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Invitation to bid by auction Reopening of 10-year Federal bonds

For the account of the Federal Government, the German Finance Agency, through Deutsche Bundesbank, will reopen once again the

2.50 % bond of the Federal Republic of Germany of 2010 (2021)

due on 4 January 2021 annual coupon date 4 January interest has begun to accrue on 26 November 2010 first interest payment on 4 January 2012 for 404 days ISIN DE0001135424 // WKN 113 542

launched on 24 November 2010, using an auction procedure. An increase of \leqslant 4 billion is envisaged for the issue (auction allotment and amount set aside for secondary market operations). The current volume of the bond amounts to \leqslant 15 billion.

Members of the Bund Issues Auction Group are entitled to bid. Bids must be for a par value of not less than € 1 million or an integral multiple thereof. The price bids must be expressed in terms of full 0.01 percentage points. Non-competitive bids are possible. The bids accepted by the issuer will be allotted at the price bid. Non-competitive bids are filled at the weighted average price of the bids accepted. The right to scale down bids is reserved. The separation of principal and interest payments and their separate trading ("stripping") will be possible.

Time schedule of the auction procedure:

Bidding period: Wednesday, 23 March 2011,

from 8.00 a.m. until 11.00 a.m. Frankfurt time

Inclusion in stock

exchange trading: Wednesday, 23 March 2011 Value date: Friday, 25 March 2011

Settlement: delivery versus payment-settlement in the night-time processing of

Clearstream Banking AG Frankfurt, beginning on the eve of the value date

In addition, the Auction rules, the Special terms and conditions of the Deutsche Bundesbank for auctions of Federal securities using the Bund Bidding System (BBS) and the Issue terms for Federal securities shall apply.