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ABN AMRO announces the appointment of Maureen DeRooij as the bank's new Country Executive in Hong Kong and CEO of Large Corporates & Merchant Banking in Asia.

Mrs. DeRooij re-joins ABN AMRO from Standard Chartered Bank in Singapore, where she most recently held the position of Regional Head South-East Asia for Small and Medium Enterprises, having also served as Global Head of Natural Resources and Commodity Trading as well as Group Chief Operating Officer for the Wholesale Bank client business globally.

She is a highly experienced banker in the commodities sector and began her career as a management trainee at ABN AMRO in the Netherlands in 1990, culminating as Head of Global Structured Commodity Finance for North America. She spent ten years in the United States, latterly heading the Global Structured Commodity Product Group at Citibank based in New York.

Mrs. DeRooij holds a Master's Degree in Corporate Law (LLM) from the Rijksuniversiteit of Leiden and an MBA from the University of Chicago. She serves on the Board of the Lee Kong Chian School of Business at **Singapore Management University**. Her appointment is effective from 1 September and is subject to customary regulatory approvals.

Rutger van Nouhuijs, Global Head of Large Corporates & Merchant Banking at ABN AMRO, said:

'Asia is a significant region for our international businesses and future growth. Maureen is exceptionally well qualified to further build our offering for clients and to drive our ambitions in these fast growing markets.'

Large Corporates & Merchant Banking in Asia comprises ABN AMRO's client coverage teams for Energy, Commodities & Transportation (ECT), Financial Institutions and Commercial Banking International. Products and services include Trade Services, Debt Solutions, Escrow & Settlement and Corporate Finance & Capital Markets.

ABN AMRO in Asia-Pacific is active in Private Banking, Large Corporates & Merchant Banking, Clearing and Markets. It is a leading provider of private banking services having recently received the 'Most Financially Stable and Reputable Private Bank' 2013 award by Asiamoney. ABN AMRO is recognised as well for its expertise in ECT, having been awarded 'Best Commodity Trade Finance Bank Asia-Pacific' by Trade Finance magazine for the last two years. ABN AMRO has been present in the region since 1858. The bank covers the Asia-Pacific region from offices in Hong Kong, Shanghai, Singapore, Sydney and Tokyo.