



### **AWD switches to segment „General Standard“ at stock exchange**

As of July 15th 2009 AWD Group switches from segment “Prime Standard“ to “General standard” at the German stock exchange “Deutsche Börse”. The Designated Sponsoring mandate with HSBC was determined by the end of June as well. Against this background a decrease of the daily trading volume of AWD shares is possible. A diminished trading volume may cause increased volatility in the AWD share price.