

Announcement

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Trading in the new shares will start on 18 June 2010

A total of 251,635 shares were issued under the bank's Employee Share Ownership Programme (ESOP) of Erste Group on 27 May 2010. As a result, the total number of Erste Group shares rose from 377,925,086 to 378,176,721. Trading in the new shares will start on 18 June 2010 in Vienna, Prague and Bucharest. Shares purchased under the programme must be held for a minimum of one year.

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