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Pricing Guidelines for Clearing Services of Exchange Traded Derivatives (ETD) offered by Erste Group Bank AG (EGB)

The purpose of this pricing guideline is to disclose the fees and commissions arising from the provision of clearing services by Erste Group Bank AG ("EGB") for derivatives trades cleared for clients at a central counterparty ("CCP" or "clearing house") under the regime of EMIR¹ and MiFIR².

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The terms and conditions of fees and commission chargeable as well as the process of handling orders of derivatives will be agreed with each client in a separate document and the terms of payment and collection of such fees are set out in die client agreement between the client and EGB.

Additional article 39(7) of EMIR and the final indirect clearing RTS³ also requires that CCPs and their clearing members (CM) disclose details of the available segregation models (i.e. basic (net) omnibus segregated accounts ("BOSA/ NOSA") or gross omnibus segregated accounts ("GOSA")) for indirect clearing of ETD and the costs involved with each segregation model. The possible costs implications of different models are addressed in this document and information on other aspects is available via the following link (under the heading "Public Regulatory Disclosures"), which will be available on January 3rd 2018:

http://www.erstegroup.com/mifid

As described below, EGB 's pricing structure for the clearing of exchange-traded derivatives and a client's ability to benefit from discounts and rebates are determined on the basis of a number of factors, including relevant trading venue (stock exchange) and clearing house resp. central

¹ Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 on OTC derivatives, central counterparties and trade repositories.

² Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 on markets in financial instruments and amending Regulation (EU) No 648/2012.

³ Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No. 2017/2154 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 with regard to regulatory technical standards on indirect clearing arrangements, and Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No. 2017/2155 amending Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 149/2013 with regard to regulatory technical standards on indirect clearing arrangements.



counterparty (CCP), process of execution and clearing of ETD's, minimum revenue thresholds, and a client's broader relationship with EGB.

Fundamental Pricing Considerations

EGB's charges set out below are indicative of the highest charge applied to the stand alone provision of clearing services before applying any discount or reduction. The charges are in addition to any fees or charges applied by each relevant CCP or third party for the provision of clearing services, subject to the discussion on available discounts or reductions below. Each CCP will provide details on its website of the charges for each account type and the provision of its clearing services.

EGB's charges for the provision of clearing services to a specific client are calculated based on a number of variable factors. A client may receive a discount or rebates from the maximum charges depending on these factors and their application to that client, which may include consideration of a client's credit rating, overall revenue opportunity, capital requirements for banks, or the structure and complexity of clearing service requirements for that CCP or general speaking a client's wider relationship within the EGB Group.

For example, without limitation, some of the following factors may be relevant when determining the discounts available from the maximum charges for listed derivatives (ETD):

Criteria	Decreases Fees Increases Fees					
Financial Instrument Type	Listed Derivatives ⁴ on main	Listed Derivatives ⁵ on emergin				
	markets	markets				
Trading Volumes	High	Low				
Contract Settlement	Cash settlement	Physical delivery				
Traded Exchanges &	Mature or STP ⁶ markets	Bespoke or non STP markets				
Products						
Execution Method	DMA ⁷	Execution by phone or fax				
Execution Wallet	Execution done with EGB	Execution done by a 3rd party				
Portfolio Risk Attributes	Diversified portfolios	Option heavy portfolios (risk				
	Low duration fixed income	management model / loss				
	portfolios; diversified	consumption); directional and				
	portfolio	concentrated portfolio				

⁴ This is generally the case but there may be exceptions

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⁶ STP ... straight through processing

⁷ DMA ... Direct market access





Customer	Onboarding	Low co	omplexity,	single	High	compl	exity,	mι	ultiple
Complexity		account s	accounts or bespoke legal						
					terms				
Client Credit Ra	ting ⁸	Moody's,	S&P, Fitcl	n Aaa,	Moody's, S&P, Fitch				
		ΑΑΑ, ΑΑΑ			Lower than BBB+				
Number of Acco	ounts	Low			High				
Client Reporting]	Standard			Custon	nised			

For any particular CCP service, clients may choose between a Basic Omnibus (Segregated) Indirect Client Account (BOSA / NOSA) or a Gross Omnibus (Segregated) Indirect Client Account (GOSA) for indirect clearing services offered by EGB. Due to the increased operational complexity and funding implications generally required to support GOSA accounts, it is likely that the range of available discounts will be higher for NOSA accounts than for GOSA accounts.

General Pricing Structure

EGB's maximum pricing for clearing services of exchange traded derivatives (ETD) is comprised of the following components:

1. Transaction Clearing Fee

The Transaction Clearing Fee will be charged on a per lot basis; for pricing examples see below. The Transaction Clearing Fee is in addition to any external exchange, CCP or other third party fees associated with the execution or clearing of the transaction, and is applicable to both BOSA / NOSA- and GOSA- accounts.

2. Account Opening and Maintenance Fee

Due to the additional operational complexity required to maintain a Gross Omnibus (Segregated) Indirect Client Account (GOSA), EGB will apply a EUR 5.000 fee for a new account and a EUR 2.000 monthly fee per account, to cover the additional operational efforts required to maintain each account on CCP level.

The structure of GOSA- accounts may not be the same across all CCPs, which may result in variable Account Maintenance Fees for the provision of these services.

The Account Maintenance Fee is in addition to any applicable CCP fees or charges which the CCP requires for the set up or maintenance of a client account. CCP fees or charges may apply to BOSA/NOSA- accounts and GOSA- accounts and such charges will be passed on to a client.

⁸ Client Credit Rating is measured by an internal model which is not disclosed to clients but is similar to Moody's, Standard & Poor's and Fitch credit agency scores.





3. Collateral Charge

A Collateral Charge will be applied to your collateral held by EGB depending on the type of collateral: EGB fees for cash- collateral (EUR 100,- per month for account maintenance and absolut 50 basis points (bps) below 1 week Euribor in EUR as an interest rate charge; other currencies only on demand) or fees for securities as collateral (25 bps of securities collateral value per year).

4. Liquidity Charge

EGB may be required to set aside its own money and resources to cover a shortfall in circumstances where there is insufficient client-funded collateral available at the time the CCP requires a margin requirement to be met. EGB will apply an OIS⁹ plus 200 basis point (bps) Liquidity Charge to any margin in a G5 currency that EGB is required to fund on a client's behalf. Any Liquidity Charge applicable to margin in a non-G5 currency which EGB is required to fund on a client's behalf will be notified to the client as applicable.

5. Minimum Revenue Threshold

EGB will require clients to maintain minimum activity levels to meet the ongoing costs of providing clearing services. A Minimum Revenue Threshold of EUR 200.000,- per annum will be applied which is calculated following the deduction of CCP or other third party fees.

6. Negative Interest Rate Charges

CCPs may apply negative interest rates to cash balances held by a clearing member (CM) at such CCP. EGB reserves the right to pass on such negative interest rates in the form of interest or charges as applicable to the clearing services offered to clients.

Amendment

Pease note that other additional services may incur extra fees and commissions. EGB reserves the right to amend pricing and to pass on costs/charges to reflect any financial impact of own capital, balance sheet, funding or derivative leverage requirements associated with providing clearing services. In addition, EGB reserves the right to pass on charges relating to default fund contributions and/or non-default loss allocations as required by CCPs from time to time.

Please note that pricing and charges are indicative and subject to change or amendment from time to time.

Delegated Reporting for ETD: Additional fees may be charged for the provision of a delegated EMIR trade reporting service for exchange-traded derivatives.

⁹ OIS ... Overnight indexed swap



Indicative Pricing Examples

We have set out below a hypothetical pricing example for Exchange Traded Derivatives (ETD), subject to the effect of the variables described in this document.

Exchange / Clearing House: Eurex Equity Index Product: Euro Stoxx 50 Index Futures (FESX) Annual volumes: 50,000 contracts Clearing and execution commission per lot: €4.00 + external exchange / clearing house fees Annual clearing cost: €200,000 + external exchange / clearing house fees

Exchange / Clearing House: Eurex Fixed Income Product: Euro-Bund Futures (FGBL) Annual volumes: 50,000 contracts Clearing and execution commission per lot: €4.00 + external xchange / clearing house fees Annual clearing cost: €200,000 + external exchange / clearing house fees

Costs for individual vs omnibus accounts

General speaking article 39(5) and 39(7) of EMIR require a clearing member to offer its clients, at least, the choice between omnibus client segregation and individual client segregation for direct clients and according to article 4 of Indirect RTS the choice between an Basic Omnibus (Segregated) Indirect Client Account (BOSA / NOSA) or Gross Omnibus (Segregated) Indirect Client Account (GOSA) for indirect clients and inform them of the costs and level of protection associated with each option.

Different CCP structures are likely to result in varying levels of costs and risks associated with the default of a clearing member or another client. Please refer to the risk disclosure documentation accessible at the same location as this document that sets out a high level overview of the different levels of protection associated with various account models and provides links to the CCPs' risk disclosures.

The specific costs of an individual or omnibus account for a particular client may depend on the number of accounts maintained for the relevant client, the type of assets held in such accounts, the ongoing operational costs associated with maintaining that account, and any margin pre-funding requirements for those accounts.

We envisage the operational costs, and the costs associated with pre-funding margin (whether involving client or EGB) to be greater for individual accounts. Any client may at any time obtain the specific costs for such accounts by contacting their exchange-traded derivatives account representative.



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