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Kazakhstan Stock Exchange and Thomson Reuters sign Memorandum of Understanding

London, November 04, 2015 – Kazakhstan Stock Exchange (KASE) and Thomson Reuters (Markets) Eastern Europe Ltd. signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in order to expand its cooperation and work jointly on development of business partnerships through exchanging knowledge and experience in favour of development of Kazakhstani capital market and Thomson Reuters business in the region.

KASE and Reuters cooperation was established in early 1997 and since 2010 KASE is successfully providing real-time market data through Thomson Reuters terminals. The MOU emphasises both companies commitment to deepen cooperation and explore new projects for collaboration between the two companies for their mutual benefit.

Mr. Yeszhan Birtanov said: "Thomson Reuters is a solid and long-term partner for KASE and in light of the development of the new International Financial Center in Astana, we would like to strengthen and deepen our cooperation to expand the range of services and information provided to the market".

Mr. Piotr Marczewski, Managing Director, Russia/CIS, said: "This step confirms Thomson Reuters role as a key contributor to the growth of local markets through enhancing transparency and offering quality content. This comes in line with our long-term commitment to investing in the region. There are several areas of collaboration that we would like to explore with the KASE for the benefit of the Kazakhstan's financial market participants".

The MOU was signed in London by Mr. Piotr Marczewski, Managing Director, Russia/CIS of Thomson Reuters (Markets) Eastern Europe Ltd. and Mr. Yeszhan Birtanov, CEO of KASE.

Reference

KASE is the only stock exchange in Kazakhstan, servicing the financial market. It represents a multiasset trading floor for repo market instruments, foreign currencies, government and corporate securities of Kazakhstani and foreign issuers, bonds of internal financial organizations, as well as derivatives. KASE is a member of the World Federation of Exchanges (WFE), Federation of EuroAsian Stock Exchanges (FEAS) and other international and domestic professional associations.

Kazakhstan is a leading financial market in the Central Asian region and is working to stablish itself as a regional financial center, with an emphasis on the development of Islamic Finance. Kazakhstan is thriving. It has a developed and vibrant domestic capital market that will in turn attract other market participants and potential issuers from the Central Asian region. More information about KASE can be found in Russian, Kazakh and English at www.kase.kz.

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