

LIST OF ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

BENELUX	Union of Belgium, the Netherlands, Luxembourg
BIP	Banque Internationale de Placement
BIS	Bank for International Settlements
BNP	Banque Nationale de Paris
EC	European Community
ECU	European Currency Unit
EFTA	European Free Trade Association
EMS	European Monetary System
EMU	European Monetary Union
FTA	Free Trade Agreement, Canada-U.S.
GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GNP	Gross National Product
LDC	Less Developed Country
M & A	Mergers and acquisitions
N/A	Not Available
OSFI	Office of Superintendent of Financial Institutions
ROA	Return on assets
ROE	Return on equity
UCITS	Undertakings for Collective Investments in Transferable Securities
VAT	Value-added tax