainability Index

ANZ today welcomed the announcement that it has again been assessed the most sustainable bank globally in the 2013 Dow Jones Sustainability Index (DJSI) for the sixth time in seven years.

ANZ Chief Executive Officer Mike Smith said: "This recognition is a credit to the 47,000 people at ANZ who have worked hard to improve the sustainability of our company.

"We are pleased our efforts have been once again recognised but we know we can do more and remain committed to further improvement, particularly in better understanding the risks in our supply chain," Mr Smith said.

In assessing ANZ's performance, the report highlighted its work to create a diverse, inclusive and highly engaged workforce and develop and implement responsible lending practices.

Key points highlighted in the report include:

- pursuing a comprehensive approach to talent attraction and retention, developing programs for training and recruitment of traditionally marginalized groups; and
- leveraging its presence in developing nations to support the growth of rural industry, and deliver financial literacy programs throughout Australia, New Zealand and Asia-Pacific.

DJSI is the most widely accepted global assessment of how companies approach their social, economic and environmental responsibilities.

It assesses business management practices such as corporate governance, risk management, customer relations, brand management, human resources, corporate community investment, climate change mitigation and environmental performance.

Further information about ANZ's corporate responsibility programs and results can be found at anz.com

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