

## Press Release

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### **Societe Generale Securities Services mandated by Allianz Global Investors Investments Europe in France and Italy**

Societe Generale Securities Services (SGSS) has been mandated to provide a range of services to Allianz Global Investors Investments Europe\* (AllianzGI IE) in France and Italy. AllianzGI IE, Allianz Global Investors' European investment platform, offers tailor-made investment solutions to institutional and retail clients across Europe.

In France, AllianzGI IE has renewed its existing mandate with SGSS for depositary bank services provided since 2003.

In Italy, AllianzGI IE will rely on SGSS to provide depositary bank fund administration and transfer agency services for its full range of funds. This mandate, which is subject to regulatory approval, concerns over 60 funds and 9 billion euros of assets.

SGSS has been selected, in particular, for its managerial capabilities within the framework of its pan-European platform, which are necessary to serve the needs of investment managers with pan-European reach, such as AllianzGI IE.

*\* Allianz Global Investors Investments Europe is the name of the European investment platform of Allianz Global Investors and includes the following investment management companies: Allianz Global Investors France SA, Allianz Global Investors Italia SGR SpA and Allianz Global Investors Europe GmbH, Zurich Branch. The services provided by the investment management companies of Allianz Global Investors Investments Europe are not necessarily available in all countries.*

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- Retail Banking, Specialised Financing & Insurance: Societe Generale serves 32 million individual customers worldwide.
- Private Banking, Global Investment Management & Services: Societe Generale is one of the largest banks in the euro-zone in terms of assets under custody (EUR 3,246 billion, March 2010) and under management (EUR 164 billion excluding Amundi, March 2010).
- Corporate & Investment Banking: Societe Generale tailors solutions for its clients across sectors by capitalising on its worldwide expertise in investment banking, global finance, and global markets.

Societe Generale is included in the socially-responsible investment indexes: FTSE4Good and ASPI. In 2010, the title of SAM Sector Mover was awarded to Societe Generale.

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### **Societe Generale Securities Services (SGSS)**

Established in 28 locations worldwide with around 4,000 employees, SGSS provides a full range of securities services that are adapted to the latest financial markets and regulatory evolution: clearing services, custody and trustee services, retail custody services, liquidity management, fund administration and asset servicing, fund distribution and global issuer services.

SGSS is the 6<sup>th</sup> largest worldwide global custodian and the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest in Europe with 3,365\* billion euros of assets under custody. SGSS provides custody & trustee services for 2,934\* funds and the valuation of 4,481\* funds, representing assets under administration of 448\* billion euros. SGSS manages and calculates the current value of 30,000\* "complex product" positions. SGSS also ranks among the European leaders in stock option management.

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