

Press release

**Financial Markets Stabilisation Fund guarantees bank bond -
First element of liquidity facility agreed with consortium of banks**

Munich, 30 October 2008 – The German Financial Markets Stabilisation Fund ("SoFFin") today granted the EUR 15 billion guarantee applied for by Hypo Real Estate Group on 28 Oct 2008. The guarantee will cover a bank bond which Hypo Real Estate Group can pledge to draw on a special EUR 15 billion liquidity support facility from Deutsche Bundesbank. The guarantee has a short-term maturity. It is planned to refinance the liquidity provided hereunder with the liquidity facility to be provided by a German financing consortium, Deutsche Bundesbank, and the German Ministry of Finance, as announced earlier.

The Group today also reached an agreement with the financing consortium on a key element of this latter facility. It is envisaged to provide the full extent of liquidity facilities by mid-November.

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