

# MARKETAXESS RAISES OVER \$200,000 FOR EMERGING MARKETS CHARITIES IN SECOND ANNUAL CHARITY TRADING DAY

Emerging Markets Donations to be presented at Benefits in New York and London

**NEW YORK/LONDON, October 3, 2005** – MarketAxess Holdings Inc., the operator of a leading electronic trading platform for U.S. and European high-grade corporate and emerging markets bonds, today announced that it raised \$202,075 in its Second Annual Emerging Markets Charity Trading Day held on September 21, 2005. This year's contribution, which is more than double last year's amount, will benefit charities that fund a variety of projects in emerging markets around the world.

The strong support from the dealers participating on MarketAxess' emerging markets trading platform was instrumental to the success of the company's Charity Trading Day. The participating dealers are ABN AMRO, Banc of America Securities, Barclays PLC, Bear Stearns, BNP Paribas, Citigroup Global Markets, Credit Suisse First Boston, Deutsche Bank Securities, Goldman Sachs, HSBC, ING Financial Markets, JPMorgan, Lehman Brothers, Merrill Lynch, Morgan Stanley, Santander Investment Securities, UBS and Wachovia Securities.

"Once again, our annual charity trading day has exceeded our expectations. With the strong support of our dealers and institutional investor clients, we were able to double last year's contribution to emerging market charities," said Rick McVey, Chief Executive Officer of MarketAxess. "We extend our deepest thanks to all that were involved in making this event a success. It is gratifying to see the investment community coming together to support important causes that are geared to help those in need."

The MarketAxess Charity Trading Day was developed through a partnership with EMTA, the non-profit trade association for the emerging markets debt industry.

"The support that MarketAxess received in its second annual charity trading day from dealers and clients is overwhelming and we are honored to receive such a significant donation," said Elaine Skinner-Reid, Co-Chair of the London Emerging Markets Benefit. "This much needed funding will be used to continue to aid projects benefiting organizations in developing economies."

The emerging market charities that will benefit from this year's donations are:

- **EMPower** A foundation that supports community-based organizations in emerging countries that are expanding access to education, health care, legal rights and economic opportunity.
- **ProMujer** A women's development organization whose mission is to empower Latin American women to improve their social and economic status in society.
- **Cotlands** A long-serving South African non-profit agency that continues to meet the needs of children affected by HIV/AIDS.
- **Task Brasil** The organization funds projects that improve the lives of Brazilian street children and adolescents, allowing them to enter mainstream society.
- **Health Unlimited** An organization that works with indigenous communities and communities affected by conflict and political instability to achieve better health.
- **SOS Children** SOS provides homes for children without parents, as well as providing education and skill-training in 125 countries around the globe.
- **Resource Foundation** The Foundation cultivates productive relationships between sustainable private development organizations in Latin America and worldwide by leveraging capital and information resources to increase the self-reliance and living standards of the disadvantaged.

• World Education & Development Fund - The Fund provides financial, managerial and technical assistance to partner schools in impoverished Latin American neighborhoods.

#### **About MarketAxess**

MarketAxess operates one of the leading platforms for the electronic trading of corporate bonds and certain other types of fixed-income securities, serving as an electronic platform through which our more than 550 active institutional investor clients can access the liquidity provided by our broker-dealer clients. MarketAxess' multi-dealer trading platform allows our institutional investor clients to simultaneously request competitive, executable bids or offers from multiple broker-dealers, and to execute trades with the broker-dealer of their choice. MarketAxess offers our clients the ability to trade U.S. high-grade corporate bonds, European high-grade corporate bonds, credit default swap indices, agencies, high yield and emerging markets bonds. MarketAxess also provides data and analytical tools that help our clients make trading decisions, and we facilitate the trading process by electronically communicating order information between trading counterparties. MarketAxess' current participating dealers are: ABN AMRO, Banc of America Securities, Barclays PLC, Bear Stearns, BNP Paribas, Citigroup Global Markets, Credit Suisse First Boston, Deutsche Bank Securities, DZ Bank, FTN Financial, Goldman Sachs, HSBC, ING Financial Markets, JPMorgan, Jefferies & Company, Lehman Brothers, Merrill Lynch, Morgan Stanley, RBC Capital Markets, The Royal Bank of Scotland, Santander Investment Securities, SG Corporate & Investment Banking, UBS and Wachovia Securities. For more information please visit <a href="https://www.marketaxess.com">www.marketaxess.com</a>.

#### **About EMTA**

Founded in 1990, EMTA (formerly the Emerging Markets Traders Association) is a not-for-profit corporation dedicated to promoting the orderly development of fair, efficient and transparent trading markets for Emerging Markets instruments, and the integration of the Emerging Markets into the global financial marketplace.

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