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SIX Swiss Exchange steps up performance of its trading platform

SIX Swiss Exchange successfully launched a new version of its SWXess trading platform on December 13. For participants the new version represents a substantial improvement in performance in terms of capacity and latency. This is the latest in a series of measures designed to further enhance the appeal of SIX Swiss Exchange as an efficient trading center.

The new version of the trading platform considerably shortens the time between two order entries and so facilitates significantly higher transaction rates. At the same time, delivery of trade confirmations to participants is optimized, thereby relieving their data lines. These measures together have greatly increased data throughput and brought about a reduction in latency under one millisecond – depending on the participant's location.

The launch of a new version of the SWXess trading platform is part of a package of measures designed to further enhance the competitiveness of SIX Swiss Exchange. For participants, these changes translate to more efficient trading and more attractive prices. Other recent improvements made by SIX Swiss Exchange include an expanded Proximity Service, more trading interfaces and the introduction of unencrypted (i.e. faster) data transfer as an option. A further measure to take effect in January 2011 is a reduction in charges for transactions in small & mid cap shares via the Capacity Trading Interface.

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