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**ASPI EUROZONE® INDEX COMPONENTS:
ANNUAL REVIEW**

The ASPI Eurozone® index selects the 120 best rated companies in the Eurozone on the basis of VIGEO's CSR ratings and in accordance with the ASPI Eurozone® Guidelines.

On 3 September 2008, the ASPI Committee preceded to the annual review of the Index components.

Preliminary

At the review date, 119 companies were included in the index: **SUEZ** (FR) had been withdrawn from the ASPI Eurozone® index on 22 July 2008.

THOMSON (FR) will be withdrawn from the benchmark index Dow Jones Euro STOXXSM on 22 September 2008 for the quarterly review of the index. It will be withdrawn from the ASPI Eurozone® the same day.

Withdrawals: 5 components

At each annual review, the ASPI Committee withdraws from the ASPI Eurozone® index the shares of companies that are no longer among the 140 companies best rated by VIGEO and companies that will be withdrawn from the Dow Jones Euro STOXXSM index. Accordingly, the following companies are withdrawn from the index: **THOMSON** (FR), **HEINEKEN** (NL), **BANK OF IRELAND** (IE), **BCO POPULAR ESPANOL** (ES) and **WOLTERS KLUWER** (NL).

Additions: 6 components

The shares of the following companies have subsequently been selected in the ASPI Eurozone® index on the basis of their VIGEO ratings in order to obtain a total number of components of 120: **VALLOUREC** (FR), **ABERTIS INFRASTRUCTURAS** (ES), **AEGON** (NL), **BCA MONTE DEI PASCHI DI SIENA** (IT), **BEIERSDORF** (DE) and **SNS REAAL** (NL).

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Company	Market Capitalisation (Thousand million Euros)	Country	Vigeo Sector
WITHDRAWALS			
THOMSON	0.9	FR	Technology-Hardware
HEINEKEN	7.8	NL	Beverage
BANK OF IRELAND	5.6	IE	Banks
BCO POPULAR ESPANOL	5.5	ES	Banks
WOLTERS KLUWER	4.7	NL	Publishing
ADDITIONS			
VALLOUREC	10.1	FR	Mining & Metals
ABERTIS INFRAESTRUCTURAS	4.1	ES	Transport & Logistics
AEGON	10.6	NL	Insurance
BCA MONTE DEI PASCHI DI SIENA	5.6	IT	Banks
BEIERSDORF	3.2	DE	Luxury Goods & Cosmetics
SNS REAAL	1.2	NL	Banks

The changes to the ASPI Eurozone® component list will be implemented after the closing hour on Friday 19 September 2008, and become effective on the next trading day.

The ASPI index components: http://www.vigeo.com/ASPI/arese_components.txt

The ASPI Eurozone® Guidelines: <http://www.vigeo.com/csr-rating-agency/images/PDF/ConstituentsASPI/English/aspi%20eurozone%20guidelines%201.3.pdf>

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