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## **BHF-BANK's assets under custody exceed EUR 300 billion mark**

**Frankfurt, 5 July 2007.** BHF-BANK's assets under custody broke through the EUR 300 billion barrier at the end of May. It was only at the beginning of 2006 that the bank exceeded the level of EUR 200 billion.

This 50 per cent increase in the volume of assets under custody in just 18 months is primarily attributable to inflows from existing and new clients. Price gains played no significant role in this context. Among other developments last year, the insurance group Signal Iduna was acquired as a new client through BHF BNY Securities Services. The bank's comprehensive range of services, its prompt and efficient processes and its flexible approach on the market proved to be decisive factors in this acquisition.

Commenting on this very positive trend, Wolfgang Danicke, head of the Asset Management & Financial Services division, said: "We are absolutely delighted that our custody services are so well received." Cornelia Keth, head of the Custody Sales & Solutions group, added: "The high ratings our clients have given to our custody services are also reflected by a number of awards we have received from various trade magazines, such as the title "Best in Class" from Money Market magazine."

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