

## **CME Group Announces Annual Corporate Officer Promotions**

CHICAGO, Feb 17, 2009 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- CME Group, the world's largest and most diverse derivatives exchange, today announced the following Corporate Officer promotions, which were effective February 15:

-- Danielle Dycus, 43, Managing Director, Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA)

Dycus is responsible for the creation, execution and management of CME Group's long-term growth strategy within EMEA, including growing the company's customer base and increasing awareness of the CME Group brand and products in the region. Prior to joining the company in 1991, Dycus worked in marketing roles for Lend Lease Retail, Ltd. in Sydney, the Times of India in New Delhi and AIESEC in Chicago. She earned bachelor's degrees in management and French from Purdue University and an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University.

-- David Hoag, 39, Managing Director, Clearing Technology

Hoag leads an IT team responsible for delivering high performance and reliable technology solutions that enable CME Clearing to protect the integrity of its current markets and expand into new ones. Prior to joining the company in 2003, Hoag held technology roles with Bearing Point Inc. and ObjectWave Corporation. He earned a bachelor's degree in computer science from the University of Illinois.

-- Kevin Lennon, 42, Managing Director, Real Estate

Lennon is responsible for leading CME Group's real estate strategy, portfolio management, leasing, building management and corporate facilities functions across all of the company's locations. Before joining the company in 1995, Lennon previously held leasing and asset management roles for the U.S. General Services Administration. He earned a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Notre Dame and an MBA with concentrations in real estate and finance from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University.

-- Christopher Mead, 41, Managing Director, Marketing

Mead is responsible for leading the creation and delivery of targeted, integrated and customer-focused marketing campaigns that differentiate CME Group products in the marketplace. Before joining the company in 2005, Mead held marketing positions at CNA Insurance, Total Sports, Brand Thirty-Three and United Buyers Incorporated. He earned a bachelor's degree from Keene State College and an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University.

-- Mark W. Bennett, 40, Director, Software Engineering

Bennett is responsible for leading the company's front-end development, including more than 18 different customer-facing technology applications. Before joining the company in 2001, Bennett held technology positions with Sapient and Science Applications International Corporation and served 10 years in the United States Air Force (USAF) as a Non-Commissioned Officer. He is a graduate of the USAF advanced electronics and computer systems engineering program.

-- Thomas Boggs, 58, Director, Equity Products

Boggs is responsible for developing and executing the company's global equity index options sales strategy. Prior to joining the company in 2004, Boggs held options and business development roles for Knight Financial Products, The Pacific Exchange and the Chicago Board Options Exchange. He earned a bachelor's degree from Southern Illinois University.

-- Ellyn Burnett, 33, Director, Software Engineering

Burnett directs development for CME Group trade revenue systems. She has held internal audit and technology roles since joining the company in 1997. She earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from Indiana University and a master's degree in information systems with a concentration in project management from DePaul University.

-- Paul Callaway, 33, Director, Software Engineering

Callaway is responsible for the technology architecture and development of the company's matching engine for CME Group

options and selected futures. Prior to joining the company in 2002, Callaway held technology roles at Parlano (now Microsoft) and UBS. He earned a bachelor's degree in computer science from Case Western University and a master's degree in computer science from the University of Michigan.

-- Dennis Cue, 35, Director, Professional Development and Organizational Effectiveness

Cue is responsible for leading the employee learning and development function at CME Group to transform the company into a learning organization. Prior to joining the company in 2002, Cue held training and development roles for Nationwide Insurance and served as an Applied Psychology instructor at The Ohio State University. He earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and a master's degree and Ph.D. in industrial-organizational psychology from The Ohio State University.

-- Cathy DeMille, 34, Director, Systems Engineering

DeMille is responsible for managing the company's open systems and storage platforms, data center computer infrastructure and technology support financial controls. Prior to joining the company in 2003, DeMille held IT consulting roles at Arthur Andersen and Deloitte Consulting. She earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Michigan.

-- Charles Farra, 49, Director, International Sales

Farra is responsible for leading international sales efforts across all CME Group asset classes to drive volume growth and expand our global client base. Before joining the company in 2002, Farra gained 22 years of brokerage and proprietary trading firm experience, focusing on institutional customers in the Asian region and proprietary trading operations in the U.S. He earned a bachelor's degree in marketing from Indiana University and an MBA in finance from DePaul University.

-- Mahesh Hira, 55, Director, Product Management and Operational Solutions

Hira is responsible for directing new product launch execution and product data management across CME Group platforms. Hira has served in trading floor and electronic trading operations and risk management roles since joining the company in 1989. He earned a bachelor's degree in economics from Bombay University, a bachelor's degree in computer science from Roosevelt University and a post graduate certificate in software development from DePaul University.

-- Ciby Kuruvilla, 37, Director, Quality Assurance

Kuruvilla is responsible for overseeing the quality management of back-end systems within CME Group's electronic trading systems. Prior to joining the company in 2003, Kuruvilla held technology consulting roles for Amgen, Brocade, Hitachi Semiconductor, 3Com, Charles Schwab and Broadbase. He earned a bachelor's degree in electronics engineering from Bombay University and a bachelor's degree in management from Menlo College.

-- Sachi Pati, 36, Director, Software Engineering

Pati is responsible for leading the development of trade processing and risk management tools used by CME Clearing. Prior to joining the company in 2000, Pati worked for various IT consulting companies including Covansys and Tata Consultancy Services. He earned a bachelor's degree in applied electronics and instrumentation engineering from Regional Engineering College in Rourkela, India.

-- Jim Skillen, 41, Director, Systems Engineering

Skillen is responsible for leading CME Group's enterprise technology production assurance team. Before joining the company in 2002, Skillen managed technical infrastructure for W.W. Grainger, Inc. He earned a bachelor's degree in economics from Loras College.

-- Ari Studnitzer, 31, Director, Software Engineering

Studnitzer is responsible for leading the development of CME Group order routing systems. Before joining the company in 2002, Studnitzer held software development and project management roles at Deloitte Consulting. He earned a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and an MBA in finance and strategy from the University of Chicago Booth School of Business.

-- Kathleen Wilcox, 35, Director, Corporate Initiatives Group

Wilcox is responsible for driving program management across CME Group's business initiatives. Prior to joining the company in

2006, Wilcox gained more than nine years of experience in business and technical consulting. She earned a bachelor's degree in economics from Northwestern University and will complete an MBA from the University of Chicago Booth School of Business in 2009.

-- David Wong, 31, Director, Enterprise Risk Management

Wong is responsible for leading the company's enterprise risk management program. Before joining the company in 2007, Wong was a First Vice President of Risk Management at LaSalle Bank ABN AMRO and a Manager of Enterprise Risk Services at Deloitte. He earned a bachelor's degree in accountancy from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University and a certificate in strategic decisions and risk management from Stanford University. He is a Certified Public Accountant and a Certified Information Systems Auditor.

-- Jaime Yeh, 31, Director, Product Marketing

Yeh is responsible for executing CME Group's global marketing. Before joining the company in 2005, Yeh held marketing roles for Citigroup's Citi Merchant Services Division and Sourcelight Technologies. She earned a bachelor's degree in media and English from Northwestern University and an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University.

CME Group ([www.cmegroup.com](http://www.cmegroup.com)) is the world's largest and most diverse derivatives exchange. Building on the heritage of CME, CBOT and NYMEX, CME Group serves the risk management needs of customers around the globe. As an international marketplace, CME Group brings buyers and sellers together on the CME Globex electronic trading platform and on trading floors in Chicago and New York. By acting as the buyer to every seller and the seller to every buyer, CME Clearing virtually eliminates counterparty credit risk. CME Clearing also offers financial safeguards to help mitigate systemic risk, providing the security and confidence market participants need to operate, invest and grow. CME Group offers the widest range of benchmark products available across all major asset classes, including futures and options based on interest rates, equity indexes, foreign exchange, energy, agricultural commodities, metals, and alternative investment products such as weather and real estate. CME Group is listed on NASDAQ under the symbol "CME."

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