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Press Release

UNIQUE Secretary of the Board appointed as Chairman of UNICE FSWG

Today the Union of Industrial and Employers' Confederations of Europe (UNICE) has appointed the UNIQUE Secretary of the Board Dr Ralf Fischer zu Cramburg as Chairman of its Financial Services Working Group (FSWG).

The Chairman of the UNICE Financial Services Working Group is responsible for giving direct input to EU policy regarding financial services on behalf of Europe's business community. Together with the group, he determines the issues that are of importance to corporate issuers and sets the agenda UNICE needs to pursue vis-à-vis European policy-makers with whom he meets on a regular basis.

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Notes for Editors

ABOUT THE UNION OF ISSUERS QUOTED IN EUROPE ('UNIQUE')

As a network dedicated solely to promoting the interests and concerns of the Quoted Company sector, UNIQUE has three primary goals:

- to create a distinct identity for the sector, and demonstrate its value to the investment markets and EU economy;
- to represent the interests and requirements of the sector, to enable it to increase its contribution to the European economy and ensure that its specific needs are addressed;
- to build a strong and vocal collective body of support from within the sector, among company directors and securities industry leaders.

UNIQUE is a coalition of the following organisations, who together represent the interests of c. 3,500 quoted companies (issuers) with a combined market capitalisation of c. €1151 bn and employing people in excess of 10.5m.

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