

## Release

## The FRR supports the Emerging Markets Disclosure Project (EMDP)

Paris, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010- The FRR is pleased to announce its support for the initiative promoting transparency in the emerging markets (Emerging Markets Disclosure Project, EMDP). In markets around the world that are still lacking transparency, it is very important to encourage businesses to disclose more extra-financial information than they currently do, so as to facilitate their financing by providing investors with a better way of assessing the threats and opportunities they present over the long term.

Supported by the World Bank and the United Nations, 1\* the EMDP initiative unites international investors (50 signatures to date, representing assets under management valued at more than a billion dollars). Under this initiative, businesses in emerging countries are being asked to disclose information on their triple-bottom line performances using the framework provided by the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI). Groups of local and international investors have been formed to conduct a dialogue with the large corporations in various markets.

Convinced of the importance of full disclosure in the area of sustainability, the FRR hopes that asset management firms with which it works will support this initiative and play an active role in its implementation.

For more information, go to:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Via the World Bank's International Finance Corporation (IFC), the UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), and the Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI).