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LMA FORMS LIQUIDITY WORKING PARTY

The LMA has formed a working party, comprising some of the major European banks, to examine the implications of the proposed Basel III recommendations. The LMA is very concerned that the proposals as they currently stand could potentially reduce the availability of loans and increase the cost to borrowers. The LMA is working alongside other banking and borrower representative bodies to promote the good of the corporate sector and wider economic recovery.

Clare Dawson, Managing Director of the LMA, said 'The LMA fully supports regulators' desire to strengthen the banking sector, but is concerned that any measures taken should not adversely impact banks' ability to support the real economy'.

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Loan Market Association

The Loan Market Association was founded in December 1996 by seven leading international banks in London. Its aim was to encourage liquidity and efficiency in both the primary and secondary loan markets by promoting market depth and transparency, as well as by developing standard forms of documentation and codes of market practice. Banks, law firms and other market practitioners/participants are welcome to apply to join the LMA.

The Association was established in anticipation of changing market conditions and of a perceived willingness on the part of the banking community to bring greater clarity, efficiency and liquidity to the relatively under-developed secondary market.

The LMA has gained recognition in the market and has expanded its activities to include all aspects of the primary and secondary syndicated loan markets. It sees its overall mission as acting as the authoritative voice of the syndicated loan market in Europe vis à vis banks, borrowers, regulators and other affected parties.

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