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SIX Swiss Exchange wins "Exchange of the Year" Award

SIX Swiss Exchange was named global "Exchange of the Year" last night at the Global Investor/ISF Investment Excellence Awards 2014. Additional categories covered the areas of asset management and service providers. The prestigious award was presented by an independent jury of experts in London.

The international jury recognized SIX Swiss Exchange for its achievements in various areas. It took into account the fact that SIX Swiss Exchange succeeded last year in increasing trading turnover by 12.5% to CHF 1,004.4 billion and bringing about a sustained improvement in its cost/income ratio. With the listing of Cembra Money Bank in 2013, SIX Swiss Exchange facilitated one of the biggest IPOs in Europe with great success.

SIX Swiss Exchange continued its client-centric strategy in 2013, expanding its offering and simplifying access to services. The trading of Sponsored Funds was launched as a new segment. By the end of 2013, 305 traditional investment funds from over 60 issuers were admitted to trading and supported by two sponsors. SIX Swiss Exchange also introduced Sponsored Access as a connectivity option, giving its clients additional access to liquidity for Swiss and international securities. Finally, the company simplified the system architecture in exchange trading by migrating all trading segments to its most up-to-date trading platform worldwide.

"I am very proud to accept this award on behalf of SIX Swiss Exchange," said Christian Katz, CEO of SIX Swiss Exchange. "It is a recognition of everything we have achieved in the past year, but above all of the quality and hard work of our employees. We will continue to work intensively on improving our market place from a client-focused perspective in the future."

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SIX Swiss Exchange is the most important independent exchange in Europe. We connect companies from around the world with international investors and trading participants and create particularly market-oriented framework conditions for listing and trading in our highly liquid segments Equities, Bonds, ETFs, ETPs and Structured Products and Warrants. SIX Swiss Exchange is an ideal listing location for companies of every origin, size and sector. With the world's fastest trading technology X-stream INET as well as the most advanced connectivity options, we offer our trading participants excellent trading conditions. We maintain a close dialogue with both our domestic and foreign customers, working intensively with them to create optimal conditions for their success. Furthermore, we offer them access to a strong global network.

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SIX operates Switzerland's financial market infrastructure and offers on a global scale comprehensive services in the areas of securities trading, clearing and settlement, as well as financial information and payment transactions. The company is owned by its users (approximately 140 banks of various size and orientation) and, with its workforce of more than 3,700 employees and presence in 24 countries, generated an operating income of 1.58 billion Swiss francs and a Group net profit of CHF 210.2 million in 2013.