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Press Release

New Chair for European Banking Industry Committee

The European Banking Industry Committee, the common platform of the European banking sector at large, has just elected its new Chair, Nicolas Merindol, Member of the Management Board of French Savings Banks representing the European Savings Banks Group. He will thus succeed Hein Blocks, Managing Director of the Netherlands Banking Association and Chairman of the Executive Committee of the FBE, who in turn becomes vice-Chair of EBIC. The Secretariat will be run by the European Association of Cooperative Banks, with a view to rotate again after one year.

EBIC was founded in 2004 with the aim to bring together all seven Associations representing the banking sector under a common umbrella in order to discuss issues of common interest. The Committee is currently focusing on common positions in the areas of Consumer Credit and Mortgage Credit; it also produced several key positions for the banking industry in the fields of the financial services market integration process in a post-FSAP environment, Capital Requirements Directive, Anti Money Laundering and others. These positions can be viewed on <http://www.eubic.org>.

EBIC is an advisory Committee, which is regularly called upon by European institutions and international organisations to provide expertise in the field of financial services. It also ensures a comprehensive consultation of all representatives of the banking sector on relevant issues. It must however be reminded that, while EBIC is the channel through which common positions are devised and expressed, all 7 founding members (see above) remain free to position themselves individually on issues where views differ amongst EBIC members.


For further information on EBIC, please contact the EBIC member organisations.



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