

# **Press release**

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## LAFARGE PLACES A 750 MILLION EURO BOND

Yesterday Lafarge placed, under its EMTN¹ program, a €750 million bond with a 10-year maturity and fixed annual coupon of 5.5%.

With this refinancing transaction, the Group further optimizes the maturity profile of its debt.

The settlement and issue of the bond is expected on December 16. BNP Paribas, Calyon, Citi, HSBC, Morgan Stanley and Société Générale acted as joint-lead managers and bookrunners for this bond issue.

## **N**OTES TO EDITORS

**Lafarge** is the world leader in building materials, with top-ranking positions in all of its businesses: Cement, Aggregates & Concrete and Gypsum. With more than 84,000 employees in 79 countries, Lafarge posted sales of Euros 19 billion in 2008.

In 2009 and for the fifth year in a row, Lafarge was listed in the 'Global 100 Most Sustainable Corporations in the World'. With the world's leading building materials research facility, Lafarge places innovation at the heart of its priorities, working for sustainable construction and architectural creativity. Additional information is available on the web site at <a href="https://www.lafarge.com">www.lafarge.com</a>

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<sup>1</sup>Euro Medium-Term Note program

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