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ICMA announces first quarter 2009 Financial Markets Foundation Course (FMFC) Programme Graduates

(London, UK) The International Capital Market Association (ICMA) and the ICMA Centre are pleased to announce that the following candidates have successfully passed the Financial Markets Foundation Course (FMFC).

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The FMFC is a first level qualification that has broad appeal across the sector offering candidates increased general knowledge and confidence working in the financial markets. This course was run in conjunction with the Institut de Formation Bancaire Luxembourg (IFBL) in Luxembourg and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) in London.

FMFC forms part of the suite of ICMA Executive Education courses that provide training for beginner, intermediate and advanced professionals covering front, middle and operational functions.

ICMA provides in-house and public course offerings including the International Fixed Income and Derivatives (IFID) Certificate Programme, Primary Market Certificate (PMC), the Operations Certificate Programme (OCP) as well as a number of tailor made courses available in-house covering sales, risk, financial products, commodities and operations.

ICMA delivers the FMFC on an in-house basis and the next publicly scheduled course takes place in **London, September 14 to 16, 2009** and in **Luxembourg, September 21 to 23, 2009**.

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Notes for editors:

1. ICMA Executive Education

Since the inception of its European Seminar in 1974, the International Capital Market Association (ICMA), has been committed to providing high quality ICMA Executive Education to its members and to the market at large. The establishment by the Association of the ICMA Centre at The Henley Business School, University of Reading in 1991, and its subsequent financial support, has succeeded in creating an institution which is setting the standards in the application of information technology to financial markets training and education. The suite of ICMA Executive Education courses, which provides training for front, mid and back office functions for beginners, intermediate and advanced levels.

2. ICMA Centre

The ICMA Centre at Henley Business School, University of Reading has an international reputation for undergraduate, postgraduate and executive education for the financial markets. Established in 1991 with funding provided by the International Capital Market Association (ICMA) in Zurich, the Centre is housed in a purpose-built modernist building with state-of-the-art facilities including three dealing rooms. The Centre recently celebrated the opening of its new extended facilities including an additional flagship 40-seat dealing room equipped by Thomson Reuters. See: www.icmacentre.ac.uk

3. International Capital Market Association (ICMA)

ICMA is the self-regulatory organisation representing the financial institutions active in the international capital market worldwide. ICMA's members are located in 46 countries across the globe, including all the world's main financial centres. ICMA's market conventions and standards have been the pillars of the international debt market for over 40 years, providing the self regulatory framework of rules governing market practice which have facilitated the orderly functioning and growth of the market. ICMA actively promotes the efficiency and cost effectiveness of the capital markets by bringing together market participants including regulatory authorities and governments See: www.icmagroup.org

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4. ICMA Communications

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