

**Press release**

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### **New Swissquote board member**

The Board of Directors of Swissquote Group Holding AG will propose to the Annual General Meeting of 15 March 2005 that Dr Markus Dennler be elected to the Board. Chairman Mario Fontana said: "We are convinced that Markus Dennler's wealth of management experience and his many years working in a broad and varied spectrum of banking and insurance fields will greatly strengthen our Board."

#### **Dr Markus Dennler** (1956 / Swiss national, resident in Zurich)

Markus Dennler completed his studies at the University of Zurich with a doctorate in law and subsequently obtained a license to practice as a lawyer in Zurich. He went on to study at the International Bankers School in New York and the Harvard Business School in Boston. Following a period working with a law office, Markus Dennler moved in 1986 to what is now the Credit Suisse Group, where he spent 18 years in a variety of challenging management functions. He began his career with Credit Suisse as assistant to President of the Executive Board and branch manager. He subsequently held the positions of Managing Director of CS Columna, Chief Executive Officer of Winterthur Columna, Member of the Corporate Executive Board of Winterthur and, ultimately, member of the Executive Board of Credit Suisse Financial Services. At the beginning of 2005 Markus Dennler went independent, concentrating on various directorships.

#### **Swissquote – Swiss leader in online trading**

*Swissquote has 120 employees in Gland (Vaud) and Schwerzenbach (Zurich). It is the leading provider of online trading services. In addition to low-cost stock market access and a special trading tool for portfolio managers, Swissquote also offers a wide range of online financial information tools. Swissquote Group Holding AG shares (SQN) are quoted on the SWX.*

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