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PRESS RELEASE

SEB's leading financial community The Benche expands to cover Cash Management

SEB, the leading Nordic financial institution, today announced that [The Benche](#), its information and networking platform, now encompasses Cash Management in addition to Trade Finance.

Targeting cash management professionals, treasury directors around the globe and SME retail clients, topics discussed on the new section of The Benche include cash and liquidity management, working capital management, billing and supplier invoice handling and risk management. The platform provides valuable insight and information on new local, regional and international rules and regulations, daily cash management news, SEPA webinars, country reports and analysis as well as experts' blogs and an extensive FAQ section.

The Benche is the leading Internet community for professionals interested in financial issues, in particular Trade Finance and Cash Management. The Benche, which was launched in November 2008, is now established as an essential source of information for the industry, consisting of more than 2,800 registered members and attracting over 12,000 hits every month.

The Benche enables professionals in the Trade Finance and Cash Management space to easily get hold of high-quality information, meet peers and share their experiences. They can also generate new business opportunities.

Håkan Aldrin, Director for The Benche at SEB said: "Extending the information on The Benche to Cash Management is an exciting and major step, and treasurers and finance directors now need to look no further. Professionals in both areas have a strong need for networking, and they can now create synergies by working closer together than ever before. We are convinced that the additional information available on The Benche now will further stimulate discussion in the worldwide financial community, and we will continue to add new content and develop new services for our members."

More information about The Benche can be found here:

<https://www.thebenche.com>

SEB is a Nordic financial group serving some 400,000 corporate customers and institutions and five million private individuals. SEB offers universal banking

services in Sweden, Germany and the Baltic countries - Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. It also has local presence in the other Nordic countries, Ukraine and Russia and a global presence through its international network in major financial centres. On 31 December 2009, the Group's total assets amounted to SEK 2,308bn (~EUR 225bn) while its assets under management totalled SEK 1,356bn (~EUR 132bn). The Group has about 20,000 employees. Read more about SEB at www.sebgroup.com.

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