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Correction – Last Trading Day for the Newly-Introduced Italian Stock Options

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Contract Specifications – Italian Stock Options/Italian LEPOs

As a correction to Eurex Circular 008/04, the Management Boards of Eurex Deutschland and Eurex Zürich decided at their meeting of February 25, 2004, to make the last trading day for the newly-introduced Italian stock options series the day before the third Friday of the corresponding month and not the third Thursday as originally communicated. This change to the contract specifications was necessary to avoid a difference in the price calculation of Eurex contracts when compared to contracts in IDEM in these expiration months. This would happen when the first day of a month falls on a Friday, as in October 2004 for example.

The changes to the Contract Specifications are attached to this circular.

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2 Part: Contract Specifications for Options Contracts

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2.21 Subpart: Specifications for Options Contracts on Stocks of Italian Stock Corporations (Italian Stock Options)

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2.21.5 Term, Close of Trading, Expiration Day

(1) Options are available at the Eurex Exchanges with terms up to and including the next, the second and third succeeding expiration days as well as up to and including the next three succeeding quarterly expiration days (March, June, September and December) thereafter and up to both succeeding half-year expiration days (June and December).

(2) The last trading day of an option series shall be the last day on which such option series is available to Exchange Participants for trading and clearing through the EDP system of the Eurex Exchanges. Depending on the options contract chosen the last trading day shall either be the third Friday of the relevant month or the day before the third ~~Thursday~~ Friday of the relevant month; provided that such day is an Exchange day, otherwise the Exchange day prior to such Friday. The expiration day of an option series shall generally be the Exchange day following the last trading day.

(3) An option series may not be cancelled so long as any Exchange Participant continues to hold open positions in such option series.

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2.22 Subpart: Specifications for Low Exercise Price Options (LEPO) on Stocks of Italian Stock Corporations

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2.22.4 Term, Close of Trading, Expiration Day

(1) Options are available at the Eurex Exchanges with two terms up to and including the next two succeeding quarterly expiration days of the cycle (March, June, September and December) thereafter.

(2) The last trading day of an option series shall be the last day on which such option series is available to Exchange Participants for trading and clearing through the EDP system of the Eurex Exchanges. Depending on the options contract chosen the last trading day shall either be the third Friday of the

relevant month or the day before the third ~~Thursday~~ Friday of the relevant month; provided that such day is an Exchange day, otherwise the last trading day shall be the Exchange day prior to such Friday.

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