

## Press release

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### **Société Générale Securities Services receives seven ratings from Global Custodian\***

**Société Générale Securities Services (SGSS)** has received seven major ratings from Global Custodian magazine in its 2009 “Agent Banks in Major Markets” Survey, including “Domestic Top Rated” in Greece, South Africa and Spain.

The seven ratings are as follows:

- “Domestic Top Rated” and “Cross Border Commended” in Greece (4th consecutive year)
- “Domestic Top Rated” and “Cross-Border Commended” in South Africa (6th consecutive year and the only “Top Rated” institution in South Africa for this category)
- “Domestic Commended” and “Cross-Border Commended” in Italy (2nd consecutive year for the cross-border non affiliated category)
- “Domestic Top Rated” in Spain

This annual survey measures how the quality of clearing and settlement and asset-servicing duties provided by the bank are perceived by its clients, made up of banks, broker/dealers, fund managers and others based in a jurisdiction other than the agent bank they are rating, so-called “leading clients”; a select group of respondents and third-party clients based in the same market as the agent bank they are rating.

*\*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.*

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Société Générale is one of the largest financial services groups in the euro-zone. The Group employs 163,000 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 2 906 billion, June 2009) and under management (EUR 333 billion, June 2009).
- Corporate & Investment Banking: Société Générale tailors solutions for its clients across sectors by capitalising on its worldwide expertise in investment banking, global finance, and global markets.

Société Générale is included in the socially-responsible investment indexes: FTSE4Good and ASPI.

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### **Société Générale Securities Services (SGSS)**

SGSS, established in 28 locations in four continents with more than 4500 employees, offers a full range of securities services in:

- Execution, 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 6<sup>th</sup> worldwide custodian and 2<sup>nd</sup> European custodian with €2,906\* billion of assets under custody. Société Générale Securities Services provides custody & trustee services for 3,100\* funds and the valuation of 4,815\* funds, representing assets under administration of around €423\* billion. Société Générale Securities Services also ranks among the European leaders in stock option management.

Société Générale Securities Services receives regular recognition:

- Rated top securities services provider in Europe and for Institutional Investors in Global Custodian's Global Custody Survey 2009
- Six awards in the Global Custodian's annual "Agent Banks in Major Markets" Survey – Global Custodian Magazine 2008
- Named "European Broker/Dealer Custody & Clearing Provider of the year" ICFA Magazine 2008
- Awarded special commendation in the European Custodian and European Administrator of the Year category in the Funds Europe magazine Awards 2008

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*\*figures at end June 2009*