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Pricing Supplement



## Euro Area Reference Note Issuance Facility

**ISSUE NUMBER: 1254/0100** 

EUR 5,000,000,000 3.875 per cent. EARNS due 15 October 2016

Issue Price: 99.421 per cent.

**Joint-Lead Managers** 

Barclays Capital

Deutsche Bank

**BNP PARIBAS** 

Merrill Lynch International

Citigroup

**Dresdner Kleinwort** 

**JPMorgan** 

Morgan Stanley

Senior Co-Lead Managers

Caboto

Credit Suisse HSBC

Lehman Brothers

Nomura International

**Co-Lead Managers** 

ABN AMRO

CALYON Corporate and Investment Bank IXIS Corporate & Investment Bank Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking UBM - UniCredit Banca Mobiliare Goldman Sachs International ING Wholesale Banking The Royal Bank of Scotland UBS Investment Bank

**BOC International** 

Selling Group

Banca Akros S.p.A. - Gruppo Bipiemme Popolare di Milano Nordea

The date of this Pricing Supplement is 18 October 2006

This Pricing Supplement, under which the EARNs described herein (the "EARNs") are issued, is supplemental to, and should be read in conjunction with the Offering Circular dated 3 January 2002 (the "Offering Circular") issued in relation to the Euro Area Reference Note Issuance Facility of European Investment Bank. Terms defined in the Offering Circular have the same meaning in this Pricing Supplement. The EARNs will be issued on the terms of this Pricing Supplement read together with the Offering Circular. EIB accepts responsibility for the information contained in this Pricing Supplement which, when read together with the Offering Circular, contains all information that is material in the context of the issue of the Notes.

The member states of the European Union have adopted a directive regarding the taxation of savings income. Pursuant to the directive each member state will be required to provide to the tax authorities of another member state details of payments of interest made by a person within its jurisdiction to an individual resident in that other member state, subject to the right of certain member states to opt instead for a withholding system for a transitional period in relation to such payments. Investors should rely on their own analysis of the directive and respective laws and should take advice from appropriate legal or taxation professionals.

On 29 October 2004 the member states of the European Union signed the "Treaty establishing a Constitution for Europe" in Rome. The fifth Protocol on the Statute of the European Investment Bank contains a revised Statute of the EIB, which will become effective when the Treaty enters into force in accordance with Article IV-447 of such Treaty.

The member states of the European Union signed a treaty of accession with Romania and the Republic of Bulgaria on 25 April 2005 in Luxembourg. Under the treaty, which is subject to ratification, Romania and the Republic of Bulgaria would become member states of the European Union on 1 January 2007 or, in certain circumstances, 1 January 2008.

This Pricing Supplement does not constitute, and may not be used for the purposes of, an offer of, or an invitation by or on behalf of anyone to subscribe or purchase any of the EARNs.

In connection with the issue of the EARNs, BNP Paribas, Barclays Bank PLC, Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch and Merrill Lynch International (together, the "**Stabilising Managers**") (or any person acting on their behalf) may over-allot EARNs (provided that the aggregate principal amount of EARNs allotted does not exceed 105 per cent. of the aggregate principal amount of the EARNs) or effect transactions with a view to supporting the market price of the EARNs at a level higher than that which might otherwise prevail. However, there is no assurance that the Stabilisation action may begin on or after the date on which adequate public disclosure of the terms of the offer of the EARNs is made and, if begun, may be ended at any time, but it must end no later than the earlier of 30 days after the issue date of the EARNs and 60 days after the date of allotment of the EARNs. The terms of the EARNs and additional provisions relating to their issues are as follows:

| 1    | Series No:   | 1254/0100  |
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| 2    | Tranche No:  | 01   |
| 3    | ISIN :   | XS0272359489   |
| 4    | Common Code:   | 027235948  |
| 5    | Currency:  | Euro ("EUR")   |
| 6    | Principal Amount of Tranche:   | EUR 5,000,000,000  |
| 7    | Issue Date:  | 25 October 2006  |
| 8    | Denomination:  | EUR 1,000  |
| 9    | Interest Commencement Date:  | Issue Date   |
| 10   | Interest rate:   | 3.875 per cent. per annum  |
| 11   | Reference Rate (Floating Rate EARNs):  | N/A  |
| 12   | Margin (Floating Rate EARNs):  | N/A  |
| 13   | Relevant Screen Page (Floating Rate Targeted EARNs):                               | N/A  |
| 14   | Interest Payment Date(s):  | 15 October of each year, beginning on 15<br>October 2007 In respect of the period from<br>and including, 25 October 2006 to but<br>excluding, 15 October 2007 (short first<br>coupon), and ending on the Maturity Date |
| 15   | Maturity Date:   | 15 October 2016  |
| 16   | Details of any other additions or variations to the<br>Conditions (if applicable): | N/A  |
| 17   | Details of any additions or variations to the selling restrictions:                | N/A  |
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18 The Agents appointed in respect of the EARNs:

BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch as Fiscal Agent, Principal Paying Agent and Luxembourg Listing Agent BNP Paribas Securities Services S.A. as

Paris Paying Agent BNP Paribas, Paris as Paris Listing Agent

- 19 Listing:
- 20 Selling Commission:
- 21 Management and Underwriting Commission:
- 22 Method of issue of EARNs:
- 23 The following Dealers are acceding to the Dealer Agreement pursuant to Clause 14.1 thereof:

Joint Lead Managers:

Senior Co-Lead Managers:

Co-Lead Managers:

Selling Group Members:

24 Clearing Systems:

Luxembourg and Euronext Paris

0.05 per cent. of the principal amount of the EARNs

0.10 per cent. of the principal amount of the EARNs

Syndicated Issue

Barclays Bank PLC BNP Paribas Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch Merrill Lynch International

Banca Caboto S.p.A. Citigroup Global Markets Limited Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited Dresdner Bank Aktiengesellschaft HSBC Bank plc J.P. Morgan Securities Ltd. Lehman Brothers International (Europe) Morgan Stanley & Co. International Limited Nomura International plc ABM AMRO Bank N.V. **BOCI Asia Limited** CALYON Goldman Sachs International ING Belgium SA/NV -IXIS Corporate & Investment Bank Société Genéralé The Royal Bank of Scotland pic **UBS** Limited UniCredit Banca Mobiliare S.p.A. Banca Akros S.p.A. - Gruppo Bipiemme Banca Popolare di Milano Nordea Bank Danmark A/S

Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. as operator of the Euroclear System

Clearstream Banking, société anonyme (Clearstream, Luxembourg) Euroclear France

25 Date of approval by EIB:

11 October 2006

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Each by its duly authorised attorney

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