ICMA adds five new member firms

(London, UK) The International Capital Market Association (ICMA) is pleased to announce that it has added a further five firms to the international membership of the Association in the first quarter of 2008.

These new members join ICMA’s diverse existing global membership representing market participants and other capital market constituencies including asset managers, law firms, central banks, exchanges and professional advisors. In 2007 twenty two firms joined ICMA for the first time.

ICMA’s new members are:

- Ashurst LLP, London
- Denton Wilde Sapte LLP, London
- Morrison & Foerster LLP, New York
- Morrison & Foerster MNP, London
- NOMOS-BANK, Moscow

René Karsenti, ICMA’s Executive President commented; “We are delighted to welcome these new firms to ICMA’s long established international community. Our success in extending the benefits of membership to a wider audience in these turbulent times demonstrates clearly the continuing relevance and value of our services”.

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Notes for editors

1. International Capital Market Association (ICMA)

The International Capital Market Association is the self-regulatory organisation and trade association representing constituents and practitioners in the international capital market worldwide. ICMA’s
members are located in 49 countries across the globe, including all the world's main financial centres, and currently number some 400 firms in total.

ICMA performs a central role in the market by providing and enforcing a self-regulatory code of industry-driven rules and recommendations which regulate issuance, trading and settlement in international fixed income and related instruments. ICMA liaises closely with regulatory and governmental authorities, both at the national and supranational level, to ensure that financial regulation promotes the efficiency and cost effectiveness of the capital market.

ICMA is unique amongst financial industry associations in that it represents a broad range of capital market interests, its members include both global investment banks and smaller regional banks, as well as asset managers, exchanges, central banks, law firms and other professional advisers, making it an influential voice for the global market.

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