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Key figures SIX Swiss Exchange and Scoach Switzerland: Year 2012

Share prices on SIX Swiss Exchange rose strongly in the second half of the year in particular. The SMI blue chip index stood at 6'822.4 points at the end of the year, closing at a record high since 2007; the same applies to the SLI Swiss Leader Index. The SBI Swiss Bond Index even ended the year at the highest recorded year-end value ever. In contrast, markedly less trading was conducted on SIX Swiss Exchange and Scoach Switzerland. Overall, trading volumes fell by 23.1% to CHF 892.6 billion and the number of trades by 21.2% to 31,549,599. This is due to the economic and regulatory uncertainties, whose effects were not only observed throughout Europe but virtually around the world.

Last year, a total of CHF 892.6 billion was traded on SIX Swiss Exchange and Scoach Switzerland, which is 21.3% less than in 2011. Overall, 31,549,599 trades were carried out, 21.2% less than in the previous year. Three new participants were admitted during the course of the year (previous year: 15), meaning that 115 companies now trade on SIX Swiss Exchange and Scoach Switzerland. Furthermore, SIX Swiss Exchange welcomed four newly listed companies and two new ETF issuers. Altogether, 18 issuers now offer 888 ETFs (+17.0%).

The biggest segment, equities including funds, ETSFs and ETPs, posted a trading volume of CHF 597.5 billion or 28.2% less than in the previous year. A total of 29,292,068 trades were carried out. This corresponds to a decline of 21.1% in comparison with 2011. The strongest SMI stock in terms of turnover in 2011 was Nestlé N at CHF 76.0 billion, followed by Novartis N at CHF 62.0 billion and Roche GS at CHF 58.4 billion.

The bonds CHF segment recorded a pleasing growth. Overall, turnover stood at CHF 185.3 billion – an increase of 7.0% compared to the previous year. Over the same period, the number of trades rose by 6.9% to 539,300. Altogether, 355 new bonds were listed, which represents a decrease of 10.1% as compared to 2011.

The ETF segment was an unstoppable growth engine until now. For the first time, trading was below the previous year's level. Trading volumes fell by 25.4% and the number of trades by 18.7% to 799,720. However, the amount of listed ETFs continues to rise. Consequently, 142 new ETFs were listed for trading.

Scoach Switzerland, the exchange for structured products, also posted lower trading compared to the record year of 2011. Trading turnover totaled CHF 31.9 billion in 2012. This corresponds to a decline of 38.4% compared to last year's record high. The number of trades fell by 35.2% to 894,139. Altogether, 45,023 new structured products were listed, 14.1% less than in 2011.

The leading equity indices trended higher in 2012: the blue chip index SMI® stood at 6,822.4 points at the end of December (+14.9% compared to the end of 2011). The SLI Swiss Leader Index® was at 1,037.4

points (+18.3%) and the broader based SPI® stood at 6,290.5 points (+17.7%). The key bond indices also performed positively. As such, the SBI® AAA-BBB Total Return rose by 4.2% to 125.3 points.

Christian Katz, CEO SIX Swiss Exchange: "This year saw a marked decline in trading activities on SIX Swiss Exchange. We saw this phenomenon throughout Europe, and it reflects a development that can be observed virtually anywhere around the world. For one, this is due to increased uncertainty amongst end investors, which is driven by both the political and economic environments. On the other hand, banks and securities traders were held back strongly by tighter regulation such as higher shareholder's equity requirements. Against this background, our forecast for the future is cautious but we are taking the opportunity to improve our infrastructure and increase efficiency. As such, in 2012 we rolled out our new, multifunctional trading platform supporting multiple currencies. It is currently the fastest of its kind in the world, and provides us with capacity for growth in the future."

Year 2012

Trading days since
beginning of 2012:
250

Trading days in same
prior-year period:
254

Segment	Turnover in CHF million	Change versus same prior-year period
Equities incl. Funds + ETSFs + ETPs	597,536	-28.2%
Bonds CHF	185,345	7.0%
ETFs	76,074	-25.4%
International bonds	1,730	-30.6%
Structured products and warrants	31,885	-38.4%
TOTAL	892,569	-23.1%
	Number of trades	Change versus same prior-year period
Equities incl. Funds + ETSFs + ETPs	29,292,068	-21.1%
Bonds CHF	539,300	6.9%
ETFs	799,720	-18.7%
International bonds	24,372	-38.2%
Structured products and warrants	894,139	-35.2%
TOTAL	31,549,599	-21.2%
	Number of newly listed products	Change versus same prior-year period
Bonds CHF	355	-10.1%
Structured products and warrants	45,023	-14.1%

Index	month-end reading	Change versus end of 2011
SMI®	6,822.4	14.9%
SLI Swiss Leader Index® PR	1,037.4	18.3%
SMIM® Price	1,243.8	11.2%
SPI®	6,290.5	17.7%
SPI EXTRA® Total Return	1,935.3	13.9%
SXI LIFE SCIENCES® Total Return	1,315.0	9.3%
SXI Bio+Medtech® Total Return	1,222.3	12.2%
SBI® AAA-BBB Total Return	125.3	4.2%

SMI End-of-Day Year high = 6,973.7 (11.12.2012);
 SMI intraday Year high = 7,000.6 (12.12.2012)
 Busiest trading days of 2012 = 210,716 Trades (26.07.2012); CHF 8,952.1 million Turnover (17.02.2012)

More detailed information is available in the statistical monthly report at:
http://www.six-swiss-exchange.com/statistics/monthly_data/overview/2012_en.html

Equity Liquidity Matrix (ELM): http://www.six-swiss-exchange.com/statistics/elm_en.html

Intraday Activity: http://www.six-swiss-exchange.com/statistics/intraday_activity_en.html

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Scoach Switzerland Ltd

Scoach, a joint venture between SIX and Deutsche Börse AG, is a leading exchange for structured financial products. Scoach operates trading platforms in Zurich for Swiss market participants, as well as in Frankfurt for investors in Germany and the EU member states.

On Scoach Switzerland Ltd, only those products are traded that have completed the regulated listing procedure of SIX Swiss Exchange and fulfill clearly defined requirements with regard to investor protection. Trading is subject to strict rules that ensure transparent and fair dealings for all market participants. This regulated market vouches for the equal treatment of issuers and investors alike.

Speed of execution, fairness, transparency, security and innovativeness are the criteria by which we measure our success. www.scoach.ch