

# **Best Execution Policy**

# Information for Eligible Counterparties, Professional clients and Retail clients

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# 1.0 Information for clients

# 1.1 Introduction

The purpose of this document is to summarise the systems and controls implemented by Cantor Fitzgerald Europe ("CFE" / "the Firm") in order to comply with the Best Execution requirements applicable to it. These requirements include those set out in the second Markets in Financial Instruments Directive 2014/65/EU ("MiFID II") and the associated rules and guidance established by the European Securities and Markets Authority and the Financial Conduct Authority.

# 1.2 Achieving Best Execution in relation to client orders

When executing transactions in financial instruments CFE will take all sufficient steps to obtain the best possible result for you on a consistent basis taking into account price, costs, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, size, nature and/or any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order (see section 1.6 'The execution factors').

# 1.3 Application of the Best Execution obligation

The obligation to take all sufficient steps to obtain the best possible result for clients applies where a firm owes a client contractual or agency obligations. The Best Execution obligation applies to all business the Firm executes for Retail clients and will apply for Professional clients where the client places legitimate reliance on the Firm to provide best execution. The considerations to take into account when determining whether a client is placing legitimate reliance on the Firm are set out in section 1.5 ('When will Best Execution not apply?').

Although it is assumed that Professional clients do not rely on CFE to provide Best Execution we accept that there are certain circumstances where they may place such reliance upon us. Indications that Professional clients may be legitimately relying on us to provide Best Execution include:

- Where we execute their order by dealing as riskless principal or on a matched principal basis;
- Where we deal on their behalf on an agency basis (our Terms of Business state that we will deal with our clients as principal except in relation to transactions executed on any Hong Kong exchange or otherwise in listed Hong Kong equities (or unless otherwise agreed));
- Where we are given discretion by them in relation to the execution of your order;
- Where their order is worked by the Firm's trading desk; and
- Other circumstances such as where they cannot shop around for alternative prices (e.g. due to the complexity of the financial instrument or nature of the transaction).

Also see section 1.5 – "When will best ex not apply?"

## 1.4 Financial instruments in scope for the Best Execution obligation

The asset classes in which CFE executes client transactions (or passes orders for execution to a third party) and that are within scope of the Best Execution requirement include the following:

- Cash Equities and equity like instruments, including Exchange Traded Funds;
- Depositary Receipts including American Depositary Receipts;
- Debt including government and corporate bonds;
- Equity Derivatives;
- Contracts for Differences;
- FX Derivatives.

Please note that spot FX transactions are not within the scope of MIFID II unless they are linked to a specific transaction which is itself within scope, in which case they may be taken into consideration as part of the overall costs of the transaction.

# 1.5 When will Best Execution not apply?

The Best Execution obligations will not apply in the following circumstances:

### Orders carried out with or for Eligible Counterparties ("ECP").

If you are an eligible counterparty, you do not benefit from the Best Execution provisions of MiFID II which only apply to Professional and Retail clients.

### Dealing on a Request for a Quote ("RFQ") basis

Dealing on an RFQ basis occurs if you request a quote from the Firm and then choose to execute the trade as per the parameters of the given quote.

### **Professional clients**

If you are a Professional client we will not provide you with Best Execution on your order unless it is reasonable for us to assume that due to your knowledge and experience you are relying on us to protect your best interests. In determining whether you are placing legitimate reliance on us to provide Best Execution we will take the following matters into consideration:

- Which party initiated the transaction where you initiate a transaction with us, including following receipt of research and marketing material from us, we will consider it less likely that you will be placing reliance upon us;
- Market practice and an existence of a convention to 'shop around' where it is standard market practice for clients to contact various market participants in order to identify the most favourable quote RFQ) markets) we will consider it less likely that you will be placing reliance upon us;
- The relative levels of price transparency within a market in markets where pricing is transparent and it is reasonable to believe that you have access to this information we will consider it less likely that you will be placing reliance upon us;
- The information provided by the firm and any agreement reached absent any contractual terms agreed between us we will provide execution services in accordance with this document.

### If you are a Retail client, you will always be due Best Execution on your orders.

#### Financial instruments out of scope for MIFID II

The financial instruments not within the scope of MIFID II traded by the Firm include loans, claims and spot FX (but note the comment at 1.4 above, 'Financial Instruments in scope for the Best Execution Obligation').

#### Name give-up

This occurs when we act as an arranger in a trade between you and one or more other counterparties. We may identify and/or introduce you to other counterparties who have indicated their willingness to trade in accordance with the trade parameters that you have set. We may also assist you in the negotiation of the trade parameters. Once the trade price, volume and other terms have been agreed between you and the other counterparty, we step away from the transaction and you will contact the other counterparty directly. (For the avoidance of doubt, CFE will not be named on the contract note.) The trade is cleared and settled directly through the relevant exchange and/ or appropriate market mechanism. As a name-passing broker in these circumstances CFE does not 'execute' transactions, or receive and transmit orders for execution, and therefore Best Execution is not applicable to these arrangements.

## 1.6 The execution factors

As part of taking all sufficient steps to obtain the best possible result for you when executing your order, we will take into account the following factors:

- **Price** this is the price at which a transaction in a financial instrument is executed;
- Size the size of the order or transaction to be executed, which may impact the execution price we obtain for you depending on the liquidity of the financial instrument;

- **Speed** the length of time it takes to execute your order or transaction;
- Costs including internal and external costs such as venue costs and the Firm's own commission;
- Likelihood of execution and settlement the probability that your order or transaction can be completed;
- Nature the type of order you have placed eg limit order, at best etc; and
- Other any other considerations relevant to the execution of your order, for example particular characteristics of your order or transaction.

Although we are obliged to deliver the best possible result when executing client orders in all MiFID financial instruments (see 1.4 'Financial instruments in scope for the Best Execution obligation'), a uniform procedure for Best Execution should not and cannot be applied owing to differences in market structures and the different characteristics of each financial instrument.

The application of any Best Execution obligations will therefore take into account the different circumstances surrounding the execution of your orders for particular types of financial instruments (for example an Over The Counter ('OTC') execution as opposed to an execution on a Trading Venue).

The relative importance of the order execution factors listed in this section is set out in Annex 4 for each class of financial instrument.

## 1.7 Selection of execution factors in the execution of a client order

When executing your order, we take into account the following criteria to determine the relative importance of the execution factors:

- Your client categorisation (Professional or Retail) for Professional clients price is likely to be the primary execution factor whereas for Retail clients the price and the depth of liquidity available at that price (see section 1.8 'Client categorisation and Best Execution') are likely to be most important;
- Your specific instructions you may give a specific instruction that will have an impact on how we execute your order, for example you may instruct that an execution factor other than price (such as the likelihood of execution or the speed of delivery) should have priority;
- Characteristics of your order there are various characteristics of your order, such as whether it is a purchase or sale, its size, the type of order (limit, duration, strategy etc.) and whether it is to be executed on exchange or OTC, that may impact how we decide to execute it. For large in size orders the likelihood of execution is likely to be more important than price;

- Characteristics of the financial instrument that are the subject of your order the relative importance of the execution factors may vary in relation to different classes of financial instruments. For example, the liquidity of the financial instruments on the relevant Execution Venues will impact the choice of execution factors for illiquid financial instruments the likelihood of execution is likely to be more important than price to the client. Where the main purpose of the your order or transaction is volume discovery rather than price, size is likely to be the preferred execution factor;
- OTC Orders When executing OTC orders (including those in bespoke products) we will gather relevant market data (where available) to check whether the OTC price shown to you is fair and ensure we have complied with our Best Execution obligations.
- Characteristics of the Execution Venues to which your order can be directed in volatile markets or where there are unusual market conditions speed and the likelihood of execution may be more important than price. The execution factor selected may also be influenced by whether execution is on a Trading Venue, with a Systematic Internaliser, or with a market maker or other liquidity provider; and
- Any other circumstances relevant to the execution at the time for example your ability to settle trades in a particular market, brokerage rates, time, availability of prices (last traded price may not be current price), etc.

## 1.8 Client categorisation and Best Execution

There is an important distinction between Best Execution for Retail and for Professional clients (please see Annex 2 for further information on FCA client categorisation):

- **Professional clients** if you are a Professional client price will normally merit a high relative importance in obtaining the best possible result for you. However, in some circumstances other execution factors may be more important in obtaining the best possible execution, e.g. likelihood of execution or settlement for orders in illiquid financial instruments;
- Retail clients If you are a Retail client, what constitutes the best possible result will be
  determined in terms of 'total consideration'. This represents the price of the financial
  instrument and all costs related to execution, including all expenses incurred by you which
  are directly related to the execution of the order, such as Execution Venue fees, clearing and
  settlement fees and any other fees paid to third parties involved in the execution of your
  order. The Firm's own remuneration for the transaction, internal commissions and costs will
  not be taken into account in the Best Execution consideration when we quote a price to you.

For Retail clients speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the order, market impact and any other implicit transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration.

• Eligible Counterparties – as previously stated, best execution obligations do not apply to eligible counterparties.

### 1.9 Trading and Execution Venues

The term "Trading Venue" refers to the one of the following:

- A Regulated Market ('RM');
- An Equivalent third-country market;
- A Multilateral Trading Facility ('MTF');
- An Organised Trading Facility ('OTF');
- An Equivalent third-country facility/platform (e.g. a Swap Execution Facility).

The term "Execution Venue" refers to one of the following:

- A Trading Venue;
- A Systematic Internaliser;
- A Market Maker;
- Any Other Liquidity Providers;
- A third-country firm performing a similar function.

A list of Trading and Execution Venues on which the Firm places significant reliance to meet its Best Execution obligations is set out in Annex 3.

### 1.10 Summary of the selection process for Execution Venues

When we select an Execution Venue we consider a number of matters including the following:

- Quality of execution offered by the venue quality is determined by past performance of the execution venue and the information on execution quality that will be published in accordance with RTS 27 and RTS 28 (see 3, 'Information to clients');
- Client instructions you may select a particular Execution Venue for the execution of your order or transaction (see below);
- Priority of execution factors factors such as price, speed and likelihood of execution may limit or determine the Execution Venue, e.g. some venues may have better prices or have more liquidity than other venues; and

 Product type – certain financial instruments may only be available on specific Execution Venues.

Annex 3 includes for each class of financial instrument the entities on which the Firm places significant reliance when executing client orders.

For certain financial instruments, such as cash equities, we may route your order to a DMA provider who will utilise a smart order router to determine which Execution Venue your order is routed to for execution. Where we use DMA we will select the most appropriate provider for your order and we will submit to them any relevant information about your order such as an instruction from you with the objective of obtaining Best Execution for you and/or meeting your specific instruction.

With regard to the execution of orders, a single Execution Venue for a particular financial instrument or product will only be used where it is possible to demonstrate that this will allow us to obtain Best Execution for our clients on a consistent basis. A single venue will only be selected if we reasonably expect that the Execution Venue selected will enable the Firm to obtain results for you which are at least as good as the results that you could reasonably expect from using alternative Execution Venues (assuming there are alternative venues available).

# 1.11 Specific client instructions

In respect of instructions from you:

- We will execute your orders in line with any instructions received from you;
- Specific instructions from you covering one part or feature of an order do not release us from our Best Execution obligations in respect of any other parts or features of the order that are not covered by your instructions;
- Employees are forbidden from either explicitly or implicitly inducing you to instruct us to execute an order in a particular way where such an action would prejudice our compliance with the Best Execution obligation; and
- You may be invited to choose between two or more Trading Venues, but only if those venues are compatible with our Best Execution Policy. When inviting you to choose an Execution Venue, we will provide you with relevant information to assist you in making your decision.

# 1.12 Prior consent to Best Execution Policy, executing transactions outside a Trading Venue and non-publication of limit orders

We are required by MIFID II to obtain your prior consent to:

This summary of our Best Execution Policy;

- The execution of transactions outside a Trading Venue (see 1.9 'Trading and Execution Venues');
- The non-publication of unfilled limit orders in respect of shares admitted to trading on a Regulated Market or traded on a Trading Venue which are not immediately executed under prevailing market conditions (unless an exemption applies such as if your order is large in size).

If you are a Professional client you will be deemed to have given your consent to each of the above if you place an order with us, absent an instruction in writing from you to the contrary.

Please note that we will only execute your orders outside a Trading Venue if we believe that it is in your best interests to do so; this may however expose you to additional risks such as:

- The financial instrument purchased may be difficult to realise or may be realised at a worse price than if it were executed on a Trading Venue;
- Your investment may be subject to greater price volatility; and
- There may be greater counterparty risk either with the Firm or another market participant.

Likewise, we will only decide not to publish any unfilled portion of a limit order if we believe that it is in your best interests to do so, although if we decide not to make it public this may result in a delay to the execution of your order.

If you are a Retail client, the Firm will only execute your orders outside a Trading Venue or decide not to publish the unfilled portion of a limit order if we have received an instruction from you to do so. For record keeping purposes kindly provide your instruction in writing by returning the Client Acknowledgement and Consent Form to us that can be found in Annex 5 of this document.

# 1.13 Receipt and transmission of orders

We will take all sufficient steps to ensure that we act in your best interests when we transmit your order to another entity for execution.

We will act honestly, fairly and professionally in accordance with your best interests when receiving and passing your orders for execution by a third party.

When transmitting orders to a third party for execution we will (as part of taking 'all sufficient steps') take into account the execution factors detailed in section 1.6 of this document. The relevant importance of these factors shall be determined for Professional and Retail clients in accordance with section 1.8 ('Client categorisation and Best Execution').

Annex 3 includes for each class of financial instrument the entities to which we pass orders for execution and upon which we place significant reliance. This information is updated from time to time to reflect significant changes to our selection of execution venues and brokers.

With regard to the transmission of orders, a single Execution Venue for a particular financial instrument or product will only be used where it is possible to demonstrate that this will allow us to obtain Best Execution for our clients on a consistent basis. A single venue will only be selected if we reasonably expect that the Execution Venue selected will enable the Firm to obtain results for you, which are at least as good as the results that you could reasonably expect from transmitting your orders to alternative Execution Venues (assuming there are alternative venues available).

# 1.14 Transmitted orders: Summary of venue selection process

Where we transmit your order to a third party for execution we will base our selection of the third party on the considerations set out in section 1.10 ('Summary of selection process for Execution Venues') and Annex 3.

## 1.15 Cost and charges

With regard to costs and charges:

- When assessing and comparing the results for you that would be achieved by executing your order on an Execution Venue (see Annex 3) our own commissions and the costs for executing the order on each of the Execution Venues will be taken into account;
- We will not structure or charge commissions in such a way as to discriminate unfairly between Execution Venues. For example, the Firm should not charge a different commission or spread to you for execution on different Execution Venues where the difference does not reflect the difference in the costs incurred by us for executing on such an Execution Venue;
- Costs of execution included in the Firm's own commission or fees charged to you (for the provision of an investment service) will not be taken into account when determining which Execution Venues are to be included in the Firm's execution policy; and
- We maintain rate cards setting out our charges and these will be made available to you with our Terms of Business. In the event of a subsequent change in rates, we will notify you by email or as appropriate on a case-by-case basis.

# 1.16 Third party payments and minor non-monetary benefits

The FCA's Rules prohibit, in respect of business carried out for a client, the payment or receipt of inducements (e.g. fees, commissions, non-monetary benefits, etc.) to third parties unless certain conditions are met (i.e. best interest of client, disclosure to client and client enhancement). In the context of Best Execution this means that:

 Trading and Execution Venues will be selected by us on the basis of your best interests rather than because they provide other services and/or payments to the Firm;

- We will not receive any payment, remuneration, commission or non-monetary benefit (other than as set out in our Conflicts of Interest Policy) from third parties including those entities to which we direct client orders for execution (prohibition on payment for order flow);
- Where we charge more than one participant in a transaction, we will inform you of the value of any monetary or non-monetary benefits received by the Firm in accordance with our regulatory obligations; and
- All hospitality provided to or received from investment firms involved in providing Best Execution to our clients will be a 'minor non-monetary benefit' as that term is described in the Conflict of Interest Management Policy.

# 2 Information to clients

# 2.1 Top five Execution Venues and quarterly information

In accordance with reporting requirements under RTS 28 we will publish annually on our website the top five Execution Venues in terms of trading volumes for all executed client orders per class of financial instrument together with information on the quality of execution obtained.

In accordance with reporting requirements under RTS 27 we will also publish information on the quality of our execution on a quarterly basis where we execute certain equity and derivative trades in MIFID II financial instruments not subject to the trading obligation.

## 2.2 Information requests

If you make a reasonable and proportionate request for information about our:

- Best Execution policies and arrangements;
- Execution or transmission of specific orders for execution;
- Monitoring of Best Execution,

we will respond to you clearly and in writing within a reasonable time.

## 2.2 Updates to this document

In the event of a material change to our Best Execution arrangements or to the contents of this document we will make an updated version available to you. Updates of this document will be posted on our website at <u>http://www.cantor.com/a global platform/cantor fitzgerald europe</u>.

If you are a **Professional client** you will be deemed to have given your consent to receiving updates to our Best Execution Policy via our website if you place an order with us, absent an instruction in writing from you to the contrary.

If you are a **Retail client**, please complete the form at Annex 5 of this document and return it to us at your earliest convenience.

# 3 Monitoring and review

# 3.1 Monitoring of Best Execution

We will conduct periodic monitoring as to the effectiveness of our Best Execution arrangements, including those set out in this document, in order to identify and where necessary correct any deficiencies. Such monitoring will be completed on at least an annual basis, or otherwise when there is a material change to our execution arrangements that may impact our ability to obtain the best possible result for the execution of client orders on a consistent basis using the Execution Venues listed in Annex 3.

# 3.2 Reviews by Compliance

As part of our monitoring we will assess the list of execution venues noted in Annex 3 on a regular basis. Such monitoring will be undertaken with a view to ensuring that the ongoing use of these venues enables us to meet our obligation to take all sufficient steps to provide the best possible results for our clients (taking into account the execution factors listed in section 1.6 and 1.7 above as well as in Annex 4) when executing client orders. Our monitoring of execution venue performance will take account of relevant data available to us, and in particular will consider information on execution quality published by those venues.

# 4. Definitions

Term	Definition
Client	Any natural or legal person to whom an investment firm provides investment or ancillary services
DMA	Direct market access
Eligible counterparty	Investment firms, credit institutions, insurance companies, UCITS and their management companies, pension funds and their management companies, other financial institutions authorised or regulated under Union law or under the national law of a Member State, national governments and their corresponding offices including public bodies that deal with public debt at national level, central banks and supranational organisations
Execution factors	Account price, costs, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, size, nature or any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order
Execution of orders on behalf of clients	Acting to conclude agreements to buy or sell one or more financial instruments on behalf of clients and includes the conclusion of agreements to sell financial instruments issued by an investment firm or a credit institution at the moment of their issuance
Execution Venue	A Regulated Market, MTF, OTF, SI, Market Maker or other liquidity provider or an entity that performs a similar function in a third country to the functions performed by any of the foregoing
Investment firm	Any legal person whose regular occupation or business is the provision of one or more investment services to third parties and/or the performance of one or more investment activities on a professional basis
Limit orders	An order to buy or sell a financial instrument at its specified price limit or better and for a specified size
Liquid market	Market for a financial instrument or a class of financial instruments, where there are ready and willing buyers and sellers on a continuous basis, assessed in accordance with the following criteria, taking into consideration the specific market structures of the particular financial instrument or of the particular class of financial instruments: a. the average frequency and size of transactions over a range of
	<ul> <li>market conditions, having regard to the nature and life cycle of products within the class of financial instrument;</li> <li>b. the number and type of market participants, including the ratio of market participants to traded instruments in a particular product;</li> <li>c. the average size of spreads, where available</li> </ul>
Market maker	A person who holds himself out on the financial markets on a continuous basis as being willing to deal on own account by buying and selling financial instruments against that person's proprietary capital at prices defined by that person

Term	Definition
Multilateral Trading Facility (MTF)	A multilateral system, operated by an investment firm or a market operator, which brings together multiple third-party buying and selling interests in financial instruments – in the system and in accordance with non-discretionary rules – in a way that results in a contract
Organised Trading Facility (OTF)	A multilateral system which is not a regulated market or an MTF and in which multiple third-party buying and selling interests in bonds, structured finance products, emission allowances or derivatives are able to interact in the system in a way that results in a contract
Professional client	A Professional client is a client who possesses the experience, knowledge and expertise to make its own investment decisions and properly assess the risks that it incur, and meets criteria laid out in Annex 2.
Regulated market	A multilateral system operated and/or managed by a market operator, which brings together or facilitates the bringing together of multiple third-party buying and selling interests in financial instruments – in the system and in accordance with its non- discretionary rules – in a way that results in a contract, in respect of the financial instruments admitted to trading under its rules and/or systems, and which is authorised and functions regularly
Retail client	A client who is not a professional client
RTS	A Regulatory technical standard, a set of detailed requirements established under European Union law
Systematic internaliser	An investment firm which on an organised, frequent, systematic and substantial basis deals on its own account when executing client orders outside a regulated market, an MTF or an OTF, without itself operating a multilateral system. The frequent and systematic basis shall be measured by the number of OTC trades in the financial instrument carried out by the investment firm on own account when executing client orders. The substantial basis shall be measured either by the proportion of OTC trading carried out by the investment firm in a specific financial instrument in relation to its total trading in that instrument, or by the proportion of the OTC trading carried out by the investment firm in a specific financial instrument in relation to the total trading in the EU in that instrument
Trading venue	A regulated market, an MTF or an OTF

# **Annex 1: Financial instruments covered by MIFIDII**

Under MiFID II, transactions executing client orders in specific financial instruments are within the scope of this document. These instruments are listed below –

- Transferable securities such as shares and bonds;
- Money-market instruments;
- Units in collective investment undertakings;
- Options, futures, swaps, forward rate agreements and any other derivative contracts relating to securities, currencies, interest rates or yields, emission allowances or other derivative instruments, financial indices or financial measures which may be settled physically or in cash;
- Options, futures, swaps, forwards and any other derivative contracts relating to commodities that
  must be settled in cash or may be settled in cash at the option of one of the parties other than by
  reason of default or other termination event;
- Options, futures, swaps, and any other derivative contract relating to commodities that can be
  physically settled provided that they are traded on a regulated market, an MTF, or an OTF, except
  for wholesale energy products traded on an OTF that must be physically settled;
- Options, futures, swaps, forwards and any other derivative contracts relating to commodities, that can be physically settled not otherwise mentioned in the above bullet point and not being for commercial purposes, which have the characteristics of other derivative financial instruments;
- Derivative instruments for the transfer of credit risk;
- Financial contracts for differences;
- Options, futures, swaps, forward rate agreements and any other derivative contracts relating to climatic variables, freight rates or inflation rates or other official economic statistics that must be settled in cash or may be settled in cash at the option of one of the parties other than by reason of default or other termination event, as well as any other derivative contracts relating to assets, rights, obligations, indices and measures not otherwise mentioned in this Section, which have the characteristics of other derivative financial instruments, having regard to whether, inter alia, they are traded on a regulated market, an OTF or an MTF;
- Emission allowances consisting of any units recognised for compliance with the requirements of Directive 2003/87/EC (Emissions Trading Scheme).

# **Annex 2: FCA Client Classification**

### **Retail clients**

Retail Clients are clients who do not fall under the categorisations of a Professional Client or an Eligible Counterparty. The Firm has a small number of Retail clients, including natural persons associated with the Firm's corporate clients, corporate clients not meeting the Professional client size criteria, and several local authorities.

#### **Professional Clients**

Professional Clients are considered to possess the experience, knowledge and expertise to make their own investment decisions and assess the risks inherent in their decisions. The below list includes types of Professional Clients but is not restricted to:

- Entities which are required to be authorised or regulated to operate in the financial markets;
- Credit institutions;
- Investment firms;
- Other authorised or regulated financial institutions;
- Insurance companies;
- Collective investment schemes and their management companies;
- Pension funds and their management companies;
- Commodity and commodity derivative dealers;
- Locals authorities;
- Other institutional investors.

In relation to MiFID II business, large undertakings meeting two of the following size requirements on a company basis:

- Balance sheet total (gross before deduction of liabilities €20m or more,
- Net turnover of €40m or more,
- Own funds (broadly capital and reserves) of €2m or more.

There are lower size criteria for non-MiFID II business, but these criteria are not relevant since the execution or passing of client orders is MIFID II business.

#### **Eligible Counterparties**

Each of the following is an Eligible Counterparty (including an entity that is not from an EEA state that is equivalent to any of the following):

- an investment firm;
- a credit institution;
- an insurance company;
- a collective investment scheme authorised under the UCITS Directive or its management company;
- a pension fund or its management company;
- another financial institution authorised or regulated under European Union legislation or the national law of an EEA State;
- an undertaking exempted from the application of MiFID under either Article 2(1)(k) (certain own account dealers in commodities or commodity derivatives) or Article 2(1)(l) (locals) of that directive;
- a national government or its corresponding office, including a public body that deals with the public debt;
- a central bank;
- a supranational organisation.

# **Annex 3 – Financial Instruments and Execution Venues**

### 1. Equity

### a. Equity Products – London

Asset Class	Execution Venue	Explanation of Venue Selection
Cash Equities	Aquis Exchange	We trade on both a matched principal and a
	Athens Stock Exchange	principal basis.
Depositary Receipts (e.g.	Australian Stock Exchange	
American)	Bats trading	We achieve the best possible result for our clients
	Bolsa de Madrid	through the use of a number of Direct Market
Warrants	Borsa Istanbul	Access ("DMA") providers. The DMA provider is
	Borsa Italiana	selected according to criteria including the
Exchange Traded Funds (including	Budapest Stock exchange	following:
Exchange Traded Contracts)	Deutsche Borse (Eurex and Xetra)	
	Equiduct Trading (Borse Berlin)	Monitoring of performance of the DMA
Exchange Traded Notes	Euronext (Paris, Brussels, Amsterdam and Lisbon)	provider's execution of the client order
	Hong Kong Stock Exchange	against the appropriate benchmark such as
Closed Ended Funds (Investment	Irish Stock Exchange	the Volume Weighted Average Price;
Trusts)	Johannesberg Stock Exchange	• The jurisdiction in which the shares or other
	London Stock Exchange	financial instruments are listed or the most
Open Ended Funds (OEICs, ICVC)	NYSE Arca	liquid market for the financial instruments;
	NYSE	and
Open Ended Funds (Unit Trusts)	Nasdaq	
	Nasdaq OMX (Stockholm, Helsinki, Copenhagen)	• The suitability of the algorithm used by the
	Oslo Bors	DMA provider taking into account the nature
	Canadian Stock Exchange	of the order.
	Prague Stock Exchange	
	Swiss Stock Exchange	We are members of the London Stock Exchange
	Tel Aviv Stock Exchange	and of Euronext and therefore have direct access

Asset Class	Execution Venue	Explanation of Venue Selection
	Tokyo Stock Exchange	to these markets. We also access these, as well as
	Wiener Borse (Vienna)	the other markets listed, via DMA and ALGO.
	Multilateral Trading Facilities	
	Burgundy	
	SmartPool (Euronext)	
	Sigma X MTF (Goldman Sachs)	
	Turquoise	
	External Brokers-Dealers	
	Bank of America Merrill Lynch	
	Morgan Stanley	
	Goldman Sachs	
	Knight Capital Group Match Europe	
	BGC Brokers	
	Citigroup Global Markets Limited	
	Credit Suisse Securities Europe	
	ITG Posit	
	Instinct X (Bank of America Merrill Lynch)	
	Instinet (Nomura)	
	JPM-X (JP Morgan)	
	Liquidnet	
	MS Pool (Morgan Stanley)	
	UBS	
	Group Entity Broker-Dealers	
	Cantor Fitzgerald Canada Corp	
	Cantor Fitzgerald & Co.	
	Cantor Fitzgerald (Hong Kong) Capital Markets	

Asset Class	Execution Venue	Explanation of Venue Selection
Cash Equities	Investment Exchanges	Choice of venues depends on various factors
	Hong Kong Stock Exchange	including:
Exchange Traded Funds (including		<ul> <li>Market in which the product is listed</li> </ul>
Exchange Traded Contracts)	External Brokers-Dealers	Client's specific order instructions e.g.
	Hong Kong Market	designated execution venue, crossing via
	Instinet Pacific Ltd	specific brokers
	Citi Global Markets	<ul> <li>Price and liquidity the relevant venues can provide</li> </ul>
	Societe Generale	<ul> <li>Client order size vs our trading limit in the</li> </ul>
	Credit Suisse International	relevant markets
		• Service standard (such as willingness to
	Australian Market	respond to our questions) and commission
	Deutsche Bank	rates of the relevant external brokers
	Citi Global Markets	<ul> <li>Credit and settlement risks</li> </ul>
	Credit Suisse International	Commercial positioning and ranking of the
	Goldman Sachs International	external brokers
	Societe Generale	<ul> <li>Mechanism of the venue for achieving best execution</li> </ul>
	Morgan Stanley & Co International	execution
	Instinet Pacific	We can access the Hong Kong Stock Exchange
	Macquarie Bank	directly as CFHK is a member.
	Singapore Market	All markets on the list can be accessed by the use
	Deutsche Bank	of the named broker-dealers' DMA, ALGO or
	Citi Global Markets	CARE.
	Morgan Stanley & Co International	
	Goldman Sachs International	
	Credit Suisse International	

b. Equity Products – Hong Kong via Cantor Fitzgerald (Hong Kong) Capital Markets Limited ("CFHK")

Asset Class	Execution Venue	Explanation of Venue Selection
	Indonesia Market	
	Macquarie Bank Limited	
	Citi Global Markets	
	Instinet Pacific	
	Morgan Stanley & Co International	
	Credit Suisse International	
	Japan Market	
	Goldman Sachs International	
	Societe Generale	
	Citi Global Markets	
	Morgan Stanley & Co International	
	Instinet Pacific	
	Credit Suisse International	
	CLSA Singapore	
	Korea Market	
	Mirae Asset Daewoo Co	
	Korea Investment Securities	
	Malaysia Market	
	Macquarie Bank Limited	
	Citi Global Markets	
	RHB Investment Bank Berhad	
	Credit Suisse International	
	New Zealand	
	Macquarie Bank Limited	
	Instinet Pacific	

Asset Class	Execution Venue	Explanation of Venue Selection
	Societe Generale	
	Philippines Market	
	Macquarie Bank Limited	
	Citi Global Markets	
	Morgan Stanley & Co International	
	Credit Suisse International	
	Goldman Sachs International	
	Thailand Market	
	Macquarie Bank Limited	
	Citi Global Markets	
	Morgan Stanley & Co International	
	Goldman Sachs International	
	Credit Suisse International	
	Taiwan Market	
	Macquarie Bank Limited	
	China Market (under HK-China Stock Connect)	
	CICC	
	Group Entity Broker-Dealers	
	Cantor Fitzgerald Europe	
	Cantor Fitzgerald & Co	
	Cantor Fitzgerald (Hong Kong) Capital Markets	

Asset Class	Execution Venue	Explanation of Venue Selection
Cash Equities	Investment Exchanges	Where the firm has relevant exchange
	Aquis Exchange	memberships, the equity desks will normally
Depositary Receipts (e.g.	Athens Stock Exchange	select whichever exchange offers the best price
American)	Australian Stock Exchange	and liquidity in the shares concerned, unless their
	Bats trading	customer specifically instructs them to execute
Warrants	Bolsa de Madrid	elsewhere.
	Borsa Istanbul	
Exchange Traded Funds (including	Borsa Italiana	Other factors which would override the primacy
Exchange Traded Contracts)	Budapest Stock exchange	of price in venue selection revolve around ease of
	Deutsche Borse (Eurex and Xetra)	transaction and settlement – for instance the
Closed Ended Funds (Investment	Equiduct Trading (Borse Berlin)	difficulty of transferring shares from one
Trusts)	Euronext (Paris, Brussels, Amsterdam and Lisbon)	jurisdiction's clearing system to another.
	Hong Kong Stock Exchange	
	Irish Stock Exchange	Where the firm has no relevant exchange
	Johannesberg Stock Exchange	memberships it will select executing brokers
	London Stock Exchange	according to their regional or sectoral expertise,
	NYSE Arca	and for their ability to match their trading
	NYSE	strategy to the customer's instructions.
	Nasdaq	
	Nasdaq OMX (Stockholm, Helsinki, Copenhagen)	
	Oslo Bors	
	Canadian Stock Exchange	
	Prague Stock Exchange	
	Swiss Stock Exchange	
	Tel Aviv Stock Exchange	
	Tokyo Stock Exchange	
	Wiener Borse (Vienna)	

### c. Equity Products – US via Cantor Fitzgerald & Co ("CF&Co")

Asset Class	Execution Venue	Explanation of Venue Selection
	External Brokers-Dealers	
	Bank of America Merrill Lynch	
	Morgan Stanley	
	Goldman Sachs	
	Knight Capital Group Match Europe	
	Citigroup Global Markets Limited	
	Credit Suisse Securities Europe	
	ITG Posit	
	Instinct X (Bank of America Merrill Lynch)	
	Instinet (Nomura)	
	JPM-X (JP Morgan)	
	MS Pool (Morgan Stanley)	
	UBS AG	
	Casa de Bolsa Finamex	
	GBM Grupo Bursatil Mexicano	
	XP Securities	
	Group Entity Broker-Dealers	
	Cantor Fitzgerald Canada Corp	
	Cantor Fitzgerald Europe	
	Cantor Fitzgerald Hong Kong	

### 2. Debt

#### a. Debt – London

Asset Class	Execution Venue	Explanation of Venue Selection
UK Government	London Stock Exchange	All gilts will be traded on the London Stock
		Exchange where they are listed.
Non-UK Government	<u>OTC</u>	CFE operates a matched principal booking model
	Cantor Fitzgerald Europe	and therefore the execution venue is either CFE
	Cantor Fitzgerald & Co	or CF&Co. The execution venue is dependent
Corporate	<u>OTC</u>	upon which group entity the counterparty has a
	Cantor Fitzgerald Europe	relationship with.
	Cantor Fitzgerald & Co	
Supranational	<u>OTC</u>	
	Cantor Fitzgerald Europe	
	Cantor Fitzgerald & Co	

### b. Debt – Hong Kong via Cantor Fitzgerald (Hong Kong) Capital Markets Limited ("CFHK")

Asset Class	Execution Venue	Explanation of Venue Selection
Government	<u>OTC</u>	CFHK's Fixed Income Desk executes bond trades
	Cantor Fitzgerald Europe	on behalf of CFE and its clients. Trades are
	Cantor Fitzgerald & Co	executed on a matched principal basis.
Corporate	<u>OTC</u>	
	Cantor Fitzgerald Europe	Some US instruments are only available via our
	Cantor Fitzgerald & Co	New York affiliate, CF&Co, e.g. US Repos, MBS.
Supranational	<u>OTC</u>	
	Cantor Fitzgerald Europe	
	Cantor Fitzgerald & Co	

### c. Debt – US via Cantor Fitzgerald & Co ("CF&Co")

Asset Class	Execution Venue	Explanation of Venue Selection
Government	<u>OTC</u>	CF&Co's Fixed Income Desk executes bond trades
	Cantor Fitzgerald Europe	on behalf of CFE and its clients. Trades are
	Cantor Fitzgerald & Co	executed on a matched principal basis. The
Corporate	OTC	execution venue is dependent upon which group
	Cantor Fitzgerald Europe	entity the counterparty has a relationship with.
	Cantor Fitzgerald & Co	

### **3.** Contract for Differences

Asset Class	Execution Venue	Explanation of Venue Selection
Futures (Contracts for	<u>OTC</u>	CFE creates CFDs and is CFD counterparty to its
Differences)	Cantor Fitzgerald Europe (CFE)	clients, and accordingly is itself the execution
		venue.

### 4. Equity Derivatives

Asset Class	Execution Venue	Explanation of Venue Selection
Futures and options – Block	Eurex, Euronext (Amsterdam, Paris and Brussels), Nasdaq	Options are crossed on their local exchange.
trades executed away from the	OMX, ICE Futures Europe, MEFF, IDEM, LSEDM	Where more than one exchange is possible CFE
venue order book		will follow the client's instruction as to which
Futures and options admitted to	Eurex, Euronext (Amsterdam, Paris and Brussels), Nasdaq	exchange to execute the trade on.
trading on a venue	OMX, ICE Futures Europe, MEFF, IDEM, LSEDM	
Cash Equities	Deutsche Borse (Xetra), Euronext (Amsterdam and Paris),	Cash positions are used to hedge options
	ICE Futures Europe, MEFF	positions. Stock is crossed either on the local
		exchange or as a back to back OTC trade
	отс	depending on the counterparty.

### 5. Foreign Exchange

Asset Class	Execution Venue	Explanation of Venue Selection
FX including swaps, forwards,	Currenex	First choice: Currenex
options – Liquid Markets	Various direct liquidity providers	Second choice: Directly from a liquidity provider
		if prices not available from Currenex.
FX including swaps, forwards,	Currenex	As above
options – Illiquid Markets	Various direct liquidity providers	

Currenex: A multibank eplatform, aggregating the prices given to us by our Liquidity Providers Liquidity Providers: A range of major banks.

# Annex 4: Financial instruments relative importance of execution factors

### 1. Equity Products

#### a. Equity Products – London

Asset Class	Execution Factor Priority	Comment
Cash Equities – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>We will prioritise price for Professional clients and total consideration for Retail clients.</li> <li>This will not be the case if the client gives instructions that another execution factor should take priority.</li> <li>Other factors that could change the priority of execution would include a stock becoming illiquid (see below), in which case the likelihood of execution could take priority.</li> <li>Speed of execution could take priority in some circumstances, for example in the event of a significant macro or stock specific announcement. Extreme market volatility could make size an overriding factor in execution</li> </ul>
Cash Equities — illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	In illiquid markets, particularly for larger transactions, the focus will be on achieving execution rather than on price.

Asset Class	Execution Factor Priority	Comment
Depositary Receipts (e.g. American) – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – liquid markets'
Depositary Receipts (e.g. American) – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – illiquid markets'
Warrants – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – liquid markets'
Warrants – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – illiquid markets'

Asset Class	Execution Factor Priority	Comment
Exchange Traded Funds (inc. Exchange Traded Contracts) – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – liquid markets'
Exchange Traded Funds (inc. Exchange Traded Contracts) – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – illiquid markets'
Exchange Traded Notes – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – liquid markets'
Exchange Traded Notes – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – illiquid markets'

Asset Class	Execution Factor Priority	Comment
Closed Ended Funds (Investment Trusts) – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – liquid markets'
Closed Ended Funds (Investment Trusts) – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – illiquid markets'
Open Ended Funds (OEICs, ICVC) – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – liquid markets'
Open Ended Funds (OEICs, ICVC) – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – illiquid markets'

Asset Class	Execution Factor Priority	Comment
Open Ended Funds (Unit Trusts) – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – liquid markets'
Open Ended Funds (Unit Trusts) – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – illiquid markets'

Asset Class	Execution Factor Priority	Comment
Cash Equities – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> <li>Costs</li> </ol>	The execution factors will follow the order shown except where the client gives instructions that another factor should take priority. Other factors that could change the priority of execution would include a stock becoming illiquid (see below), in which case the likelihood of execution could take priority. Speed of execution could take priority in some circumstances, for example in the event of a significant macro or stock specific announcement. Extreme market volatility could make size an overriding factor in execution
Cash Equities – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Price</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> <li>Costs</li> </ol>	In illiquid markets, particularly for larger transactions, the focus will be on achieving execution rather than on price.
Depositary Receipts (e.g. American) – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – liquid markets'

# b. Equity Products – US traded via Cantor Fitzgerald & Co ("CF&Co")

Asset Class	Execution Factor Priority	Comment
Depositary Receipts (e.g. American) – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – illiquid markets'
Warrants – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – liquid markets'
Warrants – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – illiquid markets'
Exchange Traded Funds (inc. Exchange Traded Contracts) – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – liquid markets'

Asset Class	Execution Factor Priority	Comment
Exchange Traded Funds (inc. Exchange Traded Contracts) – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – illiquid markets'
Closed Ended Funds (Investment Trusts) – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – liquid markets'
Closed Ended Funds (Investment Trusts) – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – illiquid markets'

Asset Class	Execution Factors Priority	Comment
Cash Equities – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Price is usually the most important consideration. Speed is the second most important factor, particularly where a client instruction dictates a timeline to complete their order. The likelihood of filling the client's order and size are inter-related in circumstances where there is limited availability of stock, and these factors would accordingly become more important.
Cash Equities – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Size</li> <li>Price</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	In illiquid markets equity orders tend to be large and accordingly size rather than price becomes the execution factor of highest priority. Likelihood of execution becomes more important where there are restrictions on the availability of a stock, and this will normally be of first priority in OTC markets due to their higher level of uncertainty.
Exchange Traded Funds (inc. Exchange Traded Contracts) – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – liquid markets'

### c. Equity Products – Hong Kong via Cantor Fitzgerald (Hong Kong) Capital Markets Limited ("CFHK")

Asset Class	Execution Factors Priority	Comment
Exchange Traded Funds (inc. Exchange Traded Contracts) – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Size</li> <li>Price</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'Cash Equities – illiquid markets'

### 2. Debt

#### a. Debt – London

Asset Class	Execution Factors Priority	Comment
UK Government	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Price will normally be the most important execution factor. Size is a matter of priority where an order is sufficiently large, in respect of the quantum of available stock, to have an impact on price. Likelihood of settlement will be an important consideration where there is an extended settlement date.
Non-UK Government	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Price and size are the most important execution factors. We look for pools of liquidity and deal with the most liquid counterparty so as to minimise any likely effect of the transaction on the future price achievable for the relevant debt.

Asset Class	Execution Factors Priority	Comment
Corporate – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Normally price is the most important execution factor and this will usually be agreed by the client. For large orders likelihood of execution becomes more important.
Corporate – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Where liquidity is restricted for the relevant stock the terms of the deal will be negotiated between CFE and the counterparty and in these circumstances the size will impact on, but not take precedence over, price. Likelihood of execution will also be important. Given the above speed of settlement is not likely to be a high priority.
Supranational	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Same as 'UK Government'.

### b. Debt – US traded via Cantor Fitzgerald & Co ("CF&Co")

Asset Class	Execution Factors Priority	Comment
Government – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> <li>Nature</li> </ol>	Price and size are the most important execution factors. We look for pools of liquidity and deal with the most liquid counterparty so as to minimise any likely effect of the transaction on the future price achievable for the relevant debt.
Government – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> <li>Nature</li> </ol>	The Latin American sovereign debt markets CF & Co deals in are relatively liquid. Notwithstanding this, liquidity will be an important consideration for orders of a very large size.
Corporate – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Normally price is the most important execution factor and this will usually be agreed by the client. For large orders likelihood of execution becomes more important.

Asset Class	Execution Factors Priority	Comment
Corporate – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Where liquidity is restricted for the relevant stock the terms of the deal will be negotiated between CFE and the counterparty and in these circumstances the size will impact on, but not take precedence over, price. Likelihood of execution will also be important. Given the above speed of settlement is not likely to be a high priority.

### c. Debt – Hong Kong traded via Cantor Fitzgerald (Hong Kong) Capital Markets Limited ("CFHK")

Asset Class	Execution Factors Priority	Comment
Government – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>The price is the most important execution factor for the client, followed by executable size. Some orders have a minimum size restriction.</li> <li>Costs are usually embedded in the bid/offer spread.</li> <li>When government bonds are being used as duration hedges, best price, tightness of spread (cost) and sizes quoted are a more important consideration in the order.</li> <li>Speed is not a primary factor for OTC bond markets.</li> </ul>
Corporate – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> </ol>	As above for 'Government – liquid markets'
Corporate – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Settlement (Delivery of the bond)</li> </ol>	Price is typically the most important execution factor for client, followed by executable size. Some orders have a minimum size restriction.

Asset Class	Execution Factors Priority	Comment
	4. Costs	In distressed bonds delivery of the bond purchased
	5. Nature	is equally important for the client.
	<ol><li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li></ol>	Costs are usually embedded in the bid/offer spread.
	7. Likelihood of execution and settlement	
	1. Price	As above for 'Government – liquid markets'
	2. Size	
	3. Costs	
Supranational	4. Speed	
	5. Nature	
	<ol><li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li></ol>	
	7. Likelihood of execution and settlement	

### 3. Contract for Differences

Asset Class	Execution Factors Priority	Comment
Contracts for differences	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Price is normally the determining execution factor for CFD due either to:</li> <li>the client setting the price of the CFD (within the spread of the underlying equities); or</li> <li>the price of the CFD being fixed by reference to the hedging transaction in the underlying securities.</li> <li>In the latter instance the best execution obligation pertains to the equity transaction and the execution factors are as set out in 'Cash Equities – liquid markets' or 'Cash Equities – illiquid markets'.</li> </ul>

### 4. Equity Derivatives

Asset Class	Execution Factors Priority	Comment
Futures and options admitted to trading on a venue – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Costs</li> </ol>	As the desk deals in European exchange-traded options only, likelihood of settlement is never an issue, and the priority of execution factors only varies significantly when orders are in very large size. Typically, however, price and speed of execution will take highest priority.
Futures and options admitted to trading on a venue – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Costs</li> </ol>	As above for 'Futures and options admitted to trading on a venue – liquid markets'
Futures and options – Block trades executed away from the venue order book	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Costs</li> </ol>	As above for 'Futures and options admitted to trading on a venue – liquid markets'

### 5. Foreign Exchange

Asset Class	Execution Factors Priority	Comment
FX including swaps, forwards, options – liquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	Dealing is normally carried out on an RFQ (Request for Quote) basis but limit orders are occasionally received. At-best orders are not accepted. As all trades are given up to our Prime Broker, which has pre-approved each client, there is never any uncertainty around likelihood of execution or settlement, and price is the only relevant execution factor.
FX including swaps, forwards, options – illiquid markets	<ol> <li>Price</li> <li>Size</li> <li>Speed</li> <li>Costs</li> <li>Likelihood of execution and settlement</li> <li>Nature</li> <li>Any other consideration relevant to the execution of the order</li> </ol>	As for liquid markets.

Note: FX Spot is an asset class in which CFE carries out business, but is outside the scope of MIFID II (see section 1.5 'When will Best Execution not apply?')

# **Annex 5: Retail client Acknowledgement and Consent**

### We hereby consent to the CFE Best Execution Policy (as described in this document) including:

- Executing orders outside a regulated market or MTF; and
- Consent to non-publication of limit orders.

#### My email address is:

Signed:

Name:

Title:

Date:

For and on behalf of:

Please return this acknowledgement and consent form either:

1. By mail to –

Cantor Client Due Diligence Team One Churchill Place Canary Wharf London E14 5RB

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