

Business update

SIX Telekurs launch real time market data service from Qatar

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Zurich / Doha – SIX Telekurs, a leading global financial information provider, has announced today that live trading data from Qatar Exchange is available to investors across the globe via its platform. The real time service, featuring last trade for Equities, is sourced via the Secure Financial Transaction Infrastructure (SFTI) network, a connectivity solution that provides direct access to this rapidly growing Middle East market.

As the first financial information provider to access Qatar Exchange's newly launched SFTI connectivity, SIX Telekurs' clients in the US, Europe and Asia will benefit from the resilience and enhanced liquidity provided by Qatar's SFTI connection. Qatar Exchange plans to launch additional markets, including bond, ETF and derivatives markets. This would enable global financial institutions to participate further in the Gulf region's impressive growth.

"We are delighted to work with Qatar Exchange to forge this unparalleled view on Middle East equities," explained Ivo Bieri, Head of Product Management & Marketing, SIX Telekurs. The connectivity will yield low barrier market access in terms of technology and costs. "This collaboration is driven by global demand to participate in Qatar's increasingly secure and transparent market place," continued Bieri.

"Our connectivity with SIX Telekurs is significant in its potential to enhance our global visibility", said Andre Went, Chief Executive Officer of Qatar Exchange. "The company has a global footprint and we're very pleased to have the exchange's real time data available via their platform. It is the first example of a customer in Europe benefiting from the infrastructure developed by QE. We expect to see further use of SFTI by orderflow providers using the direct market access facility," added Went.

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About SIX Telekurs

As a leader in its field, SIX Telekurs specializes in procuring, processing and distributing international financial information. Financial market specialists at SIX Telekurs gather information from all the world's major trading venues – directly and in real-time. The SIX Telekurs database with its structured and encoded securities administration data for 7.6 million financial instruments is unique in terms of its depth of information and data coverage. With offices in 23 countries, SIX Telekurs combines the advantages of global presence and local know-how.

SIX Telekurs is a SIX Group company. On a global scale, SIX Group offers first-rate services in the areas of securities trading, clearing and settlement, as well as financial market information and payment transactions.

Further information is available at: www.six-telekurs.com.

About Qatar Exchange

Established in 1995, the Doha Securities Market (DSM) officially commenced operations in May 1997. Since then the exchange has grown to become one of the leading stock markets in the GCC region. Following a strategic partnership agreement between Qatar Holding and NYSE Euronext in June 2009, the DSM was renamed the Qatar Exchange (QE). QE currently has 42 listed companies and its market capitalization is around QR450 billion (US\$123 billion). The primary aim of QE is to support Qatar's economy by giving investors a platform through which they can trade fairly and efficiently. QE also provides the public with access to market information, ensures correct disclosure of information, and enforces securities regulations. QE is regulated by the Qatar Financial Markets Authority. For more information, please visit www.qe.com.qa.