

Media release

DDV launches English-language website Information portal for European institutions and partner associations

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Deutscher Derivate Verband (DDV), the German Derivatives Association, launched its new English-language website today. The European counterparts of DDV can now visit www.derivateverband.de/EN/ for even easier access to information on the German certificates market as well as on the aims and initiatives of the Association, its members and committees. The English-language DDV website contains important facts and figures on the German certificates sector, such as statistics on market volume, market shares and stock exchange turnover. For political communication, it also contains important elements arising from the DDV transparency initiative. These include a system of product classification and standardised terminology, as well as product information sheets, certificate ratings, credit spreads and a checklist for investors to use when purchasing certificates.

DDV anticipates that its English-language website will add force to its political objectives on a European level. Through it, the association can much more easily update its partner associations throughout Europe, as well as all of its contacts in the European Parliament, the European Commission and the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA).

Lars Brandau, Managing Director at DDV, explained: “The establishment of an English-language Internet presence for DDV makes the information offered by the Association accessible to many new users. It expands DDV’s sphere of political action while at the same time communicating the sector’s ambition of cross-border cooperation.”

Deutscher Derivate Verband (DDV), the German Derivatives Association, is the industry representative body for the 17 leading issuers of derivative securities in Germany: Barclays, BNP Paribas, Citigroup, Commerzbank, Deutsche Bank, DZ BANK, Goldman Sachs, HSBC Trinkaus, HypoVereinsbank, J.P. Morgan, LBBW, MACQUARIE, Royal Bank of Scotland, Société Générale, UBS, Vontobel, WestLB. The Association’s work is supported by ten sponsoring members, which include the Stuttgart and Frankfurt Stock Exchanges, finance portals and service providers.

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