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Moody's confirms highest rating for SIX SIS and SIX x-clear

The subsidiaries of SIX Group have again received the top ratings Prime 1 for short-term deposits and Aa1 for long-term deposits. The high scores of previous years are thus confirmed.

Moody's, one of the world's leading rating agencies, justified the high ratings with the state-of-the-art infrastructure of the two companies made available to the Swiss financial center via the entire Group. A strong organization and highly efficient processes were further factors leading Moody's to award the highest rating.

Thomas Zeeb, CEO of the Securities Services division of SIX Group, said: "To gain such recognition from Moody's in the first year after the merger and the founding of SIX Group is particularly pleasing. The top rating confirms our conviction that we can meet the challenges of the market from a position of strength thanks to our new organization. In so doing, we can gear our services even better to the needs of financial market participants. This only underscores SIX Group's core mission to provide smoothly operating systems for the Swiss financial center."

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