



Press Release



S&P Indices Named Most Innovative Index Provider of the Year in Asia by *Structured Products Magazine*

Hong Kong, September 6, 2011 – S&P Indices announced today that it has been named Most Innovative Index Provider of the Year for 2011 by *Structured Products Magazine* Asia.

In response to the growing appetite of Asian investors for index-based instruments, S&P Indices continues to bring a wide variety of investable and benchmark indices to the region. These include the recently-launched S&P Asia Pacific Select REIT 40 Index, which provides investors exposure to the leading 40 real estate investment trusts (REITs) publicly traded on Asia Pacific's key stock exchanges; the S&P Pan Asia Select Dividend Opportunities and Ethical Dividend Opportunities Indices, both of which are designed to give income-seeking investors the tools to track the performance of high dividend-yielding stocks across the region; and other new indices, including the S&P Emerging Asia 40 Index, S&P Access Africa, S&P CNX Nifty Futures Index, the S&P Risk Control 2 Index series and the S&P Commodity Producers Index Series.

“Receiving this award for the second time is a great honor for S&P Indices and reinforces our commitment to creating new, investable and benchmark indices that meet the diversification needs of Asian investors,” says Robin Lo, Regional Head of Client Coverage for S&P Indices. “Index innovation is essential for the continued development of Asia-Pacific markets and the products that provide access to them. As a pioneer in the creation of stock market indices in Asia, we will continue to expand our presence and offerings in the local and regional markets.”

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About S&P Indices

S&P Indices, a world leading index provider, maintains a wide variety of investable and benchmark indices to meet an array of investor needs. Over \$1.25 trillion is directly indexed to Standard & Poor's family of indices, which includes the S&P 500, the world's most followed stock market index, the S&P/Case-Shiller Home Price Indices, the leading measure of U.S. home prices, the S&P Global BMI, an index with approximately 11,000 constituents, the S&P GSCI, the industry's most closely watched commodities index, and the S&P National AMT-Free Municipal Bond Index, the premier investable index for U.S. municipal bonds. For more information, please visit:

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