

The Supervisory Board
Deutsche Börse AG
The Cube
Mergenthalerallee 61
65760 Eschborn
Germany

1 June 2016

Dear Sirs,

Statement regarding recommended all-share merger of Deutsche Börse AG ("Deutsche Börse") and London Stock Exchange Group plc ("LSEG plc")

We refer to (i) the UK scheme document and the prospectus as well as (ii) the German offer document and the prospectus (the documents under (i) and (ii) together the "**Relevant Documents**") all dated on or around 1 June 2016 relating to the recommended merger of Deutsche Börse and LSEG plc.

The Relevant Documents include certain references to HSBC Bank plc.

We hereby confirm that HSBC Bank plc has given and has not withdrawn its consent to the issue of the Relevant Documents with the inclusion therein of references to its name in the form and context in which they appear.

Yours faithfully

/s/ Andrew Owens

For and on behalf of HSBC Bank plc