

Svenska Handelsbanken

Press Release

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First EUR denominated public Eurobond lead-managed by Handelsbanken Markets.

Handelsbanken Markets has launched a EUR 230 million Dated Subordinated FRN (10 year non call 5) for Svenska Handelsbanken. The issue is lead managed by Handelsbanken Markets (sole-bookrunner).

Principal terms are as follows:

Issuer:	Svenska Handelsbanken AB (publ)
Nominal Amount:	EUR 230 million
Status of the Notes:	dated subordinated (Lower Tier II)
Rating:	the issue will be rated Aa3/A/A+ (Moody's/S&P/FitchIBCA)
Final Maturity:	20 Sept. 2010
Call:	the Issuer has the right to call the issue at par Sept. 2005
Coupon:	3-month EURIBOR + 45bp year 1-5, 3-month EURIBOR + 195bp thereafter if not called
Issue/Re-offer Price:	99.78 per cent.
Yield at Re-offer:	3-month EURIBOR + 50bp (year 1-5)
Listing:	London
Payment Date:	20 Sept. 2000
Other:	The issue is launched under Svenska Handelsbanken's Euro Medium Term Note Programme.

This is the first EUR denominated public Eurobond issue to be lead-managed by Handelsbanken Markets.

The issue is targeting investor interest mainly in Germany and the UK. Nordic investors represent 12% of the order-book. The issue is oversubscribed.

The issue has received an excellent market reception.

Handelsbanken Markets will make secondary market in the issue.

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