



## **IFDS wins prestigious platform award**

2008 UK Platform Awards recognise IFDS' market leading service provision to platforms.

**London, 3 November 2008** - International Financial Data Services (IFDS), the international transfer agency joint venture between State Street Corporation and DST Systems, Inc., announced today that it received a prestigious industry award for its administration services to fund platforms at the 2008 UK Platform Awards. The awards were presented at a dinner and ceremony at London's Café Royal. The 'Best Administration Service Provider to Platforms' award was voted for by the platforms themselves.

IFDS provides market-leading service and technology solutions for distributors, advisors and investors in the UK as well as Canada, Ireland and Luxembourg, and via Boston Financial Data Services to the U.S. market.

### **Matthew Brown, Business Development Director, commented:**

*"What makes this award so pleasing is that the platforms themselves voted for their choice of administrator. This is a great endorsement of all the hard work undertaken at IFDS to service distributors and platforms, in particular, the specialist services we provide under our 'Distributor Services' banner."*

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## NOTES TO EDITORS:

### International Financial Data Services ("IFDS"):

Is a 50/50 joint venture between affiliates of Boston-based **State Street Corporation**, the world's leading provider of services to institutional investors, and **DST Systems Inc.**, a Kansas City, Missouri-based leading provider of shareholder accounting services and proprietary systems.

IFDS is today recognised as the world's leading provider investor record keeping and transfer agency solutions on a BPO (Business Process Outsourcing) and ASP (Application Service Provision) basis. Our services are provided to a wide range of global collective investment, wealth management and platform clients, supporting over 17 million accounts for over 160 organisations, and with over 2,500 experienced staff based in four locations (Canada, Ireland, Luxembourg & United Kingdom). Figures as September 30, 2008.

### State Street Corporation:

State Street Corporation (NYSE: STT) is the world's leading provider of financial services to institutional investors including investment servicing, investment management and investment research and trading. With \$14 trillion in assets under custody and \$1.7 trillion in assets under management at September 30, 2008, State Street operates in 26 countries and more than 100 geographic markets worldwide

### DST Systems, Inc.:

DST Systems, Inc. provides sophisticated information processing and computer software products and services to support the mutual fund, investment management, insurance and healthcare industries. In addition to technology products and services, DST provides integrated print and electronic statement and billing output solutions through a wholly owned subsidiary. DST's world-class data centers provide technology infrastructure support for mutual fund companies, healthcare providers, banks, mortgage bankers and insurance companies around the globe. DST is headquartered in Kansas City, Missouri, and is a publicly traded company on the New York Stock Exchange.

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