

International Centre for Financial Regulation launches Associates Programme

Academic and Professional Associates to help shape agenda

London 26th May 2010 - The International Centre for Financial Regulation (ICFR) today established two new schemes to enhance its output and broaden the scope of its work. The Academic Associates Programme and the Professional Associates Programme will primarily contribute to the ICFR's research and events agendas.

The Academic Associates Programme aims to foster relationships with young academics working in the field of financial regulation and to provide an additional source of research for the ICFR. Running in tandem to this will be the Professional Associates Programme, which presents an opportunity for financial professionals to contribute to the work of the ICFR.

Barbara Ridpath, CEO said: "The associates programmes will aid us in our efforts to promote debate and discourse on regulation throughout industry and academia. In addition helping steer the ICFR's research and events agenda our Academic Associates will enhance our intellectual leadership capabilities, whilst the Professional Associates Programme will provide a practical perspective to better inform our work. As always we are looking to promote well balanced and enlightened views on regulation and reform, and feel our two associates programmes will provide invaluable insight to further inform our thinking"

Associates will participate in steering groups directing the content of research topics and ICFR events. Appointments will be made by application or nomination.

For further information:

Nicola Smith

Penrose Financial

icfr@penrose.co.uk

020 7786 4883

Notes to editors:

The International Centre for Financial Regulation (ICFR) is the product of cooperation between 19 leading financial services companies together with Her Majesty's Government and the City of London, and provides training, scholarship and thought leadership on financial regulation. The Centre, while based in the City of London, will serve constituencies well beyond the borders of the UK. Internationally, the ICFR will engage dialogue across borders on effective regulatory cooperation and regulatory best

practice; act as a clearing centre for those seeking training on regulation and commission research on regulatory frameworks fit for the 21st Century.

For further information please refer to www.icffr.org