

BIR is the international trade association of the recycling industries. Around 70 countries are represented through their national trade associations and individual companies which are involved in recycling. BIR comprises four commodity divisions: iron and steel, non ferrous metals, paper and textiles, and has committees dealing with stainless steel and special alloys, plastics and rubber. BIR's primary goals are to promote recycling and recyclability, thereby conserving natural resources, protecting the environment and facilitating free trade of secondary raw materials.

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## World Recycling Convention & Exhibition and 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of BIR Monte Carlo, 2-4 June 2008

## LME Chief Executive Martin Abbott to speak at BIR Non-Ferrous Division plenary session

Martin Abbott, Chief Executive of the London Metal Exchange, will be giving a guest presentation at the plenary session of the BIR Non Ferrous Metals Division on Tuesday, 3 June 2008, in the framework of the 2008 World Recycling Convention & Exhibition in Monte Carlo.

It is the first time that Mr Abbott will be speaking at a BIR Convention, and his comments on the LME as the world's foremost metals exchange as well as his analysis of the markets promise to be of highly topical value.

Mr Abbott has been in his current position since October 2006. Prior to his

appointment at the LME, he was President and Publisher, AMM LLC and

Publisher and Editor-in-Chief, Metals, Minerals and Mining Division of Metal

Bulletin PLC. He also worked for LME ring-dealing members AMT and

Sogemin and spent 3 years with the LME from 1990 to 1993.

During the plenary session of the Non-Ferrous Metals Division, there will also

be a round-table discussion involving major consumers from various parts of

the world to assess the major changes that affected their business. A separate

press release will inform you of the composition of the panel.

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