

Standard & Poor's MarketScope Joins Proquote as European News Provider

LONDON, 15 October 2007. Standard and Poor's, the world's leading provider of financial market intelligence, announced today the launch of its European equity market news service European MarketScope on Proquote, the London Stock Exchange's real-time market data and trading terminal.

Proquote users are now able to register for unlimited access to European MarketScope, which delivers a unique combination of breaking news, commentary and strategy on equities trading across 11 European markets. MarketScope journalists draw on their extensive network of industry contacts and monitor trading activity throughout that day to unearth market-moving intelligence, helping subscribers make better informed investment decisions and understand the key drivers behind share price movements.

Commenting on the launch, Karen Young, Head of Business Development Information Services, at the London Stock Exchange said: "This is a premium service from S&P which strengthens and broadens Proquote's existing offering, complementing our current news and price information. European MarketScope will provide Proquote users with a deeper insight into European securities through independent commentary and analyst opinion. Proquote now covers over 100 market, news and data sources on its terminals."

"European MarketScope focuses on the factors that make a difference to the share price, sparing subscribers the onerous task of deciphering the daily deluge of information," said Standard & Poor's European MarketScope product manager Claudia Perotti. "By unlocking crucial details, European MarketScope provides enough fresh thinking to prompt productive conversations with clients."

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About Proquote

Owned by the London Stock Exchange, Proquote provides real-time market data coverage of the global markets. Its powerful display and analysis tools deliver the most up to date information on over 100 markets, news and data sources throughout the trading day. Proquote's extensive coverage includes information on futures, options, commodities, metals and OTC derivatives and features comprehensive fundamentals, charting analytical tools. Its software is based on Windows technology which can be installed on individual PCs and eliminates the need for separate terminals. Proquote has over 300 clients and a rapidly growing presence in all areas of the financial sector.

About Standard & Poor's MarketScope

Standard & Poor's European MarketScope provides value-added news, commentary on analysis on more than 2,000 listed equities across the major European exchanges in Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom. European MarketScope's experienced team of market specialists are in contact with leading financial institutions globally, assessing and interpreting the latest information driving the markets for subscribers in real time. For more information please visit:
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