

## PRESS RELEASE

### ■ SUSPENSION OF KBC GROUP SECURITIES

The Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier (CSSF) has been informed by the Commission bancaire, financière et des assurances (CBFA), the competent authority of Belgium, of its authorisation to suspend the shares of KBC Group (BE0003565737) (shares, debt instruments and derivatives) from trading on Euronext Brussels from 9:00 a.m. as from 13 May 2009 until the publication of a press release of the issuer. The CSSF has therefore, in accordance with article 9 (3) of the law of 13 July 2007 on markets in financial instruments, demanded the suspension of the said financial instruments from trading on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange until the market has been duly informed.

Luxembourg, 13 May 2009

