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International Capital Market Association announces new chairman for Nordic Region

(Zurich, Switzerland) The International Capital Market Association (ICMA) is pleased to announce that Magnus Karlsson, Head of Financial Advisory Derivatives, Nordea Markets in Stockholm, will chair the association's Nordic Region, which represents the interests of over 30 ICMA member firms in Denmark, Finland, Lithuania, Norway and Sweden.

Martin Scheck, ICMA Chief Executive, said: "Mr Karlsson is the latest addition to our regional membership structure, where we have made a number of new appointments recently, and we are looking forward to working with him as we pursue our mission to bring more efficiency to the operations of the cross border securities markets."

Mr Karlsson has held a number of senior positions at Nordea in sales and relationship banking and is currently head of one of the derivatives teams in Stockholm. Previously his career in the USA included a stint at Wells Fargo.

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Notes for editors

International Capital Market Association (ICMA)

ICMA represents financial institutions active in the international capital market worldwide. ICMA's members are located in 47 countries, 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 framework of rules governing market practice which facilitate the orderly functioning 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

ICMA's regions

ICMA has a strong regional organisation, with each of the twelve regions having its own committee which meets to deal with specific regional matters. Members may take part in the committee of their respective region, led by a chairman who, like the rest of the committee, is an active market participant from a member financial institution.

The Committee of Regional Representatives (comprised of the regional chairmen) reports directly to the board of ICMA, enabling the viewpoints of each region to be fully represented.

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