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## CADES €3 bn 4.5% 4 September 2013

Earlier today, CADES (Caisse d'Amortissement de la Dette Sociale), rated Aaa/AAA/AAA, launched and priced a new € 3bn 4.5% benchmark issue due 4 September 2013 at a reoffer price of 99.623, corresponding to a spread of mid-swaps - 14 bps.

This is CADES's first Euro denominated nominal benchmark this year.

The distribution of the transaction reflects a good participation from real money accounts across Europe, UK/Ireland and the Middle-East, as well as in Asia and in the Americas. The distribution of the book is as follows:

By region		By investor type	
Europe	50%	Funds / Pension Funds/Asset Managers	30%
UK/Ireland	20%	Banks / Bank Treasuries	29%
Middle East	10%	Central Banks	38%
Asia	15%	Retail	3%
Americas	5%		

CADES achieved this strong result thanks to a well chosen timing, benefiting from a solid investor bid for safe credits. The widening of swap spreads over the past year thus allows CADES to price its new 5-year benchmark at the tightest ever spread below mid-swaps since it was established.

Dresdner Kleinwort, JP Morgan, BNP and Nomura acted as joint bookrunners.

The co-leads were Barclays, Calyon, Citi, HSBC and Natixis.

CADES announced a € 9 bn funding program for the year 2008. As of today, 5 bn USD, 300 mn AUD and 3 bn € have already been raised since January 1st 2008.

Since it was created by a government order dated january 24, 1996, CADES has amortized 35.8 billion euros of the 107.6 billion debt assumed in accordance with French legislators

## CADES: A BENCHMARK ISSUER IN THE FINANCIAL MARKETS

Created in 1996, CADES is an administrative public agency under the authority of the French government. CADES enjoys the highest ratings by the principal international rating agencies (AAA/A1+, Aaa/P1, AAA/F1+), and a 0% Basel ratio weighting, which makes CADES one of the five largest non-government issuers in Europe.

Complete information on CADES and its issues are available on the website (www.cades.fr), as well as on Reuters and Bloomberg.

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