

PRESS RELEASE

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SOCIETE GENERALE SECURITIES SERVICES STRENGTHENS ITS PRESENCE IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

Societe Generale Securities Services (SGSS) is setting up in Ghana in order to develop its custody services offer in sub-Saharan Africa.

In Ghana, SGSS will provide custody of Ghanaian equities and bonds and a comprehensive foreign exchange and cash management service to a clientele of Ghanaian and foreign investors, frontier market funds and other players looking for increased exposure to the Ghanaian market. Clients benefit from the local knowledge and expertise of a dedicated SGSS team located within SG-SSB, a subsidiary of Societe Generale group, which is directly linked to the pan-African integrated services platform developed by SGSS in South Africa. This platform will be deployed in other African countries in due course.

This new activity further strengthens SGSS' presence on the African continent, where, in addition to South Africa, it is also present in Morocco, and Tunisia. More broadly, it underlines SGSS' ambition to become a major player in the securities services industry throughout Africa, a region which is undergoing rapid expansion, and to accompany clients in their growth and development in new markets across the continent.

Clients in Africa are supported in their development by SGSS' expertise and presence in 29 locations worldwide and benefit from products and services that meet their specific requirements, both in their domestic markets as well as in their international business.

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- Retail banking in France with the Societe Generale branch network, Credit du Nord and Boursorama;
- International retail banking, with a presence in Central and Eastern Europe, Russia, in the Mediterranean basin, in Sub-Saharan Africa, in Asia and in the French Overseas Territories;
- Corporate and investment banking with a global expertise in investment banking, financing and global markets.

Societe Generale is also a significant player in specialised financing and insurance, private banking, asset management and securities services.

Societe Generale is included in the socially-responsible investment indices FTSE4Good and ASPI.

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Societe Generale Securities Services (SGSS)

Present in 29 locations worldwide with around 4,000 employees, SGSS provides financial institutions and brokers, asset managers and insurers, and businesses with a full range of securities services adapted to the latest financial market and regulatory trends: clearing services, custody and trustee services, retail custody services, liquidity management, fund administration and asset servicing, fund distribution and global issuer services.

SGSS is ranked among the top 10 worldwide global custodians and the 2nd largest in Europe with EUR 3,493* billion of assets under custody. SGSS provides custody & trustee services for 3,449* funds and the valuation of 3,944* funds, representing assets under administration of EUR 479* billion. SGSS also ranks among the European leaders in stock option management.

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