



EMCF volumes reach 4m trade sides

Amsterdam, 22 January 2010 – European Multilateral Clearing Facility (EMCF) reached a new milestone as the number of trades cleared surpassed 4 million in a single day for the first time on Friday, 22 January 2010.

The strategy to offer low-cost, pan-European services appeals to clients as it has generated steady volume growth on the platforms serviced by EMCF. Chi-X Europe, BATS Europe, Nasdaq OMX Nordic Exchanges, Nasdaq OMX Europe, Burgundy and Quote MTF, all of which are served by EMCF, benefit from the strong offering of EMCF and the connectivity to multiple markets.

EMCF became the largest CCP for on-exchange European cash equities in Q4 2009, taking over the first spot from the LCH.Clearnet Group. EMCF clearing volumes reached 2.5m trade sides on a European total of 7.1m per day on average in Q4 2009, according to statistics collected by FESE.

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About European Multilateral Clearing Facility

EMCF provides central counterparty clearing services for the rapidly growing MTF market. Established in March 2007 EMCF provides CCP services for BATS Europe, Burgundy MTF, Chi-X Europe, Nasdaq OMX Europe, QUOTE MFT and Nasdaq OMX Nordic Exchanges. Clearing volumes average 2.5 million transactions per day, representing around 34% of total European equity volumes, making it Europe's largest on-exchange cash equities CCP.

EMCF is the most competitive European CCP, providing tangible savings for the industry. EMCF offers clearing participants a transparent fee schedule, charging only a low fixed fee across markets.

EMCF's main shareholders are Fortis Bank Nederland N.V. and Nasdaq OMX Nordic Group Inc. The activities of EMCF are regulated by the Dutch central bank, De Nederlandsche Bank (DNB), the Dutch Authority for the Financial Markets (AFM) and the UK Financial Services Authority (FSA).