

## Press release

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### **SGSS rated top securities services provider in Europe and for Institutional Investors by Global Custodian\***

**Société Générale Securities Services (SGSS)** has been ranked number one in the “Europe” and “Institutional Investor” categories in Global Custodian’s 2008 Global Custody Survey. The annual survey is based on client perceptions of the quality of services provided by their custodians.

SGSS also received “Top Ratings” in the “\$1-10 billion” and the “Fund Manager” categories.

SGSS’ scores in the survey were ‘good’ or above. Global Custodian said: “The average scores suggest the majority of clients are more than happy with the service they get, whilst others praise their ‘ability’ to understand issues facing our organization.”

Clients described SGSS as a ‘one-stop shop’ characterized by ‘pro-activity, internal coordination, user-friendly systems, knowledgeable staff and a wide range of products and services.’

*\*Global Custodian is the leading magazine covering the international securities services business. The magazine is published 6 times a year and has a global readership.*

#### **Société Générale**

Société Générale is one of the largest financial services groups in the euro-zone. The Group employs 151,000 people worldwide in three key businesses:

- Retail Banking & Financial Services: Société Générale serves more than 30 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 2 744 billion, September 2008) and under management (EUR 371 billion, September 2008).
- Corporate & Investment Banking: Société Générale ranks among the leading banks worldwide in euro capital markets, derivatives and structured finance.

Société Générale is included in 3 socially-responsible investment indexes: FTSE, ASPI and Ethibel.

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### **Société Générale Securities Services**

Société Générale Securities Services offers a full range of securities services in:

- Clearing, delivery and settlement
- Securities back-office outsourcing services
- Custody, trustee, transfer agent, fund and portfolio administration
- Employee Share Plan Management

Société Générale Securities Services currently ranks 7<sup>th</sup> worldwide custodian (*source: globalcustody.net*) with €2,744\* billion in assets under custody. Société Générale Securities Services provides custody & trustee services for 3,256\* funds and the valuation of 5,251\* funds representing assets under administration of around €481\* billion. Société Générale Securities Services also ranks among the European leaders in stock option management.

Société Générale Securities Services is present in key financial centres and employs over 4500 people.

Société Générale Securities Services is part of Global Investment Management and Services (GIMS), one of the six business lines of the Société Générale Group, which also includes asset management (Société Générale Asset Management), private banking (SG Private Banking), execution and clearing of listed derivative products (Newedge) and direct banking (Boursorama).

*\*figures at end September 2008*  
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