

THE FINANCIAL SERVICES PRACTITIONER PANEL

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Colin Keogh Joins Practitioner Panel

The Financial Services Authority (the FSA) has appointed Colin Keogh, Group Chief Executive of Close Brothers Group, to the Financial Services Practitioner Panel (the Panel). The Panel is a statutory body that represents the interests of practitioners within the regulatory framework, principally by ensuring that the FSA takes account of the views and concerns of regulated firms in the development of regulatory policy and in its operation generally.

Colin Keogh joins the Panel to provide input from the wholesale and investment banking sector. He takes the place of David Verey who is standing down after more than three years with the Panel.

Jonathan Bloomer, Chairman of the Panel, said:

“I'm delighted that Colin has agreed to join the Panel. His extensive professional experience covers the whole of the banking sector and will boost the Panel's ability to provide an authoritative channel for communication at a senior level between the FSA and the financial services industry it regulates.”

"I would like to thank David Verey for his considerable commitment to the Panel over the past years; his wide experience of financial markets was invaluable. On behalf of the Panel I wish him all the best for the future".

NOTES FOR EDITORS

1. Born in 1953, Colin Keogh read law at Oxford and has an MBA from INSEAD. Before joining Close Brothers in 1985, he worked at Arthur Andersen and Saudi International Bank. At Close Brothers, he ran the Corporate Finance Division until 1998 and the Asset Management Division until October 2002. Colin joined the Close Brothers Group Board in 1995 and became Group Chief Executive in November 2002.
2. The Practitioner Panel was established in November 1998, comprising senior figures from a cross-section of the financial services industry, to provide a high-level body available for consultation on policy by the FSA and able to communicate to the FSA views and concerns of the regulated industries. It has a statutory basis under Section 9 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000. Further information on the role and

work of the Panel – including a full copy of the Annual Report for 2004/5, is available on its website: www.fs-pp.org.uk

3. The current members of the Panel are: Jonathan Bloomer, former Chief Executive of Prudential (Chairman); Roy Leighton, UK Chairman, Nymex Europe Limited (Deputy Chairman); Alan Ainsworth, Deputy Chairman, Threadneedle Asset Management Ltd.; Luqman Arnold, former Chief Executive of Abbey National; Matthew Bullock, Group Chief Executive, Norwich and Peterborough Building Society; Clara Furse, Chief Executive, London Stock Exchange; Douglas Gardner, former Chief Executive, AWD; Ruthven Gemmill, Partner, Murray Beith Murray (Chairman of the Smaller Businesses Practitioner Panel); David Hardy, Chief Executive, LCH Clearnet Group; Colin Keogh, Group Chief Executive, Close Brothers Group; Nick Prettejohn, Chief Executive, Lloyd's of London; Alan Yarrow, Vice Chairman, Dresdner Kleinwort Wasserstein; Andrew Ross, Chief Executive, Cazenove Capital Management; Russell Collins, Head of Deloitte UK National Financial Services Practice.

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