



MEDIA RELEASE

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ASF launches the first Diploma qualification for Australian Securitisation Participants

Sydney, Australia. Roger Desmarchelier, Chairman of the Australian Securitisation Forum (ASF), has announced the official launch of the *Securitisation Professionals Program*, the first Diploma qualification specifically catering to the needs of Australian securitisation participants.

Developed using the existing syllabus from the highly successful *ASF Introduction to Securitisation* course, this program has been designed to ensure that individuals operating in the Australian securitisation industry have had their general knowledge of the industry and its legal, regulatory and compliance issues objectively evaluated against an agreed standard.

Candidates' who successfully complete the Program, and its assessments, will be eligible for a *Diploma of Financial Services FNS50107*, a level 5 qualification within the Australian Qualifications Framework. This qualification can also assist organisations to meet their RG164* requirements.

The 2 day workshop component of the *Securitisation Professionals Program* has been available to industry participants since April 2007. Recently, the ASF was granted Registered Training Organisation (RTO) status, allowing the ASF to award the diploma qualification.

A number of assessment pathways are available to candidates who have previously completed the *ASF Introduction to Securitisation* course (prior to April 2007) or *Securitisation Professionals Program* (April - August 2007).

For more information on the program, please refer to the attached *Securitisation Professionals Program* brochure or visit www.securitisation.com.au

* From 5 July 2007, ASIC *regulatory guidance* (RG) replace all *policy statements* (PS). ASIC intends to rewrite documents published before 5 July in the new regulatory format when they are reissued. Its expected PS 164 will be re-issued in September 2007.

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