

## **Press Release**

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# SG GSSI retained by Weinberg Capital Partners as trustee for their first FCPR

Société Générale Global Securities Services for Investors, **SG GSSI**, announced today that it has been retained by Weinberg Capital Partners as trustee for their first FCPR after a public tender process was launched that included the main providers on the Paris marketplace.

SG GSSI will assure the custody, trustee and registrar holding for the FCPR which amounts to around EUR 400 million in investments.

Created in March 2005, Weinberg Capital Partners also manages a fund specialising in Leveraged Buy Outs.

SG GSSI is the 4<sup>th</sup> largest custodian in Europe and the 10th largest worldwide, with more than € 1,317 billion in assets under custody (as at end Sept 2005).

### Société Générale Group

Société Générale is one of the largest financial services groups in the euro-zone. The Group employs 93,000 people worldwide in three key businesses:

- Retail Banking & Financial Services: Société Générale serves about 19 million individual customers worldwide.
- Global Investment Management & Services: Société Générale is one of the largest banks in the euro-zone in terms of assets under custody (EUR 1,317 billion, September 2005) and under management (EUR 370 billion, September 2005).
- Corporate & Investment Banking: SG CIB ranks among the leading banks worldwide in euro capital markets, derivatives and structured finance.

Société Générale is included in the four major socially-responsible investment indexes.

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## SG GSSI (Global Securities Services for Investors)

SG GSSI offers a full range of securities services in:

- Execution, clearing, delivery and settlement
- Securities back-office outsourcing services
- Custody, trustee, fund and portfolio administration
- Employee Share Plan Management

SG GSSI currently ranks 4th among securities custodians in Europe, and 10th worldwide with EUR 1,317 billion in assets held (Sept 2005). SG GSSI provides custody & trustee services to around 2,500 funds and its subsidiary Euro-VL provides valuations for 3,749 funds representing assets of EUR 287 billion (Sept 2005). Fimat, another GSSI subsidiary, acts as broker for 5% of the clearing of international listed derivatives transactions on the major markets for which Fimat is a member. SG GSSI ranks among the European leaders in stock option management, serving more than 470,000 beneficiaries.

SG GSSI employs 3,500 people and has a presence on more than 30 financial marketplaces across Europe, the Americas and Asia Pacific.

SG GSSI is part of SG Global Investment Management and Services (GIMS), the third key business of the Société Générale Group, which also includes asset management (SG Asset Management), private banking (Société Générale Private Banking) and on-line brokerage (Boursorama).

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