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Press Release

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Josseph de la Vega Prize 2006

The Federation of European Securities Exchanges is delighted to announce that this year's winner of the Josseph de la Vega Prize 2006 is Arman Khachaturyan for his paper "The one-share-one-vote controversy in the EU". Mr Arman Khachaturyan has studied the European Commission recent proposal to introduce a one-share-one-vote rule. The Jury rewarded in particular the relevance of the issue covered, the methodology approach and the practical applicability.

In addition, an Honourable Mention has also been awarded to <u>Benjamin Moldenhauer</u> for his paper "Insider Ownership, Corporate Performance and the German Entrepreneurial Index (GEX) – Practical and Academic Evidence from Germany". This paper tackles the value added effects of insider ownership in the German public equity market. Again, this is a very valuable contribution to the current debate on corporate governance by a very young researcher.

Josseph de la Vega Prize 2006 - Jury

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Prof. Sven Caspersen, Rector of Aalborg University (Denmark), former President of FESE

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