

Ad hoc information

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Erste Bank - 4:1 stock split effective 8 July 2004

Following the earlier investor release of 1 July 2004, this is to reiterate that due to Erste Bank's four for one stock split from today, 8 July, 241,442,892 Erste Bank shares will be tradeable on both the Vienna and Prague Stock Exchanges.

The closing price of the Erste Bank share of EUR 131.50 on 7 July 2004 therefore corresponds to a price of EUR 32.88 after the stock split.

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