

Media Release

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Swissquote enriches its editorial content: Partnership agreements with AFP and NewsEdge. Collaboration agreement with the new weekly magazine «STOCKS»

Swissquote Group Ltd (SWX:SQN) announced today that partnership agreements have been signed with Agence France Presse (AFP) and NewsEdge, with the aim of enriching the financial and economic information available on the www.swissquote.ch site. Another agreement with the new magazine «Stocks» will allow users of Swissquote Trade, Swissquote's online stock trading platform, to benefit from an exceptional offer.

Swissquote, leader in providing online financial information, will soon feature AFP's FINECO news, in addition to news supplied by the Agence Télégraphique Suisse (ATS) that are already available on the site. Users of www.swissquote.ch will also have access to Internet reports prepared in collaboration with AFP on various current events (La Une, France, Eco/Social, Sport, Politics).

Equally, the partnership agreement concluded with NewsEdge will make economic news from more than 40 news agencies available on www.swissquote.ch. This information, available in English only, will be grouped by theme: Mergers & Acquisitions, Business News, European Currency, European Economic Indicator, Financial Market overview, IPOs, etc.

These two partnership agreements underline Swissquote's intent to enrich its content in the area of economic information, whether in French, German, or English, said Marc Bürki, CEO of Swissquote Group. This trilingual strategy responds to our users growing interest in world markets, and positions us as one of the main sites providing economic news in Europe, he added.

Swissquote is also extending its collaboration with the HandelsZeitung Group in the context of the launch, on November 3, 2000 of a new magazine for investors entitled "Stocks". Each client owning an account with Swissquote Trade will be given a free subscription to this new weekly. Other collaborations in the area of publishing with HandelsZeitung are also under consideration.

Swissquote Group Ltd is one of the most important providers of online financial services and Internet know-how in Switzerland. As of the first semester 2000, turnover was of CHF 7.0 million (an increase of 185% as compared to the first semester of 1999). Swissquote Group is based in Gland (VD), Schwerzenbach (ZH) and Paris (France). The Group, which currently employs 140 collaborators, is listed on the SWX New Market since May 29, 2000.



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