

Lars Seier Christensen, Saxo Bank

Lars was a founding shareholder of Midas (now Saxo Bank) in 1992, and eventually joined the company in early 1995 as a director, responsible for the company's trading operations.

With considerable financial and business acumen, Lars has been jointly responsible with Kim Fournais for the formulation and implementation of the company's business strategies and new ventures ever since.

In September 1999, following the establishment of CLMarkets.com, Lars assumed the post of Managing Director for Midas with additional responsibility for the overall management of the company. After Midas' repurchase of Credit Lyonnais' shareholding in CLMarkets.com early 2001, Lars again shares the position of joint Chief Executive Officer with Kim Fournais.

Since 1987, Lars has been involved in derivative sales and trading. He began his career at the London-based futures broker, Petley & Co (now ECU Group), but was soon headhunted to join LIT Europe, the European arm of leading futures clearer LIT America, as a manager of the company's Scandinavian Desk.

In 1990, he took over an identical position at American broker Gerald Metals, to assist the company in developing its newly started foreign exchange department, again with particular responsibility for Scandinavian financial institutions.