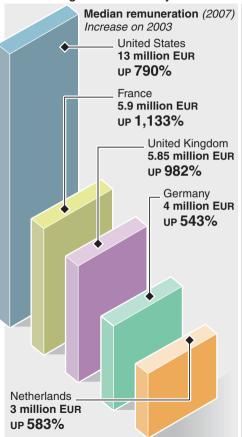
Executive compensation

Pressure is building in the European Union to discourage excessive payments to top business executives. France is pushing for an EU-wide directive to curb bonuses to company bosses, while the Dutch have drafted legislation to heavily tax American-style executive windfalls



Select pay packets (2007)



Wendelin Wiedeking Porsche. Germany 72.6m FUR



John Thain Merrill Lynch, United States 54.1m EUR



Bob Diamond Barclays, UK 45.7m FUR



Carlos Ghosn Renault/Nissan. France 29.6m FUR*



Arun Sarin Vodafone. IJK 11.37m EUR



David Drumm Anglo Irish Bank, Ireland 3.27m EUR

Pay figures combine salary, bonus, stock options and awards Sources: Manager Magazin, Hay Group Pictures: Associated Press, Getty Images

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