

Press Release

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SG announces the issue of its first UK warrants

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SG, a global leader in covered warrants, today announces the launch of its first UK warrants on Monday, 28 October, the day the London Stock Exchange platform launches in the UK. For the first day of the market, SG will issue 42 warrants on a range of UK blue chips, including Vodafone, HSBC, AstraZeneca, BP and BT Group as well as UK and International indices: FTSE 100, Dow Jones and the Nasdaq.

"We are delighted to finally launch our initial range of warrants" said David Lake, Director of UK Warrants at SG. "There is the potential for SG to list several hundred warrants by the end of the year, and we believe that the limited downside, the absence of stamp duty and the potential for high returns will make warrants very attractive to retail investors."

As the only UK issuer active in all 15 global warrant markets, and a market leader in many of them, SG is uniquely placed to provide the support and educational services required by UK investors to make the most of these powerful new investment tools.

SG warrants will be listed on the LSE's main order book, giving investors the transparency and security of continuous pricing. Live prices, details of all SG warrants, online training tools and warrant calculators will also be available on SG's new UK website, www.warrants.com, which launches today.

(see full SG warrants listing attached)

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| S001 | ANN8125N2972 | 3210732 | Vodafone Group Plc | С | 50 | 2 Jul 03 | 8 | 1 |
| S002 | ANN8125N3053 | 3210754 | Vodafone Group Plc | С | 100 | 2 Jul 03 | 8 | 1 |
| S003 | ANN8125N3137 | 3210765 | Vodafone Group Plc | Р | 90 | 2 Jul 03 | 8 | 1 |
| S004 | ANN8125N3210 | 3210787 | Vodafone Group Plc | С | 110 | 5 Nov 03 | 12 | 1 |
| S005 | ANN8125N3392 | 3210806 | Vodafone Group Plc | Р | 80 | 5 Nov 03 | 12 | 1 |
| S006 | ANN8125N3475 | 3210828 | Vodafone Group Plc | С | 130 | 5 Nov 03 | 12 | 1 |
| S007 | ANN8125N3541 | 3210862 | Vodafone Group Plc | С | 150 | 3 Mar 04 | 16 | 1 |
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| S008 | ANN8125N1982 | 3210873 | HSBC Holdings Plc | С | 800 | 2 Jul 03 | 8 | 1 |
| S009 | ANN8125N2063 | 3210895 | HSBC Holdings Plc | P | 700 | 2 Jul 03 | 8 | 1 |
| S010 | ANN8125N2147 | 3210914 | HSBC Holdings Plc | C | 900 | 3 Dec 03 | 13 | 1 |
| S011 | ANN8125N2220 | 3210925 | HSBC Holdings Plc | С | 1,000 | 7 Apr 04 | 18 | 1 |
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| S012 | ANN8125M6958 | 3210936 | AstraZeneca Plc | С | 2,500 | 2 Jul 03 | 8 | 10 |
| S013 | ANN8125M7030 | 3210958 | AstraZeneca Plc | Р | 2,000 | 2 Jul 03 | 8 | 10 |
| S014 | ANN8125M7113 | 3210970 | AstraZeneca Plc | С | 2,800 | 3 Dec 03 | 13 | 10 |
| S015 | ANN8125M7295 | 3210981 | AstraZeneca Plc | С | 3,000 | 3 Mar 04 | 16 | 10 |
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| S016 | ANN8125M7378 | 3210992 | BT Group Plc | С | 200 | 2 Jul 03 | 8 | 1 |
| S017 | ANN8125M7451 | 3211003 | BT Group Plc | Р | 175 | 2 Jul 03 | 8 | 1 |
| S018 | ANN8125M7527 | 3211014 | BT Group Plc | С | 225 | 3 Dec 03 | 13 | 1 |
| S019 | ANN8125M7600 | 3211025 | BT Group Plc | С | 250 | 3 Mar 04 | 16 | 1 |
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| S020 | ANN8125M6537 | 3211036 | BP Plc | С | 500 | 4 Jun 03 | 7 | 1 |
| S021 | ANN8125M6610 | 3211047 | BP Plc | Р | 400 | 4 Jun 03 | 7 | 1 |
| S022 | ANN8125M6792 | 3211058 | BP Plc | С | 550 | 3 Dec 03 | 13 | 1 |
| S023 | ANN8125M6875 | 3211069 | BP Plc | С | 600 | 3 Mar 04 | 16 | 1 |
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| S501 | ANN8125N1073 | 3210475 | FTSE 100 Index | С | 4,200 | 20 Jun 03 | 8 | 1000 |
| S502 | ANN8125N1156 | 3210475 | FTSE 100 Index | С | 4,500 | 20 Jun 03 | 8 | 1000 |
| S503 | ANN8125N1230 | 3210400 | FTSE 100 Index | P | 4,000 | 20 Jun 03 | 8 | 1000 |
| S504 | ANN8125N1313 | 3210505 | FTSE 100 Index | С | 4,700 | 19 Dec 03 | 14 | 1000 |
| S505 | ANN8125N1495 | 3210505 | FTSE 100 Index | С | 5,000 | 19 Dec 03 | 14 | 1000 |
| S506 | ANN8125N1560 | 3210510 | FTSE 100 Index | С | 5,300 | 19 Dec 03 | 14 | 1000 |
| S507 | ANN8125N1644 | 3210527 | FTSE 100 Index | P | 3,600 | 19 Dec 03 | 14 | 1000 |
| S508 | ANN8125N1727 | 3210550 | FTSE 100 Index | С | 5,500 | 19 Mar 04 | 17 | 1000 |
| S509 | ANN8125N1800 | 3210550 | FTSE 100 Index | С | 6,000 | 19 Mar 04 | 17 | 1000 |
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| S510 | ANN8125N2303 | 3210572 | Nasdaq 100 Index | P | 900 | 20 Jun 03 | 8 | 100 |
| S511 | ANN8125N2485 | 3210583 | Nasdaq 100 Index | С | 1,000 | 20 Jun 03 | 8 | 100 |
| S512 | ANN8125N2550 | 3210594 | Nasdaq 100 Index | Р | 800 | 19 Dec 03 | 14 | 100 |
| S513 | ANN8125N2634 | 3210646 | Nasdaq 100 Index | С | 1,100 | 19 Dec 03 | 14 | 100 |
| S514 | ANN8125N2717 | 3210657 | Nasdaq 100 Index | С | 1,300 | 19 Dec 03 | 14 | 100 |
| S515 | ANN8125N2899 | 3210668 | Nasdaq 100 Index | С | 1,500 | 19 Mar 04 | 17 | 100 |
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| S516 | ANN8125M7782 | 3210679 | Dow Jones IA Index | С | 9,000 | 20 Jun 03 | 8 | 1000 |
| S517 | ANN8125M7865 | 3210691 | Dow Jones IA Index | Р | 7,000 | 19 Dec 03 | 14 | 1000 |
| S518 | ANN8125M7949 | 3210709 | Dow Jones IA Index | С | 10,000 | 19 Dec 03 | 14 | 1000 |
| S519 | ANN8125M8020 | 3210721 | Dow Jones IA Index | С | 11,000 | 19 Mar 04 | 17 | 1000 |

NOTES

The above SG Warrants are EUROPEAN style, CASH settled, AUTOMATIC exercise Equity warrants have STRIKE prices in GBX (pence), Index warrants have STRIKE prices in INDEX points For FTSE100, one index point = £1, for NASDAQ and DJI, one index point = US\$1 Equity warrants expire on the first Wednesday of the month, Index warrants on the third Friday of the month

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NOTES FOR EDITORS

About SG Warrants

SG is a leading global player in warrants with 14% of total warrant market share for the first half of 2002. The first SG warrant was issued in 1989 and we are now present on 15 global stock exchanges with over 8,000 warrants available on 1,000 underlyings in 7 currencies. Our products are supported by 21 warrant traders in Paris, New York, Hong Kong and Sydney, plus 40 warrant marketing specialists in 14 countries. www.warrants.com

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