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## SOCIETE GENERALE CORPORATE & INVESTMENT BANKING APPOINTS CHRISTOPHE COUTTE AND DAVID KNOTT AS CO- GLOBAL HEADS FOR ITS FLOW FIXED INCOME & CURRENCIES BUSINESS

Societe Generale Corporate & Investment Banking announces the appointments of **Christophe Coutte** and **David Knott** as the new Co-Global Heads of Flow Fixed Income & Currencies business. Both based in London, they will report to the Global Markets management team.

Christophe Coutte was previously Deputy Global Head of Flow Fixed Income & Currencies, a position he held since July 2009.

David Knott was previously Global Head of Flow Fixed Income & Currencies Sales & Head of Business Development.

They will both lead the further development of the Flow Fixed Income & Currencies franchise, continuing to offer clients the most adapted solutions on credit, rates and currencies.

Chico Khan-Gandapur, currently Global Head of Flow Fixed Income & Currencies, will shortly leave the bank to spend more time with his family.

### **Biographies**

David Knott was appointed as Deputy Global Head of Fixed Income and Currency Sales in 2009. David held various seniorpositions at Barclays Capital, Deutsche Bank and Credit Suisse First Boston between 1987 and 2005. Between 2005 and 2008DavidwasafoundingpartnerofalargeMacrohedgefund.David holds a first class honoursBSc and an MSc with distinction in Economics from The London School of Economics andworked for Accenture before joining the banking industry.

**Christophe Coutte** was previously Deputy Global Head of Flow Fixed Income & Currencies since July 2009. He joined Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking in August 2005 as Head of Long Term Swaps Trading in Euro swaps. In July 2007 he became Co-Head of the bank's integrated Swap Group responsible for FX and Interest Rate swaps. Before joining the firm, Christophe spent over 10 years at Deutsche Bank in London as a trader on the Euro Swaps book. Christophe holds a degree in engineering from ESSI (École Supérieure en Sciences Informatiques) and a Masters in International Finance from the HEC school of management.

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