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Three months after [this publication reported the resignation](#) of a veteran Citi private banker, it appears that he has resurfaced at an external asset manager (EAM) in Singapore.

Dominique Barazzone has joined Thirdrock as a client adviser. He will report to Jason Lai, CEO and founder of Thirdrock, who previously worked as head of China at ABN AMRO Private Bank in Hong Kong.

Barazzone was a senior banker and team head at [Citi Private Bank](#) who managed the UHNW segment in Asia for over a decade. He has also held senior positions with Swiss Bank Corp and Lombard Odier Private Asset Management in various parts of the world.

In August, Thirdrock hired another private banker from Citi bank [Eric Chong](#) to join their wealth management team, based in Singapore.

Barazzone and Chong enter a growing league of private bankers exiting the industry to join independent asset managers. The market is touted to grow to US\$100 billion in the next two years and pegged to grow at an estimated 10-15% per annum in Asia, a key reason for [the set-up of a regulatory association](#) in Hong Kong.

They join the likes of former [EFG](#) head of investments [Harmen Overdijk, now at CAIADO Wealth](#) in Hong Kong, BSI's former Asia head of structured products [Vinit Sarangdhar](#), who resigned in 2015 to head Alpha Vectors, an EAM business in Singapore, and former [UBS Wealth Management](#) managing director [Johan Riddergard](#), who also left to set up an EAM business venture in the Lion City.

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