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## HSBC WINS FX HOUSE OF THE YEAR AT INSTO DISTINCTION AWARDS

HSBC was awarded Foreign Exchange House of the Year by INSTO magazine at the 10th annual 2008 INSTO Distinction Awards held on 5 February 2009.

The annual awards recognise the achievements of Australia's major commercial banks, investment banks, corporates, stockbrokers, law firms and other key industry participants. The finalists were judged by INSTO magazine subscribers, industry researchers and peers.

HSBC's head of global markets, Tony Cripps, said the bank was honoured to receive the award which represents a strong endorsement of HSBC's global markets and treasury teams particularly its FX and interest rate derivatives expertise.

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### **Notes to editors**

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