



## Regulated Information

Paris, 19 May 2009

### **Information document made available to shareholders relating to the payment of the dividend in new shares**

The Société Générale shareholders general meeting, held on May 19, 2009, decided to set the dividend per share at EUR 1.20 and to grant each shareholder the option to choose between the payment of dividend either in cash or in shares, on the whole dividend.

The shares will be traded ex-dividend as of May 27, 2009 and dividends made payable as from June 19, 2009.

The option must be exercised from May 27 to June 10, 2009. After that last date, or if the option is not exercised, the dividend will be paid in cash only.

The maximum number of shares that may be issued for the payment of the dividend is 21,409,299 shares, representing 3.69% of the share capital on the date of the general meeting.

The issue price of the new shares offered as payment of dividend is EUR 32.55, equal to 90 % of the average opening quoted price during the twenty trading sessions preceding the decision to pay the dividend, minus the net dividend amount and rounded up to the next Euro cent.

The ordinary new shares issued as payment of dividend will carry dividend rights as of January 1, 2009 and their admission on the market of Euronext Paris SA will be requested as of June 19, 2009.

The new shares will be of the same category as and can be assimilated to the outstanding Société Générale ordinary shares already listed on the market of Euronext Paris SA (Compartiment A - code ISIN FR 0000130809). They will be, as soon as they are created, subjected to all provisions of the Company By-laws, as described in the 2009 Registration Document (available on the Company website: [socgen.com](http://socgen.com)). They will give right to the usual legal prerogatives of shareholders.

#### Announcement:

*The option to receive the 2008 dividend in shares is not open to the shareholders residing in Australia, Canada, Italy and Japan, as well as those residing in any country where such option would require registration with or authorization by local market authorities. Shareholders residing outside France should inform themselves about*

*any restriction and ensure compliance. Shareholders should inform themselves on the conditions and consequences relating to such option and that may apply under local law. When deciding whether or not to elect to receive a dividend in shares, shareholders should consider the risks relating to an investment in shares.*

*The original French version and the English translation one are available at the headquarter of Société Générale, and on the internet website ([www.socgen.com](http://www.socgen.com)).*