Ad hoc release

8 August 2016

Erste Finance (Jersey) (6) Limited decides to redeem the EUR 200,000,000 Series J Fixed Rate Perpetual Reset Non-cumulative Non-voting Preference Shares (ISIN-Code: XS0215338152) (the "Preference Shares")

Erste Finance (Jersey) (6) Limited, a company registered in Jersey with registration number 89587, announces that it has decided to exercise its option in accordance with Art 5 of the Statement of Rights of the Preference Shares to redeem the remaining Preference Shares in issue in whole on 23 September 2016, the optional redemption date, at the optional redemption price of EUR 1,000 per Preference Share plus accrued and unpaid dividends (whether or not declared) for the dividend period from and including 23 September 2015 to (but excluding) 23 September 2016.

Erste Group Bank AG and the European Central Bank have consented to the redemption of the Preference Shares.

Erste Finance (Jersey) (6) Limited 13, Castle Street JE4 5UT St. Helier Jersey

For more information, please contact:

Erste Group, Investor Relations Email: <u>investor.relations@erstegroup.com</u>

 Thomas Sommerauer
 Tel: +43 5 0100 17326,

 Gerald Krames
 Tel: +43 5 0100 12751,

Email: <u>thomas.sommerauer@erstegroup.com</u> Email: <u>gerald.krames@erstegroup.com</u>