

## PRESS RELEASE

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### **SOCIETE GENERALE SECURITIES SERVICES JOINS AFRICA AND MIDDLE EAST CENTRAL DEPOSITORIES ASSOCIATION**

Societe Generale Securities Services (SGSS) has become an Associate Member of the Africa and Middle East Central Depositories Association (AMEDA).

Established in April 2005, AMEDA is a non-profit organization comprised of Central Securities Depositories (CSD) and Clearing Houses in Africa and the Middle East. Its main objective is to act as a forum for the exchange of information among its members and to promote best practices in services such as securities depository, clearing, settlement, and risk management.

AMEDA's goal is also to support local markets in their efforts to adopt securities market regulations and to help them bring their operational standards and procedures into line with international standards and regulations, while taking account of their specific circumstances, and to serve as a channel for dialogue with other organisations worldwide.

A global custodian with a direct presence in 29 locations worldwide, SGSS works closely with AMEDA and shares its recognised experience and expertise in the international securities services industry to support the organisation in its objectives.

This proximity to local CSDs and clearing houses ensures that SGSS is at the forefront of national and regional developments in the industry, helping these players to understand and recognise the challenges of the international environment. SGSS is thus able to accompany its clients in African and Middle Eastern countries in their own growth, by providing products and services which correspond to their specific requirements in the context of their individual markets.

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Around 160,000 employees, based in 77 countries, accompany more than 33 million clients throughout the world on a daily basis. Societe Generale' teams offer advice and services to individual, corporate and institutional customers in three core businesses:

- 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 and 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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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