

DSB NON-STANDARD PRODUCT DEFINITION TASKFORCE MINUTES

Meeting: The 4th DSB Non-Standard Product Definition Taskforce

Date: 14-Sep-2017 **Time:** 13.00 – 15.00 BST **Location:** Teleconference

Chairperson: Tony Birrell, DSB

In attendance: **Taskforce Member Organisations** **DSB Secretariat / PMO**
BAML
Citi
Goldman Sachs
JP Morgan
Morgan Stanley
BNP Paribas

Apologies:

Absences: Deutsche Bank
UBS

No	Topics
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1	Open actions
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- **Action 3:** Action closed
 - **Action 4:** Action closed
 - **Action 9:** Remain open, members agreed to revert on this point and that it does not have any effect on progressing Product definition development
 - **Action 13:** Remain open, rates focus group to convene next week
 - **Action 14:** Remain open, rates focus group to convene next week
 - **Action 15:** Remain open, rates focus group to convene next week
 - **Action 16:** Remain open, rates focus group to convene next week
 - **Action 19:** Action closed, superseded by action 26 below
 - **Action 24:** Action closed
 - **Action 25:** Action closed
 - **Action 26:** Remain open, members agreed to revert on this point and that it does not have any effect on progressing Product definition development
 - **Action 27:** Action closed
 - **Action 28:** Action closed
 - **Action 29:** Action closed
 - **Action 30:** Action closed
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2	Open Issues - Equities
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- Secretariat raised open issues submitted by the Equities Focus group for consideration of the taskforce
 - Cash component of a basket – members agreed that the identifier for a cash component of a basket should not be included in the Underlying identification attribute of the OCT Derivative Product
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- Option Style & Type – Members agreed to revert on this point and that the decision does not affect the progress of the Product Definition development. (See **Action 9**)
 - Custom option with variable pay-off – Members discussed this instrument in the context of Option style and type also not being relevant
 - A member challenged whether the CFI code character of ‘X’ could be used for this attribute as it is not known
 - **Action 31:** Secretariat to confirm with CFI if ‘X’ can be used in the case where Option Style & Type (attribute 4) is not known
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3 Asset class review - Rates

- Secretariat advised that the Rates taskforce was unable to convene this week due to lack of attendance. Bilateral discussions will continue in an effort to resolve the specific rates issues.
 - Secretariat advised as a consequence of the above the Rates non-standard definitions would be de-prioritised until issues are resolved which may mean implementation will slip into 2018.
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4 Asset class review - Credit

- Secretariat raised open issues submitted by the Credit Focus group for consideration of the taskforce
 - Multi leg Credit Instruments – Members agreed to revert on this point and that the decision does not affect the progress of the Product Definition development. (See **Action 26**)
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5 Asset class review - FX

- Secretariat raised open issues submitted by the FX Focus group for consideration of the taskforce
 - Average Strike Option – Members discussed if standard or non-standard definitions should be used for an instrument containing multi-strike and therefore is not vanilla. Members agreed if there is a non-standard element in the instrument then the Non-Standard definition should be used
 - Treatment of TARF/TARN – members discussed the treatment of these instruments and agreed that TARF should utilise the standard Target Option definition and TARN should utilise the Non-Standard definition
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- Members agreed that development of the Non-Standard Product Definitions should commence based on the outstanding issues being interpretational in nature
 - Secretariat confirmed a document would be circulated to publish the findings of the taskforce and guidance on the appropriate product definitions to be used for instruments identified
 - **Action 32:** Secretariat to circulate findings of the taskforce and guidance on the appropriate product definitions to be used for instruments identified to the taskforce prior to publication
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7 Next Meeting

- Thursday 21st September 2017 – to close out remaining issues
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Respectfully submitted,

DSB Secretariat

Minutes Approved on: 21st Sep 2017

Summary of Open Actions

No	Actions	Owner	Target Date
9	Member to revert to taskforce next week after organisational consultation on treatment of Option Type	DSB Sec	21-Sep-17
13	Taskforce to provide trade examples that would be classified by Rates/Option/Other (HRM***) CFI code to the secretariat	Taskforce	21-Sep-17
14	Taskforce to opine on a potential attribute that could be added to the Non-standard Product Definitions to enable differentiation of exotic products classified by 'Other' CFI categories	Taskforce	21-Sep-17
15	Taskforce to opine on the possibility of classifying the exotic instruments in scope into an enumerated list that could be represented by a new attribute 'Product Type' that would enable differentiation of exotic products classified by 'Other' CFI categories	Taskforce	21-Sep-17
16	Taskforce to opine on the potential number of exotic Rates instruments in scope	Taskforce	21-Sep-17
26	Taskforce members to consult ISDA taskforce representatives to opine on the interpretation of Notional currency for multi leg credit instruments	Taskforce	21-Sep-17
31	Secretariat to confirm with CFI if 'X' can be used in the case where Option Style & Type (attribute 4) is not know	DSB Sec	21-Sep-17
32	Secretariat to circulate findings of the taskforce and guidance on the appropriate product definitions to be used for instruments identified to the taskforce prior to publication	DSB Sec	21-Sep-17

Summary of Closed Actions

No	Actions	Owner	Target Date
1	Secretariat to confirm how ETF is currently classified within the CFI code	DSB Sec	31-Aug-17
2	Direction required from Taskforce members in what circumstances should cross asset M – Other be used. Members to discuss if there a threshold of asset class weighting that should apply before this code is used	Taskforce	07-Sep-17
3	Taskforce members to revert with any examples of instruments that would fall into the CFI Option/Other categories	Taskforce	14-Sep-17
4	Taskforce members to submit non-standard instruments to the secretariat to continue this review	Taskforce	14-Sep-17
5	Secretariat to request an opinion from ESMA as to whether they will accept one CFI code for two different sets of attributes	DSB Sec	31-Aug-17
6	Secretariat to add into the principles of the taskforce that it will work to enhance the CFI code after Jan 3rd go-live	DSB Sec	25-Aug-17
7	Secretariat to raise the addition of 'Other' to Option Style and Type with the CFI working group	DSB Sec	31-Aug-17
8	Secretariat to bilaterally arrange asset class specific focus groups	DSB Sec	27-Aug-17
10	Secretariat to publish the recommendation that M – Others (Miscellaneous) Product Definition should be used for Non-standard forwards in the final non-standard analysis	DSB Sec	31-Aug-17
11	Secretariat to recommend to the CFI working group that 'Others' be added to the Return or Payout Trigger for Equity Forwards	DSB Sec	27-Aug-17
12	Secretariat to publish the recommendation that the Non-Standard Product Definition and resultant CFI group of 'Other' should be used when the basket consists of multi-asset class products in the final non-standard analysis	DSB Sec	15-Sep-17
17	DSB to create an independent Product Definition for CDS with Loan Underlier for Product Committee review	DSB Sec	15-Sep-17
18	Secretariat to present Non-standard credit templates to the taskforce at next meeting	DSB Sec	07-Sep-17
19	Taskforce to opine on the interpretation of Notional currency for multi leg credit instruments	Taskforce	14-Sep-17
20	Taskforce to provide examples of CDS instruments with any non-standard element and decide upon the correct Product Definition to use	Taskforce	14-Sep-17
21	Taskforce to provide trade examples that would be classified by Options/Other & Miscellaneous to the secretariat	Taskforce	14-Sep-17
22	Taskforce to provide trade examples that would be classified by Underlying Asset CFI values of Forwards/Futures/Volatility & Other to the secretariat	Taskforce	14-Sep-17
23	Secretariat to publish the recommendation that multi-currency FX instruments should use the M – Others (Miscellaneous) Product Definition	DSB Sec	15-Sep-17
24	Members to consult other business lines and confirm that the understanding of basket underliers is consistent	Taskforce	14-Sep-17

25	Member agreed to consult exotic experts in house regarding the inclusion of an identifier for the cash component in a basket underlying an OTC Derivative	Taskforce	14-Sep-17
27	Secretariat to include 'Spot' as part of the enumerated values for Underlying Asset Type in the Non-Standard FX Option definition	DSB Sec	14-Sep-17
28	Secretariat to add 'Place of Settlement' into the FX Option Non-Standard definition	DSB Sec	14-Sep-17
29	Secretariat to reclassify Delivery Type to user input in the Non-standard Product Definitions	DSB Sec	14-Sep-17
30	Taskforce members to progress open actions by next week's final Taskforce meeting	Taskforce	14-Sep-17