

## Press Release

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### **Société Générale announces retirement of Philippe Citerne**

Philippe CITERNE has elected to retire on 30 April 2009 and will no longer exercise his mandate as Deputy Chief Executive Officer of Société Générale as from that time.

Philippe CITERNE has made outstanding contributions to the development of Société Générale Group since 1979, in all the various roles he occupied, in particular as Director of Financial Management, Director of Human Resources, Director of Resources and Services and, since 1997, as a member of the Group's General Management.

As from 1 May 2009, Société Générale's General Management will comprise Frédéric OUDEA, Chief Executive Officer, and two Deputy Chief Executive Officers, Didier ALIX and Séverin CABANNES, who will fulfill the functions previously under Philippe CITERNE's responsibility.

#### **Société Générale**

Société Générale is one of the largest financial services groups in the euro-zone. The Group employs 163,000 people worldwide in three key businesses:

- Retail Banking & Financial Services: Société Générale serves more than 30 million individual customers worldwide.
- Global Investment Management & Services: Société Générale is one of the largest banks in the euro-zone in terms of assets under custody (EUR 2 560 billion, December 2008) and under management (EUR 336 billion, December 2008).
- Corporate & Investment Banking: Société Générale ranks among the leading banks worldwide in euro capital markets, derivatives and structured finance.

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