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Press Release

Monthly Statistics¹ March 2004

- In March, the share trading at OMHEX's marketplaces amounted to EUR 63.5 billion, on a daily average EUR 2 762 million. It was the best month for Stockholmsbörsen since November 2001, the trading amounted on a daily average to EUR 1 787 million. At HEX Helsinki it was the best month since December 2002, the trading amounted to EUR 961 million on a daily average.
- HEX Helsinki experienced a volume record in derivatives trading in March. The average daily volume amounted to 22 004 contracts per day. It was the best month since October 1997*.
- The covered warrant trading for a single month reached an all time high of EUR 95.9 million at HEX Helsinki, on a daily average EUR 4.2 million. In addition, it was an all time high in number of trades per day, reaching 615 trades per day.

Share trading

The average value of share trading per business day amounted to EUR 2 762 million in March (during the past 12-month period: EUR 1 945 million). The average number of trades per business day was 68 164 in March (during the past 12-month period: 58 345).

The turnover velocity in March was 154%.

Derivative trading

Average derivative trading volume in Swedish and Finnish equity and fixed-income products in March amounted to 499 194 contracts (during the past 12-month period: 402 635) per business day. The average number of traded contracts in equity derivative products in March amounted to 464 791 contracts (during the past 12-month period: 377 062 contracts) per business day, while the average number of contracts in fixed-income derivative products in March amounted to 34 403 contracts (during the past 12-month period: 25 572 contracts) per business day.

The total premium value for stock options in March amounted to EUR 6.4 million (during the past 12-month period EUR 5.4 million) per day.

Covered warrant trading

The average value of covered warrant trading per business day amounted to EUR 9.4 million in March (during the past 12-month period: EUR 6.3 million).

Index development

During March the OMX index decreased by 1.1%, the HEX25 index decreased by 2.5%, the TALSE index increased by 5.8%, and the RICI index increased by 11.3%

¹ This report comprises statistics on Stockholmsbörsen, HEX Helsinki, HEX Tallinn and HEX Riga. The reported figures pertain to all the four exchanges, unless otherwise stated.

* The October 1997 figure of 27 670 contracts includes the derivatives that were later transferred to Eurex.



List changes

Shares

Total market value of all listed companies amounted to EUR 445 billion as of March 31 (March 31, 2003: EUR 311 billion.) During March, 2 companies were listed on Stockholmsbörsen and 3 companies were delisted and 2 companies were delisted from HEX Helsinki.

The total number of listed companies is 468, of which 277 companies are listed on Stockholmsbörsen, 141 are listed on HEX Helsinki, 14 are listed on HEX Tallinn and 36 are listed on HEX Riga.

Bonds

The total number of listed bonds is 1 755 of which 1 461 on Stockholmsbörsen, 267 on HEX Helsinki, 4 on HEX Tallinn and 23 on HEX Riga. In March, 76 new bonds were registered on Stockholmsbörsen and 80 bonds were delisted. On HEX Helsinki 10 new bonds were registered during the month, while 5 were delisted. On HEX Tallinn 1 new bond was registered and on HEX Riga 2 new bonds were registered during the month.

Covered Warrants

The total number of listed covered warrants is 1 486, of which 1 242 on Stockholmsbörsen and 244 on HEX Helsinki. In March, 163 new covered warrants were listed on Stockholmsbörsen and 132 were delisted. At HEX Helsinki 10 new covered warrants were listed and 25 were delisted.

Market Surveillance

In March, Stockholmsbörsen referred two matters of suspected insider trading to the Financial Supervisory Authority.

Stockholmsbörsen's Disciplinary Committee ordered one company to pay a fine of one annual fee and issued a warning to another company. The companies had breached the Listing Agreement with Stockholmsbörsen by disclosing information to journalists before it had been disclosed to the market in the way stipulated in the Listing Agreement.

A company that was previously placed on HEX Riga's Surveillance segment is now suspended from trading due to a failure of disclosing information in a reliable and accurate manner.

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Share Trading



OMHEX ¹⁾	March ³⁾	February	March	Apr 2003 -	Year
	2004	2004	2003	Mar 2004	2003
Value, EUR billions, total	63,5	52,7	30,9	486,8	414,9
Stockholmsbörsen	41,4	37,7	18,1	323,2	269,6
HEX Helsinki	22,1	15,0	12,8	162,8	144,7
HEX Tallinn	0,05	0,04	0,03	0,61	0,49
HEX Riga	0,011	0,002	0,01	0,13	0,12
Value per business day, EUR millions, total	2 762	2 636	1 473	1 945	1 664
Stockholmsbörsen	1 799	1 883	861	1 293	1 083
HEX Helsinki	961	750	611	649	579
HEX Tallinn	2,1	2,3	1,2	2,4	1,9
HEX Riga	0,5	0,1	0,3	0,5	0,5
Number of trades, total	1 567 775	1 508 493	1 017 106	14 602 266	13 086 660
Number of trades per business day, total	68 164	75 428	48 434	58 345	52 497
Stockholmsbörsen	49 307	58 086	33 534	42 469	37 610
HEX Helsinki	18 695	17 191	14 732	15 702	14 721
HEX Tallinn	73	76	86	88	86
HEX Riga	89	75	81	85	80
Market value, EUR billion, total	445	457	311	445	418
Stockholmsbörsen	270	275	183	270	257
HEX Helsinki	170	178	125	170	158
HEX Tallinn	4	3	2	4	3
HEX Riga	1	1	1	1	1
Turnover velocity, % ²⁾	154	146	114	123	113

Index Development

OMX Index	690,3	698,2	457,8	690,3	636,3
Change in OMX Index, %	-1,1	3,6	-2,6	50,8	29,0
HEX25 Index	1 617,6	1 658,4	1 107,4	1 617,6	1 531,0
Change in HEX25 Index, %	-2,5	4,4	-5,2	46,1	18,4
TALSE Index	340,0	321,4	208,6	340,0	284,6
Change in TALSE Index, %	5,8	2,7	1,7	63,0	33,9
RICI Index	588,8	528,8	288,6	588,8	483,2
Change in RICI Index, %	11,3	-0,7	29,4	104,1	133,3

1) The reported figures pertain to OMHEX in total, unless otherwise stated. Stockholmsbörsen figures include A, O and Xternal list. HEX Helsinki figures include Main list, I List, NM List and Prelist. HEX Tallinn figures include Main list and Second list. HEX Riga figures include Official list, Second list and Free list.

2) The turnover velocity is estimated as total turnover during the period divided by the number of business days during the period multiplied by 250 and divided by the average market value during the period.

3) Exchange rate SEK/EUR: 9.23



Derivative Trading ⁴⁾

Volume in number of contracts	March ³⁾ 2004	February 2004	March 2003	Apr 2003 - Mar 2004	Year 2003
Equity and fixed-income products, total	11 481 469	12 723 833	6 987 075	100 777 040	87 370 982
Share options and futures, total per business day	313 443	509 039	214 098	280 455	239 533
Stockholmsbörsen	184 586	328 565	125 985	178 101	151 625
Swedish products at EDX	57 044	109 624	11 519	40 109	27 185
HEX Helsinki	1 378	18 504	17 567	7 977	7 873
Finnish products at Eurex	70 435	52 345	59 028	54 268	52 850
Index options and futures, total per business day	151 349	109 307	79 321	96 608	84 094
Stockholmsbörsen	85 962	66 483	52 448	60 461	54 027
Swedish products at EDX	44 760	42 824	26 873	34 256	30 067
HEX Helsinki	20 626	0	0	1 890	0
Equity products, total per business day	464 791	618 346	293 419	377 062	323 627
Fixed-income products, total per business day ⁵⁾	34 403	17 846	39 299	25 572	26 805
Short-term interest products	20 698	14 247	25 352	18 407	19 642
Long-term interest products	13 704	3 599	13 946	7 166	7 163
Equity and fixed-income products, total per business day	499 194	636 192	332 718	402 635	350 431
Average Premium Value per business day, Stock Options, EUR million ⁵⁾	6,4	12,4	3,9	5,4	4,6

4) The reported figures pertain to OMHEX in total, unless otherwise stated.

5) Only Stockholmsbörsen and EDX London figures.

Covered Warrant Trading

	March ³⁾ 2004	February 2004	March 2003	Apr 2003 - Mar 2004	Year 2003
Value, EUR millions, total	216,7	228,4	94,2	1 586,2	1 180,8
Value per business day, EUR thousand, total	9 424	11 421	4 486	6 335	4 734
Stockholmsbörsen	5 253	7 631	2 408	3 918	2 824
HEX Helsinki	4 170	3 790	2 079	2 417	1 910
Number of trades, total	55 712	53 562	29 355	412 982	348 000
Number of trades per business day, total	2 422	2 678	1 398	1 650	1 396
Stockholmsbörsen	1 808	2 177	1 063	1 254	1 062
HEX Helsinki	615	501	335	396	334

Trading days

	March 2004
Stockholmsbörsen	23
EDX London	23
Helsinki	23
Eurex	23
Tallinn	23
Riga	23