

GCAB TO BEGIN EUROPEAN ROADSHOW IN OPPOSITION OF ARGENTINA'S RESTRUCTURING OFFER

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Over US\$1 Billion in holders of Argentine Debt have joined GCAB in the past 24 hours.

The Global Committee of Argentina Bondholders (GCAB) is commencing a series of investor presentations in opposition of Argentina's restructuring offer, arguing that it is unilateral and coercive in nature. The Steering Committee will present its views on likely participation rates, official sector involvement and proposed terms they would be willing to endorse.

GCAB will travel to various cities in Europe next week, as follows. Details of the US roadshow to be released shortly.

Monday, January 24: London – 4:00 p.m.

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One Canada Square London E14 5AD Tel. +44 207 516 6000

Tuesday, January 25: Geneva – 9:30 a.m.

L'Hotel du Rhône Mandarin Oriental Quai Turrettini, 1 1201 Geneva Tel. +022 909 0001

Frankfurt – 10:00 a.m.

Frankfurt Hilton Hochstrasse 4

Frankfurt am Main, DE 60313

Tel. +49 69 13380

Thursday, January 27: Milan – 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, January 26:

Associazione Bancaria Italiana Via della Posta, 3 - 5th floor

20123 Milano

Tel. +39 02 72101 241

Friday, January 28: Rome – 10:30 a.m.

Associazione Bancaria Italiana Piazza del Gesù, 49 – 1st floor

00186 Roma

Tel. +39 06 6767 602 / 603

Zurich – 3:30 p.m.

Swiss Exchange Convention Point Selnaustrasse 30 8021 Zurich

Tel. +058 854 23 10

<u>Lugano – 4:00 p.m.</u>

Details to be announced.



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If you would like to attend any of the above meetings, please:

- (i) contact your GCAB representative directly;
- (ii) contact your Bear Stearns salesperson; or
- (iii) contact Susie Ustariz at Bear Stearns

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About GCAB

GCAB was formally established in January 2004 by representatives of all the major foreign bondholder constituencies of defaulted Argentine debt, and consists of a broad-based group of holders. The Steering Committee represents holders from Germany, Italy, Japan, Switzerland, the USA and other countries. Its retail and institutional members hold approximately US\$40 billion in defaulted debt of Argentina, accounting for 45% of the principal amount of US\$82 billion in outstanding Argentine debt and 73% of all outstanding Argentine debt held outside Argentina.

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In order to download the roadshow presentation, the general membership form or obtain additional information, please visit the GCAB web site at **www.gcab.org**.