



Certificate of Approval of a Prospectus
Pursuant to the Prospectus Regulations 2005

To:

FINANZMARKTAUFSICHT (FMA) – FINANCIAL MARKET AUTHORITY (AUSTRIA)
COMMISSION BANCAIRE, FINANCIERE ET DES ASSURANCES (BELGIUM)
AUTORITE DES MARCHES FINANCIERS (FRANCE)
BUNDESANSTALT FUR FINANZDIENSTLEISTUNGSAUFIGICHT (BAFIN) (GERMANY)
IRISH FINANCIAL SERVICES REGULATORY AUTHORITY (IRELAND)
COMMISSIONE NAZIONALE PER LE SOCIETA E LA BORSA (ITALY)
COMMISSION DE SURVEILLANCE DU SECTEUR FINANCIER (LUXEMBOURG)
MALTA FINANCIAL SERVICES AUTHORITY (MALTA)
AUTORITEIT FINANCIERE MARKTEN (AFM) (THE NETHERLANDS)
COMISION NACIONAL DEL MERCADO DE VALORES (SPAIN)

From:

The Financial Services Authority
25 The North Colonnade, Canary Wharf, London E14 5HS, United Kingdom

We hereby certify that the Base Prospectus detailed below has been drawn up in accordance with Directive 2003/71/EC or national law transposing the Directive and was approved by the FSA on 27 July 2010.

Name of Issuer: HSBC BANK PLC
Registered Office/Seat: England
Type of Securities: Programme for the Issuance of Notes and Warrants
Guarantor (if any): N/A
Annexes: V, XI, XII

We have authorised, in accordance with Article 8 of Directive 2003/71/EC or national law transposing Directive 2003/71/EC, the omission of the information on the following grounds: **No omission**

Attachments:

1. Base Prospectus dated 27 July 2010
2. Translation of the Summary in Dutch, French, German, Italian and Spanish

Financial Services Authority
UK Listing Authority
Document approved

Date: 28 July 2010

Signed: 1. *Dr. Bales*