

Press Release

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SG Corporate & Investment Banking appoints Head of European cash CDO

SG Corporate & Investment Banking (SG CIB) is pleased to announce the appointment of Teimuraz Barbakadze as Head of European cash CDO.

Teimuraz, a Georgian national, joins SG CIB as Managing Director, Head of European cash CDO. Based in the London office, he reports to Bertrand Fitoussi, Head of Structured Credit Group.

Teimuraz, 40, previously headed the cash CDO and CFO business of Merrill Lynch in London where he worked for three and a half years. Prior to this, he worked for Deutsche Bank, London as a director within the Global Market's European Securitisation Group. He began his career as a structured finance analyst with Moody's Investors Service Limited, London.

"Coupled with a successful synthetic CDO business, our cash CDO business is the second pillar of our European CDO activities," confirmed Bertrand Fitoussi, Head of Structured Credit Group. "On the cash CDO side, demand from investors is strong, and we expect to see substantial offers on ABS and leveraged loan CDO products in the next three years. Teimuraz's expertise and significant experience in cash CDOs will therefore be essential in helping SG CIB to become an important European player in this field."

This nomination is in line with SG CIB's strategy to develop its euro capital markets activities in Europe and to confirm SG CIB's positioning as a top ten house in euro capital markets.

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