

INVESTOR WARNING

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Pursuant to Article 4 para. 7 of the *Bankwesengesetz* (BWG; Banking Act), the Financial Market Authority (FMA) is entitled in individual cases to disclose to the general public by publication in the official gazette “*Amtsblatt zur Wiener Zeitung*”, or in any other official bulletin with nationwide circulation, the name of a company not entitled to carry out certain banking (Article 1 para. 1 no. 1 as well as Article 1 para. 1 no. 7 BWG).

By publication in the official gazette “*Amtsblatt zur Wiener Zeitung*” of 28 February 2009, the FMA is exercising this right and warns against the conclusion of banking transactions requiring a licence with the following provider:

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This provider does not possess a licence issued by the FMA to carry out certain banking transactions in Austria. The acceptance of third-party funds for management purposes or for deposit or to conduct trade on their own account or on the account of a third party is therefore prohibited.