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MALTA FINANCIAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

Circular to the financial services industry in relation to a discussion paper published by ESMA in relation to the AIFMD

The Authority would like to draw your attention to the following:

On the 15th April 2011, ESMA published a discussion paper (ESMA/2011/121) setting out its proposed approach, including alternative options where relevant, for developing its advice to the Commission in relation to the AIFMD.

A copy of ESMA's discussion paper is available through the following link: http://www.esma.europa.eu/popup2.php?id=7547

All contributions should be submitted online at <u>www.esma.europa.eu</u> under the heading 'Consultations'. The deadline for responses to the consultation is Monday 16th May, 2011.

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