

## ANNOUNCEMENT

### ESMA seeks candidates for its stakeholder representative group

The Cyprus Securities and Exchange Commission ('CySEC') would like to draw the attention of the supervised entities, the stakeholders and the investing public to the Press Release of the European Securities Markets Authority ('ESMA') which calls for candidates to join its Securities Markets Stakeholder Group ('SMSG').

The SMSG forms an integral part of the ESMA governance and plays a key part in advising ESMA on matters of policy and convergence. The SMSG is made up of 30 members representing different categories of stakeholders with a suitable geographical and gender distribution across the European Union.

The deadline for all interested parties to submit their applications is 29<sup>th</sup> January 2016.

The full text of ESMA's Press Release can be accessed at its website at:

[http://www.esma.europa.eu/system/files/2015-1835\\_esma\\_seeks\\_candidates\\_for\\_its\\_stakeholder\\_representative\\_group.pdf](http://www.esma.europa.eu/system/files/2015-1835_esma_seeks_candidates_for_its_stakeholder_representative_group.pdf)

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### Notes for editors

The European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) is an independent EU Authority that contributes to safeguarding the stability of the European Union's financial system by ensuring the integrity, transparency, efficiency and orderly functioning of securities markets, as well as enhancing investor protection. In particular, ESMA fosters supervisory convergence both amongst securities regulators, and across financial sectors by working closely with the other European Supervisory Authorities competent in the field of banking (European Banking Authority - EBA), and insurance and occupational pensions (European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority - EIOPA). More information at [www.esma.europa.eu](http://www.esma.europa.eu)