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Payments conference to highlight changes within European payments landscape

Rugby, UK : 21 March 2006 : Leading players from across the European payments industry will address banking, finance and corporate treasury delegates at 'Payment Strategies 2006', on Thursday 25th May at The Heritage Motor Centre, Gaydon, Warwickshire. Hosted by Eiger Systems, Europe's leading developer of validation and payment processing solutions, 'Payment Strategies 2006' is expected to attract delegates from across industry and commerce, particularly senior finance and IT executives.

"The speaker panel at Payment Strategies 2006 is unique in its market knowledge, authority and breadth", believes Joy Stevenson, Event Organiser at Eiger Systems. "By combining the strategic and analytical with the practical and commercial, we are ensuring that delegates from a variety of backgrounds and organisations will find their need for information, insight and counsel well met."

Key speakers include Ralph Silva, Research Director at TowerGroup who will discuss 'The changing European payments landscape', and consider the significant changes emerging within Europe, including the impact of SEPA (Single Euro Payment Area) and its associated regulations.

Also presenting is Ian Footitt, a Director at Deloitte who will provide an overview of the latest legal and regulatory requirements facing organisations and how these will influence payment strategies.

'What does the future hold for BACS users?' is the subject of Richard Cooper's address, Head of Commercial Services at Voca Limited. Richard will discuss Voca's future plans and provide an insight into how these changes will benefit BACS users, in particular focusing on the significance of Voca's goal to achieve SEPA compliance.

Two speakers will share with delegates their own corporate experience of payment optimisation and compliance. Malcolm Durney, Banking Technical Authority at Norwich Union Life will speak on risk management and cost reduction, whilst Richard Gous, Banking Operations Manager from BT Group Treasury will consider the challenges of regulation and compliance. Jonathan Williams, Senior Product Manager at Eiger Systems completes the speaker platform, by addressing a variety of European payment issues, including BIC (Bank Identifier Code) and IBAN (International Bank Account Number) compliance.

Bank of Scotland, Barclays, HSBC, Lloyds TSB and RBS are all exhibiting at 'Payment Strategies 2006' along with IBM, LogicaCMG and Perot Systems.

The Heritage Motor Centre is centrally situated a few minutes' drive from Junction 12 of the M40 and within close proximity to all major motorway routes in the Midlands. National and international rail and airport links are similarly convenient. Attendance is free of charge.

For more information please visit <http://www.eiger.co.uk/ps2006> or telephone +44 (0) 1788 554800.

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Eiger Systems' solutions facilitate Straight Through Processing creating significant opportunities for cost and risk reduction.

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Eiger Systems' product and service portfolio includes:

EigerPAY Gateway® for managing the entire BACSTEL-IP payment submission process from file origination to reconciliation

BANK WIZARD® a single software solution which supports validation of bank account details for multiple countries

BILLER WIZARD® for the validation of bill payments made from telephone or online banking systems

Eiger Systems' products are available on a wide range of computer platforms, from PCs through to mainframe environments. Open and flexible APIs facilitate integration into customers' existing business applications and robust design ensures that Eiger Systems' products are fully scaleable and capable of accommodating any level of transaction processing. Eiger Systems' commitment to customer quality extends throughout the development cycle, using the acclaimed Unified Modelling Language methodology, to class-leading technical support and renowned data integrity.

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