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Media Release:

Taiwan Ratings Corp. Launches A New Series Of Articles On Credit Ratings And Their Importance In Modern Financial Systems

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To celebrate its upcoming 20th anniversary in 2017, Taiwan Ratings Corp. is proud to announce the launch of a weekly series of educational articles to run throughout the next year. These will cover the story of credit ratings, how they are calculated and their important role in Taiwan's and global financial systems. Credit ratings have grown to play a significant role representing independent credit analysis not only at the individual investor level, but also and more importantly at a corporate and government level. They support entities in gaining access to capital markets while at the same time offering investors a more advanced analytical tool to evaluate the risk tied to a particular investment or debt.

Since its incorporation almost 20 years ago, Taiwan Ratings has helped build the local credit rating industry by adapting globally recognized standards of credit analysis to the local financial system and setting a high standard of analysis that benefits all participants in Taiwan's financial market. And yet for many entering the world of finance, whether on the borrower or lender side, the concept of credit ratings remains somewhat mysterious.

In the countdown to its anniversary in May 2017, Taiwan Ratings will publish a series of condensed, highly informative articles covering all aspects of the credit rating industry. I believe this will form a humble yet comprehensive introduction to the role of credit ratings in advanced financial systems, as well as remove many of the misperceptions surrounding credit ratings that have developed as a result of more recent volatility in global economies and financial markets.

I hope that you enjoy following this weekly series, which I am confident, will answer any lingering questions you might have regarding credit ratings, their origin, methodology, use, and limitations. Watch this space and collect this informative series to develop a more informed understanding of what credit ratings are all about.

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