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Key figures SIX Swiss Exchange and Scoach Switzerland: March 2012

A total of 2,902,422 transactions were conducted on SIX Swiss Exchange and Scoach Switzerland in March 2012. This corresponds to a month-on-month increase of 4.7%. The number of trades rose particularly sharply in the equities incl. funds + ETSFs + ETPs and ETFs segments. Overall trading turnover came to CHF 85.0 billion, down 4.4% on February 2012.

The increase in the number of trades is mainly attributable to the equities incl. funds + ETSFs + ETPs segment, which recorded 2,686,139 trades in March 5.2% more than in February. Turnover in this segment was 0.7% higher than in February at CHF 59.3 billion. In the ETFs segment, the number of trades rose by 8.1% to 77,856, but turnover fell by 9.7% to CHF 6.9 billion.

Turnover in the structured products and warrants segment was up 6.8% at CHF 3.2 billion. Despite a 4.8% fall to 87,503, this segment's number of trades remains the second highest on SIX Swiss Exchange. The bonds CHF segment posted declines in both turnover (-18.9%) and the number of trades (-6.4%) in March. This goes against the trend observed since the start of the year – in the first three months of 2012, turnover was up 20.6% year-on-year at CHF 52.5 billion, with the number of trades 9.7% higher at 146,956.

Overall, 4,142 new structured products and warrants were admitted to trading in March 2012, 9.2% more than in February, whereas the number of new bonds CHF admitted was 5.7% higher than in February at 37. In addition, a new company – DKSH – was listed on SIX Swiss Exchange for the first time.

The leading equity indices also trended higher in March 2012. The SMI® blue-chip index stood at 6,235.5 points at the end of March (up 2.1% month-on-month and 5.0% for the year to date). The SLI Swiss Leader Index®, meanwhile, reached 954.2 points (up 2.0% month-on-month and 8.9% for the year to date), the broader SPI® 5,715.8 points (up 2.4% month-on-month and 7.0% for the year to date). The SBI® AAA-BBB Total Return stood at 121.7 points, representing a fall of 0.1% over the previous month and an increase of 1.2% since the start of the year.

Since beginning of 2012

 Trading days since
beginning of 2012:

 Trading days in same
prior-year period:

64

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Segment	Turnover in CHF million	Change versus same prior-year period
Equities incl. Funds + ETSFs + ETPs	169,582	-30.3%
Bonds CHF	52,468	20.6%
ETFs	20,994	-14.7%
International bonds	640	-23.0%
Structured products and warrants	9,543	-32.7%
TOTAL	253,228	-22.4%
	Number of trades	Change versus same prior-year period
Equities incl. Funds + ETSFs + ETPs	7,813,824	-13.8%
Bonds CHF	146,956	9.7%
ETFs	219,944	-10.2%
International bonds	8,595	-41.7%
Structured products and warrants	267,542	-33.2%
TOTAL	8,456,861	-14.3%
	Number of newly listed products	Change versus same prior-year period
Bonds CHF	90	-26.8%
Structured products and warrants	12,851	-3.2%

March 2012

 Trading days March
2012:

 Trading days in
previous month:

22

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Segment	Turnover in CHF million	Change versus previous month
Equities incl. Funds + ETSFs + ETPs	59,320	0.7%
Bonds CHF	15,448	-18.9%
ETFs	6,910	-9.7%
International bonds	168	-46.8%
Structured products and warrants	3,204	6.8%
TOTAL	85,050	-4.4%
	Number of trades	Change versus previous month
Equities incl. Funds + ETSFs + ETPs	2,686,139	5.2%
Bonds CHF	48,504	-6.4%
ETFs	77,856	8.1%
International bonds	2,420	-22.4%
Structured products and warrants	87,503	-4.8%
TOTAL	2,902,422	4.7%

	Number of newly listed products	Change versus previous month
Bonds CHF	37	5.7%
Structured products and warrants	4,142	9.2%

Index	Month-end reading	Change versus end of previous month	Change since end of 2011
SMI®	6,235.5	2.1%	5.0%
SLI Swiss Leader Index® PR	954.2	2.0%	8.9%
SMIM® Price	1,212.9	0.9%	8.4%
SPI®	5,715.8	2.4%	7.0%
SPI EXTRA® Total Return	1,853.7	0.8%	9.1%
SXI LIFE SCIENCES® Total Return	1,225.3	1.1%	1.8%
SXI Bio+Medtech® Total Return	1,144.2	0.0%	5.1%
SBI® AAA-BBB Total Return	121.7	-0.1%	1.2%

More detailed information is soon available in the statistical monthly report at:

http://www.six-swiss-exchange.com/statistics/monthly_data/overview/2012_en.html

An overview of order book quality on SIX Swiss Exchange can be found in the Equity Liquidity Matrix (ELM) at:

http://www.six-swiss-exchange.com/statistics/elm_en.html

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SIX Swiss Exchange

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Scoach, a joint venture between SIX Group and Deutsche Börse AG, is a leading exchange for structured financial products. Scoach operates trading platforms in Zurich for Swiss market participants, as well as in Frankfurt for investors in Germany and the EU member states.

On Scoach Switzerland Ltd, only those products are traded that have completed the regulated listing procedure of SIX Swiss Exchange and fulfill clearly defined requirements with regard to investor protection. Trading is subject to strict rules that ensure transparent and fair dealings for all market participants. This regulated market vouches for the equal treatment of issuers and investors alike.

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