

## MEDIA RELEASE

# HATTONNEALE APPOINTS FORMER FUTURE STEP KORN FERRY EXECUTIVE AS PARTNER

3 September 2008: Executive talent consultancy, Hattonneale, today announced Feargal Owens had become a partner in the company. Mr Owens joins Hattonneale from Future Step Korn Ferry and has spent the past decade in a variety of senior-level executive search and recruitment roles.

Hattonneale Director Anne Hatton said: "We're delighted Feargal has elected to join us. He was keenly pursued by the big search firms when he decided to move from Asia back to Australia.

"His shared belief in our unique approach to talent acquisition and development is a huge endorsement for Hattonneale and will be invaluable as we continue to grow."

Mr Owens said: "Hattonneale represented a unique platform in which I could return to the Australian marketplace. I was attracted by their innovative approach to connecting senior executives in a broad range of commercial scenarios, whether it be in a consulting, board advisory or executive search capacity.

"As businesses continually look to drive performance in challenging market conditions, Hattonneale delivers a suite of talent solutions allowing organisations to engage high impact executives either on a project, coaching or permanent basis."

Feargal Owens brings more than 10 years of executive search and recruitment experience to Hattonneale. After studying a Bachelor of Business at Newcastle University, he joined an Australian search firm focusing on placements in the equity and debt capital markets. Before to moving to Asia in 2005 he was an associate director with a boutique search and selection firm working with a range of large, listed and multinational corporations, where he placed senior finance roles across the corporate finance, property, industrial and professional services space.

He spent the past two years in China with Future Step Korn Ferry, one of the largest global search firms, where he successfully built a financial services practice placing senior executives in the corporate and investment banking, asset management and private equity markets.

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**About Hattonneale**

Hattonneale is an executive talent consultancy that bridges the gap between traditional executive recruitment and business consulting. It connects its network of executive talent with quality, dynamic, growing businesses. Hattonneale's approach is bi-focal; it focuses equally on the needs of its clients and its executives. Its services include executive talent contracting, executive talent search (permanent and board positions), executive talent consulting (employment branding, recruitment strategies, coaching, mentoring, succession planning and career transition). Further detail at [www.hattonneale.com.au](http://www.hattonneale.com.au)