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CSFB's 2005 Asian Investment Conference Brings in Heavyweights

Hong Kong, March 3, 2005 – Credit Suisse First Boston today unveiled a strong line-up of speakers for its 2005 Asian Investment Conference. The eighth annual AIC will run from March 15-18, 2005, in Hong Kong.

“We have put together a world-class line-up of speakers to provide insights on the issues that are at the forefront of investors’ minds,” said CSFB’s Asia Pacific CEO and Chairman, Paul Calello.

Day one of the conference will kick off with an Economics Keynote Session featuring Professor **Joseph Stiglitz**, winner of the Nobel Prize in Economics, and **Raghuram Rajan**, Economic Counselor and Director of the International Monetary Fund’s Research Department. The session will carry a central theme of “The Dragon and the Greenback: The U.S. dollar, the Renminbi and the implications of China’s economic rise.” These world-renowned economists will discuss their views on some of the most significant questions facing investors today: where is the U.S. dollar headed, and who decides?

Also on day one, Tuesday March 15, **Victor Fung**, the Group Chairman of the Li & Fung Group of companies and Chairman of the Greater Pearl River Delta Business Council, will talk about the “9+2” concept for a single market in the Greater Pearl River Delta region. Then on Thursday March 17, **Vincent Lo**, Chairman of the Shui On Group and Chairman and CEO of Shui On Land Ltd., will discuss the westward progression of investment and development in the Yangtze River region.

On Wednesday March 16, Indonesia’s Minister of State-Owned Enterprises, the Rt. Honorable **Sugiharto**, will address the conference. On the final day, Friday March 18, **R. Glenn Hubbard**, Dean of the Columbia School of Business and a former Chairman of the US President George W. Bush’s Council of Economic Advisors, will give his outlook for the US economy and its likely impact on the global economy.

Mr. Calello said more than 1,600 investors from around the world would be taking part in the Asian Investment Conference, while about 250 companies from across the region would make presentations.

The conference will be followed by the Rugby World Cup Sevens 2005, of which CSFB is a Principal Sponsor. The event will run from March 18-20.

“Whether you are an investor, a business manager or even a sports fan – this is the week to be in Asia,” Mr. Calello said. “Interest in both the conference and the Sevens this year has hit new highs, reflecting the fact that all eyes are on this region.”

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For more information, please see our conference website at:

www.csfb.com/conferences/aic2005/. All keynote speeches will be open to the media, but kindly note that company presentations are not open to the press.

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