

## **Aareal Bank sells its asset management activities - Ad hoc announcement according to § 15 WpHG**

Wiesbaden, 14 December 2006 - Aareal Bank AG announced that today it has sold its asset management business to Schroders, the global asset management company. The parties have agreed upon a consideration of approx. € 28 million, including approx. € 6 million of net tangible assets. Furthermore Schroders has agreed to acquire certain investments owned by Aareal Bank AG, in the underlying funds managed by Aareal Asset Management GmbH that are currently valued at € 21.4 million. In addition Schroders has agreed also to acquire possible further participations up to an amount of € 29.8 million not prior to 31 March 2007. All in all, the bank expects to realise a low double-digit million euro profit. The transaction is subject to approval by the responsible regulatory authorities.

Aareal Bank had successfully realigned its asset management business over recent years.