

## Press Release

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### **Société Générale continues to maintain its Number 1 position in French equities, and to strengthen its pan-European cash equities business**

The latest Thomson Extel Survey made public on June 21<sup>st</sup> 2006 showed once again Société Générale's dominant position in French equities, both in equity research and sales, and highlighted the bank's steady and constant progression in its pan-European and sectoral areas of focus.

#### **France: 1<sup>st</sup> position for French equities**

- 1<sup>st</sup> in **Country Analysis France** (2005: 1st; 2004: 1st; 2003: 4th)
- 1<sup>st</sup> in **Sales on French Equities** (new category)
- 1<sup>st</sup> in **Small caps Research France** (2005: 2nd; 2004: 3rd ; 2003: 3rd)
- 1<sup>st</sup> in **Small caps Sales France** (2005: 1st; 2004: 3rd ; 2003: n/a)

#### **Pan-European: constant progression**

- 6<sup>th</sup> in **Pan-European Small Caps**
- 8<sup>th</sup> overall in **pan-European Equity Research** (2005: 11th; 2004: 13th; 2003: 16th).
- 4<sup>th</sup> in **pan-European Equity Sales** (2005: 8th; 2004: 9th).
- 9<sup>th</sup> in **pan-European Equity Trading / Execution** (2005: 13th ; 2004: 16th)
  - 2nd in **Sales Trading** overall service
  - 4th in **Program Trading** overall services

Patrick Legland, Head of Cash Equities, said "These results confirm the quality of the work accomplished by all our teams over the past 3 years in our two products, research and execution. These results position us among the key players in Europe and are an endorsement of our technical expertise and our commitment to the goal of being the best at what we do."

1,222 institutions worldwide participated in the 2006 Extel Survey.

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