Compagnie Financière Tradition



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Trillions of dollars of securities, commodities, currencies and foreign exchange change hands in the world each day ...

U.S bond markets

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\$1.18 trillion

Daily average, Federal Reserve of NY, for the week of 16/03/2005

OTC derivatives markets

(currency and interest rate)

\$1.20 trillion

in April 2004

Source: BIS 2004 Triennial Survey

Regulated derivative financial markets

6.15 trillion

For 2004.

or an average of 24.5 million contracts a day (excluding single stock contracts and commodities contracts) Source: BIS Quarterly Review. Dec 2004

Forex markets

(spot et forward)

\$1.90 trillion

Daily average, April 2004

Equity markets

NYSE: \$46.1 billion Euronext: \$9.6 billion

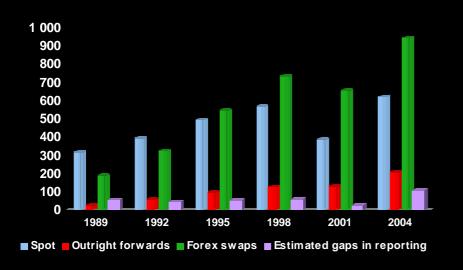
LSE: \$19.8 billion

Daily average for 2004 Source: WFE, Jan. 2005

Trading volumes strongly ahead ...

Global Foreign Exchange Market Turnover – daily averages in April, in billions of USD -

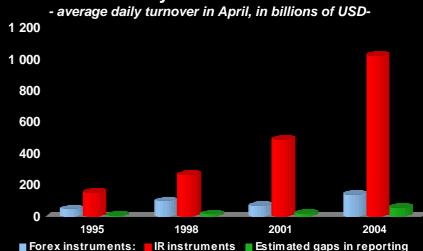
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+ 57% growth at current exchange rates

+ 36% at constant exchange rates between April 2001 and April 2004

Global OTC Derivatives Market Turnover by Instrument



+ 112% growth at current exchange rates

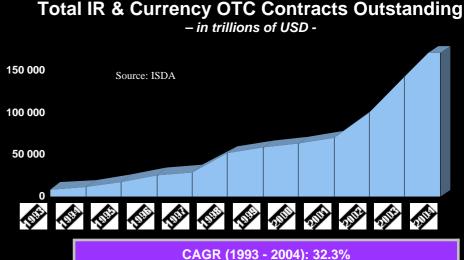
+ 77% at constant exchange rates between April 2001 and April 2004

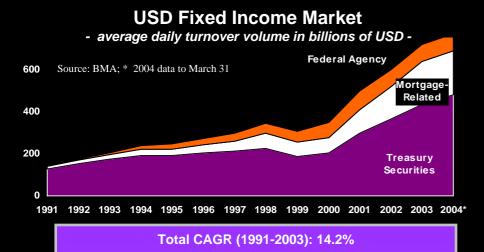
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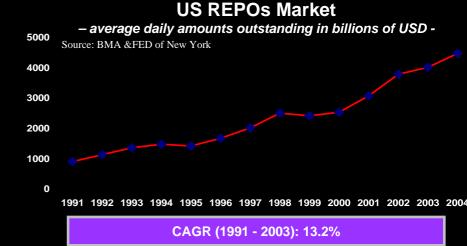
buoyed by the spread of financial innovation, use of hedging techniques and hedge funds



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Usual market segmentation and value chain challenged

Markets and clients are becoming increasingly global, continually seeking better pools of liquidity in a multi asset classes environment.

- Listed instruments / OTC markets
- Wholesale markets / Distribution to end users
- Types of intermediaries
 - Stockbrokers
 - Futures brokers
 - IDBs
 - ATS/Electronic access
- Role of data vendors / Stock Exchanges / Brokers / Banks / Clearers



The final round of consolidation in the IDB sector

- Collins Stewart buys Tullett and Prebon
- Espeed and Maxcor in talks
- GFI got listed
- Trio got delisted
- Tradition finalises the acquisition of Chapdelaine

Other frontiers are blurring

- Reuters and CME partner
- Thomson buys Tradeweb
- Euronext bids for MTS
- And many other examples every day

Towards a market structured around a few global liquidity pools

- Traditional model for intermediaries questioned
 - Conflict of interest, price sensitivity and direct market access
- Traditional market structure changing

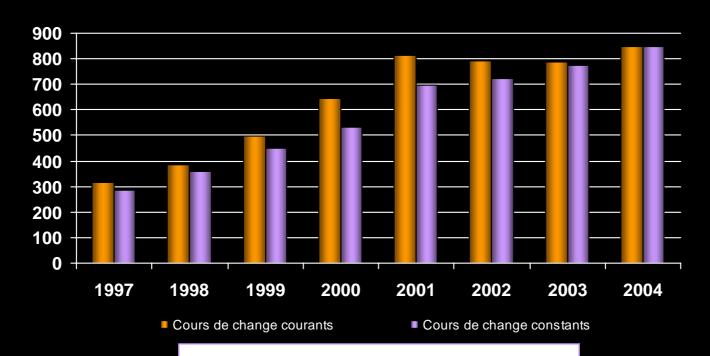
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- New European directive, OTC clearing, etc.
- Consolidation of brokers towards a few one stop shops
- The key role of the broker
 - Sales force of exchanges for centralised markets
 - Marketplace with specific expertise in OTC markets:
 - Intermediary between supply and demand, the broker plays a role in pricing and market liquidity.
 - The client uses a broker to obtain a better price and so as not to reveal its interests

Compagnie Financière Tradition: a leading global player

In this context, size is key
Size has been a constant strategic objective at CFT
From a "second tier player" in sixth position in 1996, to being one of the top three

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1996 Revenues CHF 222,1 million CAGR 1996-2004 18,3% in current terms

CAGR 1997-2004 15,3% in current terms and 16,8% in 2004 constant terms





> CHF 1 500 m	1. ICAP (U.K.)
	2. Tullett Prebon (U.K.)*
> CHF 1 000 m	3. CFT **
> CHF 400 m	4. Cantor (U.S.A.)***
	5. GFI (U.S.A.)
< CHF 250 m	6. Maxcor (U.S.A.)

^{*} Tullett Prebon: excl. Collins Stewart

^{**} Tradition turnover: post acquisition

^{***} Cantor's turnover: e-Speed + BGC Partners+MIS excluding Cantor US

And overall including exchanges and futures brokers

REUTERS Turn.: 6,490 MCHF MC: 13,390 MCHF BLOOMBERG Turn.: 4,076 MCHF MC: NA

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DEUTSCHE BORSE Turn.: 2,245 MCHF MC: 10,037 MCHF E*TRADE ICAP
Turn.: 1,779 MCHF Turn.: 1,756 MCHF
MC: 5,175 MCHF MC: 3,734 MCHF

CSTL Turn.: 1,687 MCHF MC: 1,930 MCHF REFCO Turn.: 1,514 MCHF MC: NA EURONEXT Turn.: 1,373 MCHF MC: 5,177 MCHF INSTINET Turn.: 1,082 MCHF MC: 2,291 MCHF

CFT* CME NASDAQ FIMAT
Turn.: 1,024 MCHF Turn.: 855 MCHF Turn.: 629 MCHF Turn.: 619 MCHF
MC: 662 MCHF MC: 7,709 MCHF MC: 989 MCHF MC: NA

FIMAT LSE
rn.: 619 MCHF Turn.: 562 MCHF
MC: NA MC: 2,594 MCHF

MAN FINANCIAL Turn.: 536 MCHF MC: NA

ARCHIPELAGO

Turn.: 246 MCHF

MC: 974 MCHF

MAXCOR Turn.: 225 MCHF MC: 98 MCHF

OMX

Turn.: 528 MCHF

MC: 1,691 MCHF

GFI Turn.: 448 MCHF MC: 824 MCHF

ISE

Turn.: 146 MCHF

MC: 1,116 MCHF

OPTIONSXPRESS Turn.: 105 MCHF MC: 1,144 MCHF

CANTOR ESPEED

Turn.: 411 MCHF

MC: 571 MCHF

MARKETAXESS Turn.: 87 MCHF MC: 247 MCHF

ITG

Turn.: 389 MCHF

MC: 857 MCHF

AMERITRADE

Turn.: 1.025 MCHF

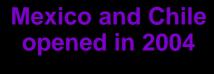
MC: 4,863 MCHF

Figures at 31/03/05

^{*} Proforma post acquisition

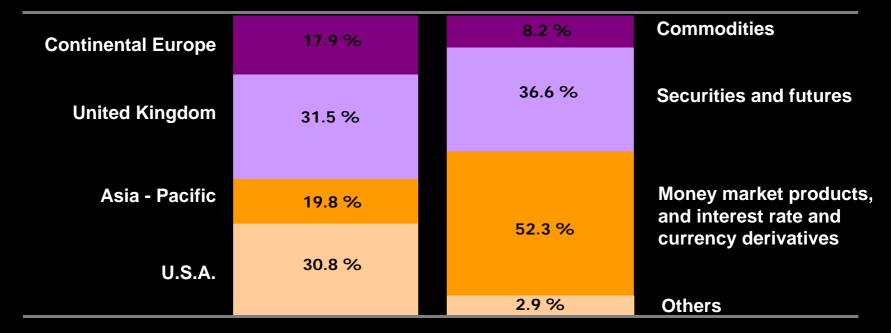
^{**} Cantor's turnover excluding Cantor US; Capitalisation for eSpeed only (56.4 million shares)

Thanks to a diversified product range and geographic spread



Analysis of turnover in 2004

A tradition of development and innovation



Geography

Asset class

19,02=%.859#8 unique approach of retail markets in its sector

Retail activities represent more than 2% of the revenues and experience rapid growth

FXDD.com in the U.S., in 2003, for online forex operations In London
Tradindex.con
a financial
spread betting
company

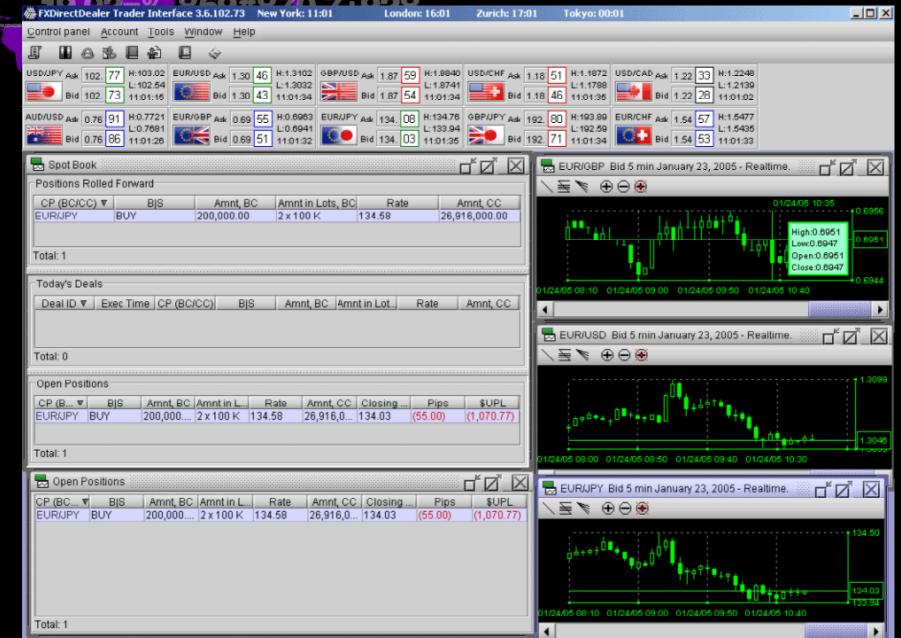
Gaitame.com in Tokyo in 2002

Thousands of individual clients in Japan

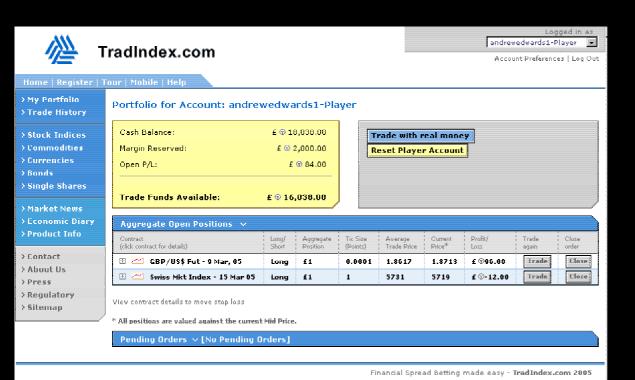


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An expertise in Internet technology



Businesses developed in growing segments







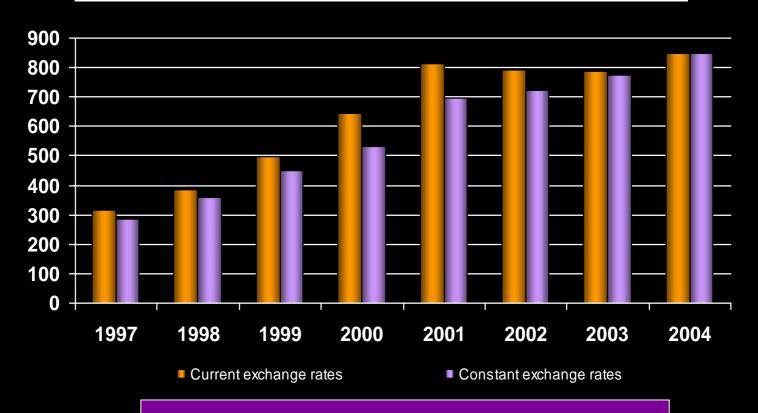
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2004 Turnover

Revenues have increased by 10,1% in constant terms

Consolidated turnover of CHF 849.7 million



A rise of 8.1% at current exchange rates and 10.1% at constant exchange rates

In a 2004 contrasted trading environment

Volatility Indices: LBOX & VDAX

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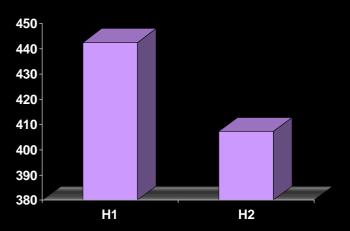


Interest Rates Volatility Indices: USD Swaption Volatility (LBOX) vs Euro Swaption Volatility (LBOXE)



CFT's consolidated turnover

in million of Swiss francs



A very quiet Q3 up to the US elections early November



Money market and interest rate and currency derivatives 52.3%

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2004: MCHF 444.5 2003: MCHF 403.0 2004 / 2003: + 10.3%

(+ 12.3% at constant exchange rates)

Securities and futures

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Commodities and other activities

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2004 Product trends

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- Activities strongly ahead in money market products and interest rate derivatives (+12.4% at constant exchange rates. New York operations significantly bolstered by recruitment of new teams and strong organic growth (+37.7%); marked improvement in the Asia-Pacific region powered by input from new teams (+15.8%); London operations remained stable (+0.9%), while continental Europe was down as business continued to migrate to London.
- Another highly successful year for the TFS-ICAP-Volbroker joint venture, uncontested leader in currency options. For CFT, turnover in this segment was up 12.0% at constant exchange rates.

2004 Product trends

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Global turnover up 3.6% (at constant exchange rates) thanks to activities in London (+5.4%) and continental Europe (+8.7%). New York's activities remained stable en 2004, accounting for 40.4% of the sector's revenues. The Asia-Pacific region accounted for 0.9% of operations, at constant exchange rates, against 1.4% in 2003.

2004 Product trends

After a decline in energy activities in 2003, in the wake of the Enron affair, turnover in this segment rose 14.5% at constant exchange rates, with the natural gas and electricity sectors in New York delivering a particularly good performance. Activities in the oil sector were globally lower.

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- With the repositioning of teams in response to a migration of the market to London and New York, activities in precious metals delivered mixed results depending on the region. Globally, turnover was down 9.5% at constant exchange rates.
- The development of new activities catering to private investors, posted total turnover of CHF 25.0 million

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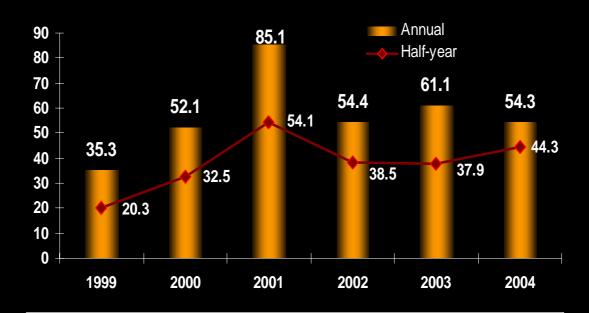
2004 Operating results



Operating profit: CHF 54.3 million

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Operating profit down 11.2% in current terms and 6.3% in constant terms



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In millions of Swiss francs	2004	2003	Change in %
Net turnover	849.7	786.1	8.1
Other net operating income	-0.5	-	-
Operating income	849.2	786.1	8.0
Operating charges	-794.9	-725.0	9.6
Operating profit	54.3	61.1	-11.2
Operating margin	6.4%	7.7%	

Unusual market conditions and objective of growth have weighted on margins in the second half



Zoom on H2 profitability

A conjunction of simultaneous factors during the second half of the year

- → 4 months of weak trading conditions on top of a usually short December month; costs base difficult to adjust as quickly as the variations of activity after a sustained pace of growth in H1.
- Some salaries adjustments made to respond to particularly fierce competitive pressure on teams
- Development policy nevertheless pursued and in line with the strategic objective of size, new teams were hired
- All these factors combined at the same time: 4 offices in 3 locations with a swing of operating margin of more than 10% between H1 and H2
 - → Represent 1/3 of the revenues of H2 and explain 2/3 of the H2 under-performance,
 - Paris Office only : an impact on H2 operating profit of at least CHF 6 millions

Zoom on H2 profitability

- The overall cost of changing the business mix of continental European offices
- Loss making operations:
 - a significant cost over the year with a deterioration in the second half primarily explained by the acquisition of the stockbroker SP Angel in April 2004.
- Some exceptional items in the second half



Zoom on H2 profitability

- Looking forward, some areas of progress in terms of cost control but competitive pressure on staff remains at an all time high
- Beginning of the year shows improved levels of margins for key offices which had suffered in 2004
- The objective of size remains the number one strategic priority



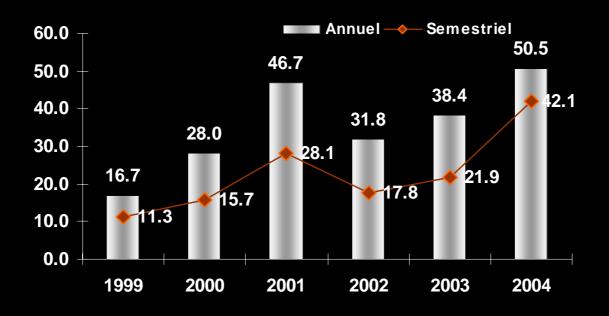
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Net profit - Group share of CHF 50.5m



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Net profit - Group share

In millions of Swiss francs	2004	2003	%
Operating profit	54.3	61.1	-11.2
Financial income	-1.7	9.6	-117.2
Profit before tax	52.6	70.7	-25.6
Tax	-23.1	-26.1	-11.4
Associated undertakings	-0.9	-0.6	+42.8
Goodwill amortisation	1.0	-0.6	-254.0
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Net gains on investments and marketable securities	275	1,646	-11.4 +42.8
Net profit on sale of treasury shares	-	5,829	-254.0
Interest and exchange gains and losses	-1,029	2,122	
Provision on investments	-900	-33	
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Effective tax rate	44.0%	36.9%	
Average standard tax rate*	34.7%	31.6%	

<u>Consolidated tax expense</u> of CHF 23,137,000 takes account of deferred tax income of CHF 1,230,000 relating to accumulated depreciation recognised by Tradition (North America) Inc. on its tangible fixed assets. An additional tax expense of CHF 1,923,000 was charged directly against exceptional items.

^{*} Weighted average of tax rates in effect in the various tax jurisdictions in which the Group has subsidiaries



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After taking account of a tax charge of CHF 1.9 million,

net profit on the sale was CHF 25.6 million.

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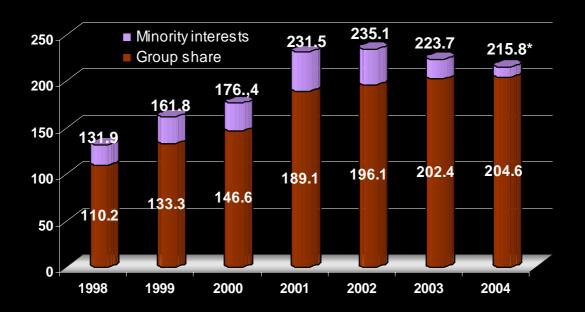
Balance sheet at 31 December 2004

Consolidated balance sheet at 31 December 2004

ASSETS			LIABILITIES		
CHF millions	2004	2003	CHF millions	2004	2003
Cash and mark. securities	195.3	232.2	Financial debts	49.3	67.0
Trade debtors	105.3	93.3	Other short term debts and	334.9	208.7
Other receivables and	241.3	108.5	accrual		
accruals			Cont. & loss provisions	15.8	12.6
Current assets	541.9	434.0	Total creditors	400.0	288.3
Financial fixed assets	14.6	18.9	Shareholders ' equity - Gs	204.6	202.5
Tangible fixed assets	30.8	33.2	Minority interests	11.2	21.2
Intangible fixed assets	28.6	25.9	Willofity lifterests	11.2	21.2
Fixed assets	73.9	78.0	Shareholders' equity	215.8	223.7
TOTAL ASSETS	615.8	512.0	TOTAL LIABILITIES	615.8	512.0

Consolidated shareholders' equity

Consolidated shareholders' equity of CHF 215.8 million



Shareholders' equity/ total assets: 35.0%

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Net cash position at 31.12.2004: CHF 146.1million

^{*} After restatement of treasury shares



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Share performance





Compagnie Financière Tradition share

Stock N° : 1,248,815

Listing : SWX Zurich

Number of shares : 5,449,769

Nominal value : CHF 2.50

Share capital : CHF 13.7 million

Outstanding : 27.13%

P/E 2004 : 11.97x

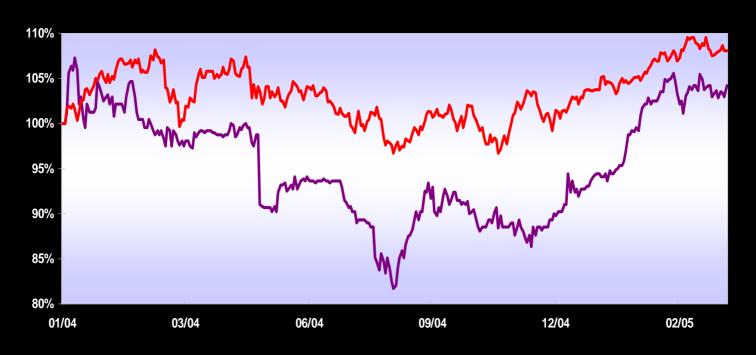
2004 Dividend : CHF 6.0

■ Yield 2004 : 5.40%*

^{*} At 31 December 2004

Share performance

Increase in the share price of 4.3%* since 01.01.2004 and 10.9% since 01.01.2005

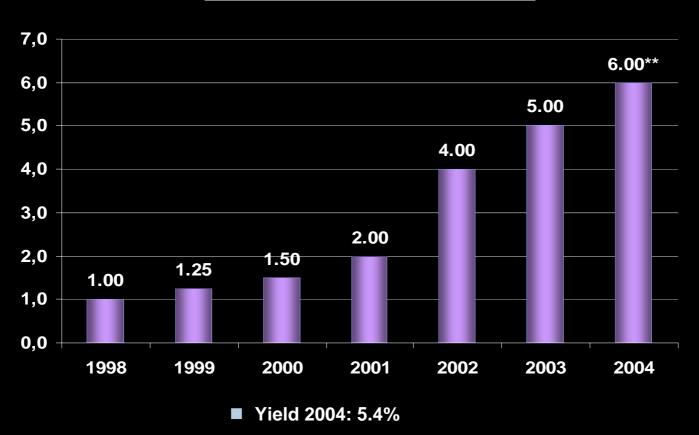


---- CFT: 10.9%* ---- SMI: 2.8%*





Dividend per share* (CHF)



- Based on a share of CHF 2.50 nominal value
- ** Will be recommended to the General Meeting of Shareholders on 18 May 2005



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Outlook



- Continue to build our product range in order to provide complete product line breadth and geographic spread.
- Actively participate in the consolidation of the sector.
- Achieve this development while improving our operating margin.

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