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RENEWAL OF ISO 9001 AND ISO 27001 CERTIFICATIONS

- **A pledge of security and quality for the entire market**
- **An asset for the Casablanca Stock Exchange (CSE) in its development process**

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After the first ISO 9001 certifications of its Quality Management Systems (QMS) and the ISO 27001 Information Security Management Systems (ISMS), received respectively in 2011 and 2014, **the Casablanca Stock Exchange has renewed its certifications**, following the audits carried out by Bureau Veritas.

This double distinction bears witness to compliance with **Version 2015 of the International Standard ISO 9001 and Version 2013 of the International Standard ISO 27001** and supports the efforts exerted by the Casablanca Stock Exchange to keep this institution at its continental and international level.

Upholding ISO 9001 and ISO 27001 international standards helps the Casablanca Stock Exchange evolve and **support its large-scale structuring projects**, and at the same time, meet the legal and regulatory requirements.

These standards strengthen the **role of management in the quality and security approach** of the Casablanca Stock Exchange. They **address risk analysis, take account of the external environment and make customer satisfaction continuously at the heart of the CSE's strategy**.

ISO 9001 2015 is also a **support tool for the staff** of the Casablanca Stock Exchange. As a matter of fact, this standard allows CSE staff to work more efficiently because the processes are aligned and understood by all staff members.

The international standard ISO 27001 (approved NM ISO/IEC 27001 in 2014) provides for requirements pertaining to the development and operation of an ISMS, including a **whole set of security measures designed to manage and mitigate risks associated with information assets** that the Casablanca Stock Exchange seeks to protect by implementing its ISMS.

Thus, this certification renewal has come to reward the efforts made by the Casablanca Stock Exchange teams, and constitutes a **pledge of perseverance and commitment by the CSE to enhance the promotion of the Moroccan financial market and to make Casablanca an inevitable financial hub**.



About « Bureau Veritas »

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About the Casablanca Stock Exchange

The Casablanca Stock Exchange ranks among the major markets in Africa. Between 2011 and 2015, it held the 3rd position for the number of its IPOs, the 4th position in terms of amounts raised through its IPOs with US\$ 394 million, i.e. 6.4% of the total amount. By end of 2016, the CSE ranked second in terms of capitalization with US\$ billion 58 and 3rd in terms of volume with US\$ 3 billion.

The Casablanca Stock Exchange has, in the last few years, enhanced its opening on the African financial markets, and strengthened its relations with the continent's operators. In partnership with the Regional Stock Exchange (BRVM), the CSE has initiated the inception of an impetus group to promote capital markets in the WAEMU zone. It also concluded partnerships with several exchanges in the continent.

In terms of promotion activities, the Casablanca Stock Exchange has been involved in organizing and co-organizing thematic sessions on the sidelines of international and regional events to promote African financial markets: namely a conference held in the wings of COP 22; the launching of « The Marrakech Pledge for Fostering Green Capital Markets in Africa », jointly organized with AMMC; and hosting of the 6th Edition of Building African Financial Markets (BAFM).

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