

## *Info Flash: Clearing & Settlement*

# **Luxembourg Stock Exchange and LCH.Clearnet SA sign Memorandum of Understanding**

The Luxembourg Stock Exchange and LCH.Clearnet SA are pleased to announce the signature of a Memorandum of Understanding to implement clearing services for Luxembourg Stock Exchange markets.

The Luxembourg Stock Exchange has chosen LCH.Clearnet SA to deliver its clearing services in respect of transactions in corporate bonds, government bonds and equities.

By choosing LCH.Clearnet SA as central counterparty, the Luxembourg Stock Exchange will deliver a competitive, automated and fully integrated solution from trading to clearing and settlement, allowing reduction in the costs of transactions in a secure and structured market environment.

LCH.Clearnet SA's clearing member community will be able to access products listed in Luxembourg, a European standard-setter for international securities transactions, with over 42,000 products listed, including 28,000 international bonds or nearly 60% of the European total, representing 4,100 issuers from over 100 countries.

This project follows the launch of a new trading technology by the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and is an excellent strategic fit for both parties. This straight-through-process will not only allow the Luxembourg market to comply with industry best practice in respect of central counterparty services but will also promote the Exchange by improving volume and liquidity.

The launch of this project is expected for the end of this year in December. A project planning, including a confirmation of the target date will be provided to the market participants together with further details during several information meetings. These meetings will occur from June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

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