

S&P Capital IQ Appoints Rocco Sta. Maria to Lead EMEA Sales and Client Services

Move Signifies Increasing Importance of EMEA Markets to Firm's Growth

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NEW YORK and LONDON, May 7, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- S&P Capital IQ, a leading provider of multi-asset class data, tools and services for company, security and portfolio valuation and risk analysis, today announced several senior staff changes, signaling the growing importance of European markets for the firm's analytical and research products and services. Effective immediately, Rocco Sta. Maria, currently Managing Director of S&P Capital IQ Sales and Client Services for the Asia-Pacific region, will become Managing Director of Sales for Europe, the Middle East and Africa, assuming all day-to-day leadership responsibilities for this region from the firm's London office.

Mr. Sta. Maria brings to his new position more than two decades of experience in senior management and sales leadership roles, including more than seven years leading S&P Capital IQ's sales team in APAC, and 17 years at IBM where, in addition to other responsibilities, he was General Manager for IBM Global Services - Financial Services Sector in the ASEAN/South Asia region. Mr. Sta. Maria has both a B.S. and MBA from the University of the Philippines.

"EMEA represents a prime focus of growth for S&P Capital IQ," said Lou Eccleston, President, S&P Capital IQ. "Over the past eight years, Rocco has led his Asia-Pacific team to deliver strong revenue and market share growth for the region. In addition, he has established a significant footprint for the firm in emerging markets such as China and India, while continuing to grow the business in developed markets such as Japan and Australia. I know he will produce similar successes in EMEA."

S&P Capital IQ also announced that Jose Ordonez, currently Vice President, Head of Sales for the Pacific region, based in Melbourne, will move to Singapore and succeed Mr. Sta. Maria as the head of Sales and Client Services for Asia-Pacific. Mr. Ordonez joined Standard & Poor's in London as a sales director in 1998, covering credit risk management, with target customers in London, Scandinavia, Iberia and Ireland. In 2003, he moved to a sales director role in San Francisco, where he specialized in Structured Finance, selling online research, digital feeds, credit portfolio, recovery, credit scoring and default tools.

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