

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Cyprus Securities and Exchange Commission would like to draw the attention of the supervised entities, the stakeholders and the investing public to the announcement of the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) with reference number **ESMA/2013/214.**

The announcement refers to the publication of a <u>Call for Evidence</u> on the evaluation of the Regulation (EU) No236/2012 on short selling and certain aspects of credit default swaps (SSR). This follows receipt of a <u>formal mandate</u> from the European Commission (EC) seeking technical advice on the evaluation of the effects of the SSR.

The closing date for responses is 15 March 2013.

For more information, please refer to the above-mentioned ESMA announcement which is available on the website of the Cyprus Securities and Exchange Commission, in European Issues section under News label, or at the following link:

http://www.cysec.gov.cy/europeanissues_en.aspx

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Notes for editors

- 1. ESMA is an independent EU Authority that was established on 1 January 2011 and works closely with the other European Supervisory Authorities responsible for banking (EBA), and insurance and occupational pensions (EIOPA), and the European Systemic Risk Board (ESRB).
- 2. ESMA's mission is to enhance the protection of investors and promote stable and well-functioning financial markets in the European Union (EU). As an independent institution, ESMA achieves this aim by building a single rule book for EU financial markets and ensuring its consistent application across the EU. ESMA contributes to the regulation of financial services firms with a pan-European reach, either through direct supervision or through the active coordination of national supervisory activity.