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**First Derivatives plc
("First Derivatives" or the "Company")**

Directorate Change

First Derivatives plc (AIM: FDP.L, ESM: GYQ.I), a leading provider of software and consulting services to the capital markets industry, is pleased to announce the appointment of Seamus Keating as a Non Executive Director of the Company.

Seamus has over twenty years experience in the global technology sector in both finance and operational roles and was a main board director of Logica plc from 2002 until April 2012. He was Logica Group CFO until 2010 when he became COO and head of its Benelux operations. He also chaired the group's worldwide Financial Services practice. Having implemented a major restructuring plan in the Benelux region, he resigned from Logica plc, ahead of its acquisition by CGI of Canada. Prior to his role at Logica, he worked for the Olivetti Group in finance roles in the UK and Italy. He is currently working in the mid market private equity technology sector.

Seamus joined the board of Mouchel Group plc and became chair of the audit committee in November 2010, following a number of profit warnings, and remained on the board until September 2012, when the company was restructured and placed into Administration and its business purchased by a buyout company owned by its lenders.

Brian Conlon, CEO of First Derivatives, commented; "I am delighted to welcome a Director of Seamus' pedigree to the Board. His wide ranging experience with world class technology businesses in our sector will provide valuable insights as we expand the size and the breadth of our business."

Details of directorships that Seamus Declan Keating, aged 49, holds, or has held in the previous five years, are given below:

Current directorships:

Skapital Limited

Past directorships:

Logica PLC

Mouchel Group plc

Save for the declarations above there is no further information to be disclosed under Rule 17 or Schedule Two paragraph (g) of the AIM Rules for Companies.

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About First Derivatives

First Derivatives is a global provider of software and consulting services to the financial services industry. With over 15 years experience working with leading financial institutions, it continues to deliver technologically advanced, award winning products and services that anticipate and respond to the evolving needs of global capital markets.

First Derivatives currently employs over 710 people worldwide and counts many of the world's top investment banks, brokers and hedge funds as its customers. It has operations in London, New York, Stockholm, Shanghai, Singapore, Toronto, Sydney, Dublin, Newry and Hong Kong.