Workshop agenda

"The future of corporate financing in an integrating EU financial market"

Organised by the European Commission
Directorate General for Economic and Financial Affairs (DG ECFIN)

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Charlemagne building – room S4 170, rue de la Loi - 1049 Brussels

09.45-10.00 Welcome Address
Klaus Regling (Director-General, DG ECFIN)

10.00-11.00 Session 1:

Relevance of financial system performance and

investigation of the finance-growth link in the enlarged EU

Chair: Servaas Deroose (Director, DG ECFIN)

Speakers: **Annalisa Ferrando** (ECB)

The Performance of the European Financial System

Peter Haiss (University of Vienna)

New Evidence on the Finance-Growth-Nexus in the enlarged EU

General discussion introduced Marie Donnay (DG ECFIN)

11.00-11.30 Coffee break

11.30-12.30 Session 2:

Evolution of corporate financing structures: Progress of

market financing and the role of derivatives

Chair: **David McGlue** (Director, DG ECFIN)

Speakers: **Cesare Ravara** (Credit Suisse research)

Evolution in corporate financing structures over the past decade

Bernhard Speyer (Deutsche Bank Research)

Credit derivatives and their impact on corporate lending

General discussion introduced by Christine Gerstberger (DG ECFIN)

12.30-14.00 Lunch (buffet)

14.00-15.00 Session 3:

Implications of progressing financial integration:

Pressure for liquid, transparent and cost efficient markets

Chair: Philipp Hartmann (Head of ECB Financial Research Division)

Speakers: Richard Portes (London Business School and CEPR)

European Bond Markets: transparency, liquidity and efficiency

Luis Correia da Silva (Oxera)

The cost of raising capital: an international comparison

General discussion introduced by Laurence White (DG MARKT)

15.00-15.30 Coffee break

15.30-16.30 Session 4:

Challenges from a broader financial system: The aspect

of corporate governance and financial regulation

Chair: Servaas Deroose (Director, DG ECFIN)

Speakers: Andrew Mullineux (University of Birmingham)

Financial sector convergence and corporate governance

Alain de Serres (OECD)

Regulation of financial systems and economic growth

General discussion introduced by Christoph Walkner (DG ECFIN)

16.30-17.30 Panel discussion on main policy implications

Chair: Richard Portes (London Business School and CEPR)

Panellists: All speakers would be invited to discuss main lessons

and derive key policy issues

17.30 Closing

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