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SECURITIES MARKET PRACTICE GROUP

SMPG



Press Release

SMPG confirms Chair and Regional Directors Americas, EMEA, and Japan

The Securities Market Practice Group (SMPG) held Steering Committee elections at the occasion of its London spring meeting hosted by BNP Paribas, the London Stock Exchange, and the UK SWIFT User Group. The SMPG focuses on defining market practices for the securities industry based on business processes and related ISO messages for Trade Initiation/Confirmation, Settlements, Reconciliation, Corporate Actions and Investment Funds.

Karla McKenna, ISITC US, was re-elected as Chair. Jason Brasile, ISITC US, Christine Strandberg, SE, and Taketoshi Mori, JP, were re-confirmed as Regional Directors Americas, EMEA, and Japan, respectively. All terms are for two years.

The SMPG Steering Committee continues to be composed of:

Chair: Karla McKenna

Vice Chair: Rudolf Siebel

Regional Director Americas: Jason Brasile

Regional Director Asia/Pacific: Taketoshi Mori

Regional Director Asia/Pacific: Anthony Sim

Regional Director EMEA: Armin Borries

Regional Director EMEA: Christine Strandberg

End

Information for the Press:**Background on SMPG:**

The Securities Market Practice Group was established in July 1998 with a focus on defining market practices for the securities industry based on existing ISO messages for Trade Initiation/Confirmation, Settlements, Reconciliation and Corporate Actions. SMPG's goal was and still is to provide the community of ISO 15022 and ISO20022 securities message users with a global market practice on the usage of these messages. SMPG has produced over 30 market practice recommendations using ISO 15022 messages. SMPG has since expanded to define market practices for the Investment Funds industry using the new ISO 20022 messages. All market practices can be found on www.smpg.info

SMPG is open to all securities players – through participation in a National Market Practice Group – interested in creating globally-agreed market practices for the securities industry. NMPGs are established in about 40 countries. SMPG is a non-funded industry group that only functions thanks to the dedication and assistance of the local experts active in the NMPGs.

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