



**GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL**  
*(Incorporated with unlimited liability in England)*

**GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. WERTPAPIER GMBH**  
*(Incorporated with limited liability in Germany)*

**PROGRAMME FOR THE ISSUANCE OF  
WARRANTS, NOTES AND CERTIFICATES**

in respect of which the obligations of Goldman Sachs International and  
Goldman, Sachs & Co. Wertpapier GmbH are  
guaranteed by

**THE GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP, INC.**  
*(A corporation organised under the laws of the State of Delaware)*

**This Base Prospectus**

This document is a base prospectus (the "**Base Prospectus**") prepared for the purposes of Article 5.4 of Directive 2003/71/EC as amended by Directive 2010/73/EU (the "**Prospectus Directive**"). It is valid for one year and may be supplemented from time to time under the terms of the Prospectus Directive. It should be read together with any supplements to it, any documents incorporated by reference within it, and the Final Terms in relation to any particular issue of Securities.

**The Issuers, the Guarantor and the Programme**

Goldman Sachs International ("**GSI**") and Goldman, Sachs & Co. Wertpapier GmbH ("**GSW**", and together with GSI, the "**Issuers**" and each an "**Issuer**") may from time to time issue Securities (as described below) under the programme (the "**Programme**") described in this Base Prospectus upon the terms and conditions of the Securities described herein as completed, in the case of each issue of Securities, by final terms (the "**Final Terms**"). The payment and delivery obligations of GSI and GSW under the Securities are guaranteed by The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. ("**GSG**" or the "**Guarantor**"), provided that GSG may discharge any obligation to deliver assets by payment of a cash amount instead.

**Statements in relation to prospects and financial or trading position**

In this Base Prospectus, where GSI, GSW and GSG make statements that "there has been no material adverse change in the prospects" and "no significant change in the financial or trading position" of GSI, GSW and GSG, respectively, references in these statements to the "prospects" and "financial or trading position" of GSI, GSW and GSG are specifically to their respective ability to meet their full payment obligations under the Securities (in the case of GSI and GSW) or Guarantee (in the case of GSG) in a timely manner. Such statements are made, for example, in Elements B.12 and B.19 (B.12) of the "Summary". Material information about GSI's, GSW's and GSG's respective financial condition and prospects is included in the GSG periodic reports on Forms 10-K, 10-Q and 8-K which are incorporated by reference into this Base Prospectus.

**The Securities**

Securities issued under the Programme may be in the form of warrants (the "**Warrants**"), certificates (the "**Certificates**" and together with the Warrants, the "**Instruments**") or notes (the "**Notes**" and together with the Instruments, the "**Securities**").

Securities will give the holder certain rights against the relevant Issuer, including the right to receive one or more cash amounts or delivery of a specified asset or assets, against payment of a specified sum. These rights will be set forth in the terms and conditions (the "**Terms and Conditions**" or the "**Conditions**") of the Securities, which shall comprise:

- the "General Instrument Conditions" (in the case of Instruments, commencing at page 73 of this Base Prospectus) or the "General Note Conditions" (in the case of Notes, commencing at page 129

of this Base Prospectus) (and, in the case of "South African Notes", the "Additional South African Notes Conditions", commencing at page 309 of this Base Prospectus);

- where the Securities are linked to one or more Underlying Assets, the terms and conditions relating to such Underlying Asset(s) set out in the "Underlying Asset Conditions", commencing at page 182 of this Base Prospectus which are specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms;
- the "payout" terms of the Securities set out in the "Instrument Payout Conditions" (in the case of Instruments, commencing at page 116 of this Base Prospectus) or the "Note Payout Conditions" (in the case of Notes (other than EIS Notes), commencing on page 172 of this Base Prospectus) or the "EIS Note Payout Conditions" (in the case of EIS Notes, commencing at page 179 of this Base Prospectus) which are specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms; and
- the issue specific details of the particular issue of Securities as set out in a separate "Final Terms" document.

### **The Final Terms**

A "Final Terms" document shall be prepared in respect of each issue of Securities. In addition to specifying the form of the Security (be it a Warrant, Certificate, or Note), and which of the Underlying Asset Conditions (if any) and Instrument Product Conditions or Note Product Conditions (as applicable) apply to the Securities, the Final Terms will include other important information in relation to the particular issue of Securities such as, for example, payment and maturity dates, amounts, rates and (if applicable) the Underlying Asset(s) to which the return on the Securities will be dependent.

### **Types of Underlying Assets**

The amount payable or deliverable under some, but not all, of the Securities issued under this Base Prospectus may depend on the performance (which can be measured in different ways) of one or more underlying reference assets ("**Underlying Assets**"). The potential types of Underlying Assets for such purpose include:

- a share (including a depositary receipt and an exchange traded fund);
- an index, a futures, options or other derivatives contract on an equities index;
- a commodity;
- a commodity index;
- a foreign exchange rate;
- an inflation index or other consumer price index;
- an interest rate;
- a preference share issued by Goldman Sachs (Cayman) Limited;
- baskets of the above; and
- basket of one or more shares and one or more indices.

### **Risk Factors**

Before purchasing Securities, you should consider, in particular, "Risk Factors" commencing on page 30 of this Base Prospectus.

### **Commonly Asked Questions and Index of Defined Terms**

A list of Commonly Asked Questions and replies is set out commencing on page 62 of this Base Prospectus.

A list of all of the defined terms used in this Base Prospectus is set out commencing on page 461 of this Base Prospectus.

The date of this Base Prospectus is 24 June 2013

## IMPORTANT NOTICES

**Warning:** The terms and conditions of certain Securities issued under this Base Prospectus which are linked to the performance of one or more Underlying Assets may not provide for scheduled repayment in full of the issue or purchase price at maturity or upon early redemption or optional early redemption of the Securities. In such case, you may lose some or all of your original investment depending on the performance of the Underlying Asset(s).

Even if the relevant Securities do provide for scheduled repayment in full of the issue or purchase price at maturity or upon mandatory or optional early redemption of the Securities (so-called "principal protected" or "capital protected" Securities) (in whole or in part), you will still be exposed to the credit risk of the Issuer and Guarantor and will lose up to the entire value of your investment if they both fail or are otherwise unable to meet their payment obligations. You may also lose some or all of your investment if:

- you sell your Securities prior to maturity in the secondary market at an amount that is less than your initial purchase price; or
- your Securities are redeemed under their terms and conditions in certain circumstances for reasons not in the control of the Issuer and the early redemption amount paid to you is less than the initial purchase price.

**Approval and passporting under the EU Prospectus Directive:** Application has been made to the Luxembourg *Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier* (the "CSSF"), which is the Luxembourg competent authority for the purpose of Directive 2003/71/EC (as amended by Directive 2010/73/EU, the "Prospectus Directive") for approval of this Base Prospectus and relevant implementing measures in Luxembourg, as a base prospectus in respect of each of GSI and GSW issued in compliance with the Prospectus Directive and relevant implementing measures in Luxembourg for the purpose of giving information with regard to the issue of Securities under the Programme on and during the period of twelve months after the date hereof. Application has also been made to the Luxembourg Stock Exchange (the "**Luxembourg Stock Exchange**") for Securities issued under the Programme to be listed on the Official List of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and admitted to trading on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange (a regulated market for the purposes of Directive 2004/39/EC on Markets in Financial Instruments). This Base Prospectus will be published on the website of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange ([www.bourse.lu](http://www.bourse.lu)).

On the approval of this Base Prospectus as a Base Prospectus for the purpose of Article 5.4 of the Prospectus Directive by the CSSF, notification of such approval will be made to the competent authorities of Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom.

Pursuant to article 7(7) of the Luxembourg Law on Prospectuses for Securities dated 10 July 2005 (as amended), by approving this Base Prospectus, the CSSF gives no undertaking as to, and assumes no responsibility for, the economic and financial characteristics of the Securities to be issued hereunder or the quality and solvency of any Issuer.

**Nature of the Guaranty:** The payment and delivery obligations of GSI and GSW are guaranteed by The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. ("**GSG**" or the "**Guarantor**") pursuant to a guaranty dated 24 June 2013 (the "**Guaranty**"). The Guaranty will rank *pari passu* with all other unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness of GSG. GSG is only obliged to pay the Physical Settlement Disruption Amount instead of delivery of the Deliverable Assets if the Issuer has failed to deliver the Physical Settlement Amount.

**Securities are not bank deposits and are not insured or guaranteed by any United States governmental agency:** The Securities are not bank deposits and are not insured or guaranteed by the United States Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Deposit Insurance Fund, the UK Financial Services Compensation Scheme or any other government or governmental agency, or insurance protection scheme.

**GSI Base Prospectus and GSW Base Prospectus:** This Base Prospectus comprises a base prospectus in respect of Securities issued by GSI (the "**GSI Base Prospectus**") and a base prospectus in respect of Securities issued by GSW (the "**GSW Base Prospectus**"). The GSI Base Prospectus comprises all of the information in this Base Prospectus other than the information in the Summary relating to GSW and the section of the Registration Document entitled "Information relating to Goldman Sachs & Co Wertpapier GmbH". The GSW Base Prospectus comprises all of the information in this Base Prospectus other than the information in the Summary relating to GSI and the section of the Registration Document entitled "Information relating to Goldman Sachs International".

**Responsibility statements:** Subject to the next paragraph, GSI accepts responsibility for the information contained in the GSI Base Prospectus. To the best of the knowledge of GSI (which has taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in the GSI Base Prospectus is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information. Where information contained in the GSI Base Prospectus has been sourced from a third party, this information has been accurately reproduced and, so far as GSI is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by that third party, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

Subject to the next paragraph, GSW accepts responsibility for the information contained in the GSW Base Prospectus. To the best of the knowledge of GSW (which has taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in the GSW Base Prospectus is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information. Where information contained in the GSW Base Prospectus has been sourced from a third party, this information has been accurately reproduced and, so far as GSW is aware and is able to ascertain from information published by that third party, no facts have been omitted which would render the reproduced information inaccurate or misleading.

**Consent to use this Base Prospectus:** If so specified in the Final Terms in respect of any particular issuance of Securities, the Issuer consents to the use of this Base Prospectus in connection with the making of an offer of the Securities to the public requiring the prior publication of a prospectus under the Prospectus Directive (a "**Non-exempt Offer**") (i) by the financial intermediary/ies (each, an "**Authorised Offeror**"), (ii) during the offer period and (iii) subject to the relevant conditions, in each case as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

The consent shall be valid in relation to the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg and such of Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom, provided that it shall be a condition of such consent that the Base Prospectus may only be used by the relevant Authorised Offeror(s) to make offerings of the relevant Securities in the jurisdiction(s) in which the Non-exempt Offer is to take place, as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

The Issuer may (i) give consent to one or more additional Authorised Offerors after the date of the relevant Final Terms, (ii) discontinue or change the offer period, and/or (iii) remove or add conditions and, if it does so, such information in relation to the relevant Securities will be published by way of notice which will be available on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange website ([www.bourse.lu](http://www.bourse.lu)). The consent relates only to offer periods occurring within 12 months from the date of this Base Prospectus.

The Issuer accepts responsibility for the content of this Base Prospectus in relation to any person (an "**Investor**") purchasing Securities pursuant to a Non-exempt Offer where the offer to the Investor is made (i) by an Authorised Offeror (or the Issuer, the Guarantor or Dealer named herein), (ii) in a Member State for which the Issuer has given its consent, (iii) during the offer period for which the consent is given and (iv) in compliance with the other conditions attached to the giving of the consent, all as set forth in the relevant Final Terms. However, none of the Issuer, the Guarantor and the Dealer has any responsibility for any of the actions of any Authorised Offeror, including compliance by an Authorised Offeror with applicable conduct of business rules or other local regulatory requirements or other Securities law requirements in relation to such offer.

Other than in accordance with the terms set out in the paragraph above, the Issuer has not authorised (and nor has any of the Guarantor or Dealer) the making of any Non-exempt Offers of the Securities or the use of this Base Prospectus by any person. No financial intermediary or any other person is permitted to use this Base Prospectus in connection with any offer of the Securities in any other

circumstances unless otherwise agreed by the Issuer and the Guarantor. Any such offers are not made on behalf of the Issuer (or the Guarantor or Dealer) and none of the Issuer, the Guarantor and the Dealer has any responsibility or liability to any Investor purchasing Securities pursuant to such offer or for the actions of any person making such offer.

**If an Investor intends to purchase Securities from an Authorised Offeror, it will do so, and such offer and sale will be made, in accordance with any terms and other arrangements in place between such Authorised Offeror and the Investor, including as to price allocations and settlement arrangements. Neither the Issuer nor the Guarantor will be a party to any such arrangements and, accordingly, this Base Prospectus does not contain such information. The terms and conditions of such offer should be provided to the Investor by that Authorised Offeror at the time such offer is made. None of the Issuer, the Guarantor or the Dealer has any responsibility or liability for such information.**

**Credit Ratings:** The credit ratings of GSG and GSI referred to in this Base Prospectus have been issued by, in the case of GSG, DBRS, Inc. ("**DBRS**"), Fitch, Inc. ("**Fitch**"), Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("**Moody's**"), Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. ("**S&P**") and Rating and Investment Information, Inc. ("**R&I**"), and in the case of GSI, S&P, none of which entities is established in the European Union or registered under Regulation (EC) No. 1060/2009, as amended by Regulation (EU) No. 513/2011 (the "**CRA Regulation**"). In general, European regulated investors are restricted from using a rating for regulatory purposes if such rating is not either (1) issued or validly endorsed by a credit rating agency established in the European Union and registered with the European Securities and Markets Authority ("**ESMA**") under the CRA Regulation) or (2) issued by a credit rating agency established outside the European Union which is certified under the CRA Regulation.

The EU affiliates of DBRS, Fitch, Moody's and S&P are registered under the CRA Regulation. The ESMA has approved the endorsement by such EU affiliates of credit ratings issued by DBRS, Fitch, Moody's and S&P. Accordingly, credit ratings issued by DBRS, Fitch, Moody's and S&P may be used for regulatory purposes in the EU. The credit rating issued by R&I is incorporated into this Base Prospectus for information purposes only.

Credit ratings may be adjusted over time, and there is no assurance that these credit ratings will be effective after the date of this Base Prospectus. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold any Securities.

The credit rating (if any) of a certain Series of Securities to be issued under the Programme may be specified in the relevant Final Terms. Whether or not each credit rating applied for in relation to the relevant Series of Securities will be issued or endorsed by a credit rating agency established in the European Union and registered under the CRA Regulation will be disclosed in the relevant Final Terms. The list of credit rating agencies registered under the CRA Regulation (as updated from time to time) is published on the website of the ESMA ([www.esma.europa.eu/page/list-registered-and-certified-ckas](http://www.esma.europa.eu/page/list-registered-and-certified-ckas)).

**Important U.S. Legal Notices:** None of the Securities, the Guaranty and any securities to be delivered upon exercise or settlement of the Securities have been, nor will be, registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**"), or any state securities laws and trading in the Securities has not been and will not be approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the "**CFTC**") under the United States Commodity Exchange Act of 1936, as amended (the "**Commodity Exchange Act**"). Except as provided below, Securities may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States or to U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act ("**Regulation S**")). The Final Terms relating to an Instrument (but not a Note) may provide for an offer and sale of the whole or a portion of a Series of Instruments issued by GSI (but not any other Issuer) within the United States exclusively to qualified institutional buyers ("**QIBs**") (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act ("**Rule 144A**")) in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 144A under the Securities Act. In addition, GSI may from time to time issue Warrants that will be represented by a Regulation S/Rule 144A Global Warrant which can be offered and sold to (a) QIBs as defined in, and in reliance on, Rule 144A and (b) investors who are located outside the United States and are not "US persons" as defined in Regulation S (each, a "**Regulation S/Rule 144A Warrant**"). Each purchaser of Instruments offered within the United States is hereby notified that the offer and sale of such Instruments to it is made in reliance upon the exemption from the registration requirements of

the Securities Act provided by Rule 144A and that such Instruments are not transferable except as provided under "Selling Restrictions" below. Rights arising under the Securities will be exercisable by the Holder only upon certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, unless the Final Terms relating to an Instrument expressly provides otherwise in connection with an offering of the Instrument pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

Warrants relating to commodities may not be offered, sold or resold in or into the United States without an applicable exemption under the Commodity Exchange Act. Unless otherwise stated in the relevant Final Terms, such Warrants may not be offered, sold or resold in the United States and the Issuers and the Guarantor reserve the right not to make payment or delivery in respect of a Warrant to a person in the United States if such payment or delivery would constitute a violation of U.S. law.

The Securities have not been approved or disapproved by the Securities and Exchange Commission or any state securities commission in the United States nor has the Securities and Exchange Commission or any state securities commission passed upon the accuracy or the adequacy of this Base Prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offence in the United States.

**Post-issuance Reporting:** Neither the Issuers nor the Guarantor intend to provide any post-issuance information or have authorised the making or provision of any representation or information regarding the Issuers, the Guarantor or the Securities other than as contained or incorporated by reference in this Base Prospectus, in any other document prepared in connection with the Programme or any Final Terms or as expressly approved for such purpose by the Issuers or the Guarantor. Any such representation or information should not be relied upon as having been authorised by the Issuers or the Guarantor. Neither the delivery of this Base Prospectus nor the delivery of any Final Terms shall, in any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no adverse change in the financial situation of the Issuers or the Guarantor since the date hereof or, as the case may be, the date upon which this Base Prospectus has been most recently supplemented.

**Restrictions and distribution and use of this Base Prospectus and Final Terms:** The distribution of this Base Prospectus and any Final Terms and the offering, sale and delivery of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this Base Prospectus or any Final Terms comes are required by the Issuers and the Guarantor to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions. For a description of certain restrictions on offers, sales and deliveries of Securities and the distribution of this Base Prospectus, any Final Terms and other offering material relating to the Securities, see "Selling Restrictions" below.

Neither this Base Prospectus nor any Final Terms may be used for the purpose of an offer or solicitation by anyone in any jurisdiction in which such offer or solicitation is not authorised or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation, and no action has been taken or will be taken to permit an offering of the Securities or the distribution of this Base Prospectus in any jurisdiction where any such action is required.

**Stabilisation:** In connection with the issue of any Tranche of Notes, the person or persons (if any) named as the Stabilising Manager(s) (or persons acting on behalf of any Stabilising Manager(s)) may over-allot Notes or effect transactions with a view to supporting the market price of the Notes at a level higher than that which might otherwise prevail. However, there is no assurance that the Stabilising Manager(s) (or persons acting on behalf of a Stabilising Manager) will undertake stabilisation action. Any stabilisation action may begin on or after the date on which adequate public disclosure of the terms of the offer of the relevant Tranche of Notes is made and, if begun, may be ended at any time, but it must end no later than the earlier of 30 days after the issue date of the relevant Tranche of Notes and 60 days after the date of the allotment of the relevant Tranche of Notes. Any stabilisation action or over-allotment must be conducted by the relevant Stabilising Manager(s) (or person(s) acting on behalf of any Stabilising Manager(s)) in accordance with all applicable laws and rules.

**Certain defined terms:** In this Base Prospectus, references to:

- "U.S.\$", "\$", "U.S. dollars", "dollars", "USD" and "cents" are to the lawful currency of the United States of America;

- "**€**", "**euro**" and "**EUR**" are to the lawful single currency of the member states of the European Union that have adopted and continue to retain a common single currency through monetary union in accordance with European Union treaty law (as amended from time to time);
- "**£**" and "**STG**" are to Sterling, the lawful currency of the United Kingdom;
- "**CNY**" are to Chinese Renminbi, the lawful currency of the People's Republic of China (including any lawful successor to the CNY); and
- "**ZAR**" are to South African Rand, the lawful currency of South Africa (including any lawful successor to the ZAR).

Any other currency referred to in any Final Terms will have the meaning specified in the relevant Final Terms.

An Index of Defined Terms is set out on pages 461 to 469 of this Base Prospectus.

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## SUMMARY

- Summaries are made up of disclosure requirements known as "Elements". These elements are numbered in Sections A – E (A.1 – E.7).
- This summary contains all the Elements required to be included in a summary for these types of securities and Issuer. Because some Elements are not required to be addressed, there may be gaps in the numbering sequence of the Elements.
- Even though an Element may be required to be inserted in the summary because of the type of securities and Issuer, it is possible that no relevant information can be given regarding the Element. In this case a short description of the Element is included in the summary with the mention of "not applicable".

SECTION A – INTRODUCTION AND WARNINGS		
A.1	<b>Introduction and warnings</b>	This summary should be read as an introduction to this Base Prospectus. Any decision to invest in the securities should be based on consideration of this Base Prospectus as a whole by the investor. Where a claim relating to the information contained in this Base Prospectus is brought before a court, the plaintiff investor might, under the national legislation of the Member States, have to bear the costs of translating this Base Prospectus before the legal proceedings are initiated. Civil liability attaches only to those persons who have tabled the summary including any translation thereof, but only if the summary is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent when read together with the other parts of this Base Prospectus or it does not provide, when read together with the other parts of this Base Prospectus, key information in order to aid investors when considering whether to invest in such Securities.
A.2	<b>Consents</b>	<p>[Subject to the conditions set out below, in connection with a Non-exempt Offer (as defined below) of Securities, the Issuer and the Guarantor consent to the use of the Base Prospectus by [the] [each] [Dealer] [Manager] [and by]:</p> <p>(1)     [[●], [●] and [●] (the "<b>Initial Authorised Offeror[s]</b>")];</p> <p>(2)     [if the Issuer appoints additional financial intermediaries after the date of the Final Terms dated [●] and publishes details in relation to them on its website (www.[●].com), each financial intermediary whose details are so published,</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">in the case of (1) or (2) above, for as long as such financial intermediaries are authorised to make such offers under the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive (Directive 2004/39/EC);]</p> <p>(each an "<b>Authorised Offeror</b>" and together the "<b>Authorised Offerors</b>").</p> <p>The consent of the Issuer and the Guarantor is subject to the following conditions:</p> <p>(i)     the consent is only valid during the period from [●] until [●] (the "<b>Offer Period</b>")]; [and]</p> <p>(ii)    the consent only extends to the use of the Base Prospectus to make Non-exempt Offers (as defined below) of the tranche of Securities in the jurisdiction(s) in which the Non-exempt Offers are to take place[; and][.]</p> <p>[(iii)   the consent is subject to the further following conditions: [●].]</p> <p>A "<b>Non-exempt Offer</b>" of Securities is an offer of Securities that is not within an exemption from the requirement to publish a prospectus under Directive 2003/71/EC, as amended.</p> <p><b>Any person (an "Investor") intending to acquire or acquiring any Securities from an Authorised Offeror will do so, and offers and sales of Securities to an</b></p>

		<p><b>Investor by an Authorised Offeror will be made, in accordance with any terms and other arrangements in place between such Authorised Offeror and such Investor including as to price, allocations and settlement arrangements. The Issuer will not be a party to any such arrangements with Investors in connection with the offer or sale of the Securities and, accordingly, the Base Prospectus and the Final Terms will not contain such information and an Investor must obtain such information from the Authorised Offeror. Information in relation to an offer to the public will be made available at the time such sub-offer is made, and such information will also be provided by the relevant Authorised Offeror at the time of such offer.]</b></p> <p>[Not applicable; no consent is given for the use of the Base Prospectus for subsequent resales of the Securities.]</p>
<b>SECTION B – ISSUERS AND GUARANTOR</b>		
B.1	<b>Legal and commercial name of the Issuer</b>	<p>[Goldman Sachs International ("GSI")]</p> <p>[Goldman, Sachs &amp; Co. Wertpapier GmbH ("GSW")]</p>
B.2	<b>Domicile and legal form of the Issuer, legislation under which it operates and country of incorporation</b>	<p>[GSI is private unlimited liability company incorporated in England and Wales. GSI mainly operates under English law. The registered office of GSI is Peterborough Court, 133 Fleet Street, London EC4A 2BB, England.]</p> <p>[GSW is a company with limited liability (<i>Gesellschaft mit beschränkter Haftung</i>) incorporated in the Federal Republic of Germany and mainly operates under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany. The registered office of GSW is MesseTurm, Friedrich-Ebert-Anlage 49, 60308 Frankfurt am Main, Germany.]</p>
B.4b	<b>Known trends with respect to the Issuer and the industries in which it operates</b>	<p>[Not applicable; there are no known trends affecting GSI and the industries in which it operates].</p> <p>[Not applicable; there are no known trends affecting GSW and the industries in which it operates].</p>
B.5	<b>The Issuer's group</b>	<p>[Goldman Sachs Holdings (U.K.), a company incorporated under the English law has a 99 per cent. shareholding in GSI. Goldman Sachs Group Holdings (U.K.), a company incorporated under the English law beneficially owns 100 per cent. of the shares in Goldman Sachs Holdings (U.K.) and 1 per cent. shareholding in GSI. Goldman Sachs (UK) L.L.C. is established under the laws of the State of Delaware and has a 100 per cent. shareholding in Goldman Sachs Group Holdings (U.K.). The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. is established under the laws of the State of Delaware and has a 100 per cent. interest in Goldman Sachs (UK) L.L.C.]</p> <p>[GSW is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.]</p> <p>Please see B.19 (B.5).</p>
B.9	<b>Profit forecast or estimate</b>	<p>[Not applicable; GSI has not made any profit forecasts or estimates.]</p> <p>[Not applicable; GSW has not made any profit forecasts or estimates.]</p>
B.10	<b>Audit report qualifications</b>	<p>[Not applicable; there are no qualifications in the audit report of GSI on its historical financial information.]</p> <p>[Not applicable; there are no qualifications in the audit report of GSW on its historical financial information.]</p>
B.12	<b>Selected historical key financial information of the</b>	<p>[The following table shows selected key historical financial information in relation to GSI:</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>As and for the Year ended</b></p>

	Issuer, no material adverse change statement and description of significant changes in financial or trading position of the Issuer		31 December 2012 (USD)	31 December 2011 (USD)
		Operating Profit	1,111,976,000	3,071,920,000
		Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	827,966,000	3,109,361,000
		Profit on ordinary activities after taxation	683,960,000	2,425,403,000

B.15	<b>Principal activities</b>	<p>[The principal activities of GSI consist of securities underwriting and distribution, trading of corporate debt and equity services, non-U.S. sovereign debt and mortgage securities, execution of swaps and derivative instruments, mergers and acquisitions, financial advisory services for restructurings/private placements/lease and project financings, real estate brokerage and finance, merchant banking, stock brokerage and research.]</p> <p>[The principal activity of GSW is the issuance of warrants, certificates and structured notes. The securities issued by GSW are sold to Goldman Sachs International. The purpose of GSW is to issue fungible securities and to carry out financial transactions and auxiliary transactions for financial transactions. GSW does not conduct any banking activities within the meaning of section 1 of the German Banking Act (<i>Kreditwesengesetz</i>) or transactions within the meaning of section 34 c of the German Industrial Code (<i>Gewerbeordnung</i>).]</p>
B.16	<b>Ownership and control of the Issuer</b>	<p>[Goldman Sachs Holdings (U.K.), a company incorporated under the laws of England has a 99 per cent. Shareholding in GSI. Goldman Sachs Group Holdings (U.K.), a company incorporated under the laws of England beneficially owns 100 per cent. Of the shares in Goldman Sachs Holdings (U.K.) and 1 per cent. Shareholding in GSI. Goldman Sachs (UK) L.L.C. is established under the laws of the State of Delaware and has a 100 per cent. Shareholding in Goldman Sachs Group Holdings (U.K.). The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. is established under the laws of the State of Delaware and has a 100 per cent. Interest in Goldman Sachs (UK) L.L.C. See also Element B.19 (B.5).]</p> <p>[GSW is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. See also Element B.19 (B.5).]</p>
B.17	<b>Rating of the Issuer or the Securities</b>	<p>[Delete B.17 if Annex XII is applicable]</p> <p>[The long term debt of GSI is rated A by S&amp;P and Fitch. The Securities have not been rated.]</p> <p>[Not applicable; no rating has been assigned to GSW or the Securities.]</p>
B.18	<b>Nature and scope of the Guarantee</b>	The payment and delivery obligations of GSI and GSW in respect of Securities issued by GSI and GSW are unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed by The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. (" <b>GSG</b> ") pursuant to a guaranty dated 24 June 2013 made by GSG (the " <b>Guaranty</b> "). The Guaranty will rank <i>pari passu</i> with all other unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness of GSG.
B.19 (B.1)	<b>Name of Guarantor</b>	The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. (" <b>GSG</b> ").
B.19 (B.2)	<b>Domicile and legal form of the Guarantor, legislation under which it operates and country of incorporation</b>	GSG is incorporated in the State of Delaware in the United States as a corporation pursuant to the Delaware General Corporation Law. The registered office of GSG is 200 West Street, New York, New York 10282, USA.
B.19 (B.4b)	<b>Known trends with respect to the Guarantor and the industries in which it operates</b>	GSG's prospects for the remainder of 2013 will be affected, potentially adversely, by developments in global, regional and national economies, including in the U.S. movements and activity levels, in financial, commodities, currency and other markets, interest rate movements, political and military developments throughout the world, client activity levels and legal and regulatory developments in the United States and other countries where GSG does business.

B.19 (B.5)	The Guarantor's group	<div><p style="text-align: center;"><b>Holding Company Structure of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.</b></p></div> <p>Note: The percentages given are for direct holdings of ordinary shares or equivalent. Minority shareholdings are held by other Goldman Sachs Group entities which are themselves owned, directly or indirectly, by GSG.</p>																																								
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B.19 (B.14)	<b>Dependence upon other members of the Guarantor's group</b>	<p>See Element B.5.</p> <p>GSG is a holding company and, therefore, depends on dividends, distributions and other payments from its subsidiaries to fund dividend payments and to fund all payments on its obligations, including debt obligations.</p> <p>The organisational structure of GSG is set out in the table entitled "<i>Holding Company Structure of the Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.</i>" found in Element B.19 (B.5) above.</p>																														
B.19 (B.15)	<b>Principal activities</b>	<p>GSG, together with its consolidated subsidiaries ("<b>Goldman Sachs</b>"), is a leading global investment banking, securities and investment management firm that provides a wide range of financial services to a substantial and diversified client base that includes corporations, financial institutions, governments and high-net-worth individuals.</p> <p>Goldman Sachs' activities are conducted in the following segments:</p> <p>(1)     <b>Investment Banking:</b> Investment Banking is comprised of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Financial Advisory, which includes advisory assignments with respect to mergers and acquisitions, divestitures, corporate defence activities, risk management, restructurings and spin-offs; and</li><li>• Underwriting, which includes public offerings and private placements of a wide range of securities, loans and other financial instruments, and derivative transactions directly related to these client underwriting activities.</li></ul> <p>(2)     <b>Institutional Client Services:</b> Institutional Client Services is comprised of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Fixed Income, Currency and Commodities, which includes client execution activities related to making markets in interest rate products, credit products, mortgages, currencies and commodities; and</li><li>• Equities, which includes client execution activities related to making markets in equity products, as well as commissions and fees from executing and clearing institutional client transactions on major stock, options and futures exchanges worldwide. Equities also includes Goldman Sachs' securities services business, which provides financing, securities lending</li></ul>																														

		<p>and other prime brokerage services to institutional clients, including hedge funds, mutual funds, pension funds and foundations, and generates revenues primarily in the form of interest rate spreads or fees, and revenues related to Goldman Sachs' insurance activities.</p> <p>(3) <b>Investing &amp; Lending</b> which includes Goldman Sachs' investing activities and the origination of loans to provide financing to clients. These investments and loans are typically longer-term in nature. Goldman Sachs make investments, directly and indirectly through funds that Goldman Sachs manage, in debt securities, loans, public and private equity securities, real estate, consolidated investment entities and power generation facilities.</p> <p>(4) <b>Investment Management</b> which includes provision of investment management services and offering investment products (primarily through separately managed accounts and commingled vehicles, such as mutual funds and private investment funds) across all major asset classes to a diverse set of institutional and individual clients. Investment Management also offers wealth advisory services, including portfolio management and financial counselling, and brokerage and other transaction services to high-net-worth individuals and families.</p>
B.19 (B.16)	<b>Ownership and control of the Guarantor</b>	Not applicable; GSG is a publicly-held company listed on the New York Stock Exchange and not directly or indirectly owned or controlled by any shareholders or affiliated group of shareholders.
B.19 (B.17)	<b>Rating of the Guarantor</b>	The long-term debt of GSG has been rated A by Fitch, A3 by Moody's and A- by S&P.
<b>SECTION C - SECURITIES</b>		
C.1	<b>Type and class of Securities, including security identification number</b>	<p>[Cash settled Securities] [Physical settlement Securities] comprised of [Share Linked Securities/Index Linked Securities/Commodity Linked Securities/FX Rate Linked Securities/Inflation Index Linked Securities/EIS Notes] (the "<b>Securities</b>").</p> <p>ISIN: [number]; Common Code: [number]; [other security identification number].]</p>
C.2	<b>Currency</b>	The currency of the Securities will be [settlement/specified currency] (the "[Settlement/Specified] Currency").
C.5	<b>Restrictions on the free transferability</b>	<p>The Securities may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States or to U.S. persons as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act ("<b>Regulation S</b>"), except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable state securities law.</p> <p><i>[If Issuer is GSI and Securities are Instruments, insert: The whole or a portion of a series of Securities issued by the Issuer may be offered or sold within the United States exclusively to qualified institutional buyers (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act) in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 144A under the Securities Act.]</i></p> <p><i>[If Securities are Regulation S/Rule 144A Warrants, insert: The Securities can be offered and sold to (a) qualified institutional buyers as defined in, and in reliance on, Rule 144A under the Securities Act and (b) investors who are located outside the United States and are not "U.S. persons" as defined in Regulation S.]</i></p> <p><i>[If Securities are Warrants linked to commodities, insert: The Warrants may not be offered, sold or resold in or into the United States without an applicable exemption under the Commodity Exchange Act.]</i></p>

		<p>[Further, the Securities may not be acquired by, on behalf of, or with the assets of any plans subject to ERISA or Section 4975 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, other than certain insurance company general accounts.]</p> <p>Subject to the above, the Securities will be freely transferable.</p>
C.8	<b>Rights attached to the securities including ranking and any limitation to those rights</b>	<p><b>Rights:</b> The Securities give the right to each holder of Securities (a "<b>Holder</b>") to receive a potential return on the Securities (see C.18 below), together with certain ancillary rights such as the right to receive notice of certain determinations and events and to vote on future amendments. The terms and conditions are governed under English law [provided that [Finnish / French / Norwegian / Swedish] law will apply in respect of the title and registration of the Securities].</p> <p><b>Ranking:</b> The Securities are direct, unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the Issuer and rank equally with all other direct, unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the Issuer. The Guaranty will rank equally with all other unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness of GSG.</p> <p><b>Limitations to rights:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Notwithstanding that the Securities are linked to the performance of the underlying asset(s), Holders do not have any rights in respect of the underlying assets(s).</li> <li>• The terms and conditions of the Securities contain provisions for calling meetings of Holders to consider matters affecting their interests generally and these provisions permit defined majorities to bind all Holders, including holders who did not attend and vote at the relevant meeting and holders who voted in a manner contrary to the majority. Further, in certain circumstances, the Issuer may amend the terms and conditions of the Securities, without the Holders' consent.</li> <li>• The terms and conditions of the Securities permit the Issuer and the Calculation Agent (as the case may be), on the occurrence of certain events and in certain circumstances, without the Holders' consent, to make adjustments to the terms and conditions of the Securities, to redeem the Securities prior to maturity, (where applicable) to postpone valuation of the underlying asset(s) or scheduled payments under the Securities, to change the currency in which the Securities are denominated, to substitute the Issuer with another permitted entity subject to certain conditions, and to take certain other actions with regard to the Securities and the underlying asset(s) (if any).</li> </ul>
C.9	<b>Rights attached to the securities including ranking and any limitation to those rights, interest provisions, yield and representative of the holders</b>	<p>[Delete C.9 if Annex XII is applicable]</p> <p>[Not applicable; the Securities do not give an investor the right to receive 100 per cent. of the [Specified Denomination] [Nominal Amount] [Issue Price] at maturity.]</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>[Interest]</b></p> <hr/> <p>[If "Certificate Interest Conditions" apply, insert: Each Security pays interest from (and including) [insert Interest Commencement Date] ("<b>Interest Commencement Date</b>") at the rate of [insert Interest Rate] payable in arrear on each of [insert Interest Payment Date(s)] (subject to adjustment for non-business days) (each, an "<b>Interest Payment Date</b>"). The interest amount payable on each Interest Payment Date shall be calculated by multiplying [insert Interest Rate] by [Notional Amount per Certificate] and further multiplying the product by the relevant day count fraction applicable to the interest period ending on such Interest Payment Date, and rounding the resultant figure in accordance with the terms and conditions.]</p> <hr/> <p>[For Fixed Rate Notes, insert: The Securities bear interest from [insert Interest Commencement Date] ("<b>Interest Commencement Date</b>") at the rate of [insert Rate of Interest] per cent. per annum].]</p>



	<p><i>[If Fixed Coupon Amount is applicable, insert:</i> The interest amount shall be <i>[insert Fixed Coupon Amount]</i> payable in arrear on <i>[insert Interest Payment Date(s)]</i> (subject to adjustment for non-business days).]</p> <p><i>[If Fixed Coupon Amount is not applicable, insert:</i> The interest amount payable on each of <i>[insert Interest Payment Date(s)]</i> (subject to adjustment for non-business days) (each, an "<b>Interest Payment Date</b>") in respect of each Security shall be calculated by multiplying the Rate of Interest by the Calculation Amount, and further multiplying the product by the relevant day count fraction applicable to the interest period ending on such Interest Payment Date, and rounding the resultant figure in accordance with the terms and conditions.]</p> <hr/> <p><i>[For Step Up Fixed Rate Notes, insert:</i> The Securities bear interest from <i>[insert Interest Commencement Date]</i> ("<b>Interest Commencement Date</b>") at the relevant Rate of Interest set forth in the Interest Rate Table below. The Rate of Interest for the interest period commencing on (and including) the Interest Commencement Date is <i>[insert Rate of Interest]</i> per cent. per annum and thereafter for each interest period commencing on (and including) each Interest Period Start Date set forth in the Interest Rate Table, the Rate of Interest will be the amount set forth in the Interest Rate Table in the same row which such Interest Period Start Date appears.</p> <p>The interest amount payable on each of <i>[insert Interest Payment Date(s)]</i> [(subject to adjustment for non-business days)] (each, an "<b>Interest Payment Date</b>") in respect of each Security for the interest period ending on (but excluding) such Interest Payment Date shall be calculated by multiplying the relevant Rate of Interest by the Calculation Amount, and further multiplying the product by the relevant day count fraction applicable to the interest period ending on (but excluding) such Interest Payment Date, and rounding the resultant figure in accordance with the terms and conditions.]</p> <hr/> <p><i>[For Floating Rate Notes, insert:</i> The Securities bear interest from <i>[insert Interest Commencement Date]</i> ("<b>Interest Commencement Date</b>") at a floating Rate of Interest. The interest amount payable on each Interest Payment Date is calculated by applying the Rate of Interest for the interest period ending on (but excluding) such Interest Payment Date to the Calculation Amount, multiplying the product by the relevant day count fraction applicable to the interest period ending on (but excluding) such Interest Payment Date, and rounding the resultant figure in accordance with the terms and conditions.</p> <p><i>[If ISDA Determination applies, insert:</i> The Rate of Interest for an interest period [commencing on an Interest Period Start Date] shall be equal to the Floating Rate Option]</p> <p><i>[If Screen Rate Determination applies, insert:</i> The Rate of Interest for an interest period [commencing on an Interest Period Start Date] shall be equal to the Reference Rate]</p> <p>[plus/minus] <i>[insert Margin/the applicable Margin set out in the Interest Rate Table below in the column "Margin" in the same row corresponding to such Interest Period Start Date]</i> [, and multiplying the resulting amount by <i>[insert Participation Rate/the applicable Participation Rate set out in the Interest Rate Table below in the column "Participation Rate" in the same row corresponding to such Interest Period Start Date]</i>]</p> <p>[provided that the Rate of Interest shall be [not less than <i>[insert Minimum Rate of Interest]</i>] [and] [not greater than <i>[insert Maximum Rate of Interest]</i>]].]</p> <hr/> <p><i>[For Capped Floored Floating Rate Notes, insert:</i> The Rate of Interest for the interest period commencing on (and including) the Interest Commencement Date shall be [not less than <i>[insert the relevant Minimum Rate of Interest]</i> per cent. per annum] [and] [not greater than <i>[insert the relevant Maximum Rate of Interest]</i> per cent. per annum] and thereafter for each interest period commencing on (and including) each Interest Period Start Date set forth in the Interest Rate Table below, the Rate of Interest shall be [not less than the Minimum Rate of Interest set forth in the Interest Rate Table below] [and] [not greater than the Maximum Rate of Interest set forth in the Interest Rate Table</p>
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C.10	Derivative component in the interest	<div>[Insert C.10 if Annex V is applicable]</div> <div>Please refer to C.9 above.</div>																					

	<b>payment</b>	Not applicable; there is no derivative component in the interest payments made in respect of the Securities.
C.11	<b>Admission to trading</b>	<p><i>[Delete C.11 if Annex XIII is applicable]</i></p> <p>[Application has been made to admit the Securities to trading on the regulated market of the [Luxembourg Stock Exchange / <i>specify other</i>].]</p> <p>[Not applicable; the Securities will not be listed or admitted to trading on any exchange.]</p>
C.15	<b>Effect of underlying instrument on value of investment</b>	<p><i>[Insert C.15 if Annex XII is applicable]</i></p> <p><i>[For Participation Certificate, insert:</i> The value of the Securities and the settlement amount payable on the maturity date will depend on the product of (i) the Participation and (ii) the difference between the performance of [a basket of underlying assets/the underlying asset] and Strike, subject to a minimum Floor [(which is equal to zero)] [and a maximum Cap]. The performance of the [basket/underlying asset] takes into account the performance of any applicable Base Currency/Asset Currency exchange rate corresponding to [each/the] underlying asset. If the performance of the [basket/underlying asset] is less than or equal to Strike, an investor may lose some or up to all of the amount invested in the Securities, depending on the Floor.]</p> <p><i>[For Participation FX Certificate, insert:</i> The value of the Securities and the settlement amount payable on the maturity date will depend on the product of (i) the Participation and (ii) the difference between the performance of [a basket of underlying assets/the underlying asset] and Strike, and (iii) the performance of the [<i>insert Base Currency</i>]/[<i>insert Reference Currency</i>] exchange rate, subject to a minimum Floor [(which is equal to zero)] [and a maximum Cap]. If the performance of the [basket/underlying asset] is less than or equal to Strike, an investor will sustain a loss of some or up to all of the amount invested in the Securities, depending on the Floor.]</p> <p><i>[For Bonus Certificate, insert:</i> The value of the Securities and the settlement amount payable on the maturity date will depend on the performance of the underlying asset on the valuation date. If the underlying asset's [closing value on the valuation date] [average closing value on the averaging dates] is less than the specified barrier level (and such barrier level is less than 100 per cent. of the underlying asset's initial closing value), the investor will be exposed to any negative performance of the underlying asset. If the [average] closing value is zero, an investor will sustain a total loss of the amount invested in the Securities.)</p> <p><i>[If BRL FX Note Conditions apply, insert:</i> The value of the Securities, the Interest Amount payable (which may be zero but not less than zero) on an Interest Payment Date and the final redemption amount payable on the maturity date will depend on the rate for the exchange of Brazilian Real ("<b>BRL</b>") into EUR (the "<b>EUR/BRL exchange rate</b>"), which is calculated from the product of the EUR/USD exchange rate and the USD/BRL exchange rate. The Interest Amount and the final redemption amount will be converted from BRL into EUR using the EUR/BRL exchange rate. Therefore any change in the EUR/BRL exchange rate will affect the Interest Amount or final redemption amount payable.]</p> <p><i>[If FX Note Conditions apply, insert:</i> The value of the Securities, the Interest Amount payable (which may be zero but not less than zero) on an Interest Payment Date and the final redemption amount payable on the maturity date will depend on the performance of the [<i>insert Base Currency</i>]/[<i>insert Reference Currency</i>] exchange rate. The Interest Amount and the final redemption amount will be converted from the Reference Currency into the Base Currency using the [<i>insert Base Currency</i>]/[<i>insert Reference Currency</i>] exchange rate. Therefore any change in the [<i>insert Base Currency</i>]/[<i>insert Reference Currency</i>] exchange rate will affect the Interest Amount or final redemption amount payable.]</p>

		<p><i>[For Delta-One Security, insert:</i> The value of the Securities and the final redemption amount payable on the maturity date will depend on the [performance of the underlying asset on the [valuation/pricing] date] / [level of the inflation index published for the relevant reference month]. If the underlying asset's performance on the valuation date is less than its initial value, an investor will sustain a loss of some or up to all of the amount invested in the Securities.]</p> <p><i>[For EIS Notes, insert:</i> The value of the Securities and the final redemption amount payable on the maturity date [or, if applicable, the automatic early redemption amount payable on the relevant automatic early redemption date] will depend on the performance of the preference share between the initial valuation date and the [valuation date or final valuation date, as applicable/valuation date]. If the fair market value of the preference share on the [valuation date or final valuation date, as applicable/valuation date], is less than its fair market value on the Issue Date, an investor will sustain a loss of some or up to all of the amount invested in the Securities.]</p> <p>Please refer to C.18 below.</p>
C.16	<b>Expiration or maturity date</b>	<p><i>[Insert C.16 if Annex XII is applicable]</i></p> <p>The [maturity / expiration] date is <i>[insert maturity / expiration date]</i>, [subject to adjustment for non-business days in accordance with the terms and conditions / or if such date is not a scheduled trading day or is a disrupted day, subject to adjustment in accordance with the terms and conditions].</p>
C.17	<b>Settlement procedure</b>	<p><i>[Insert C.17 if Annex XII is applicable]</i></p> <p>Settlement of the Securities shall take place through</p> <p><i>[If Securities are Instruments, insert:</i> Euroclear Bank SA/NV / Clearstream Banking, <i>société anonyme</i> / Euroclear France S.A. / Verdipapirsentralen ASA, the Norwegian Central Securities Depository / Euroclear Sweden AB, the Swedish Central Securities Depository / Euroclear Finland Oy / CREST, dematerialised securities trading system operated by Euroclear UK and Ireland / Monte Titoli S.p.A.]</p> <p><i>[If Securities are Notes, insert:</i> Euroclear Bank SA/NV / Clearstream Banking, <i>société anonyme</i> / Euroclear France S.A. / Verdipapirsentralen ASA, the Norwegian Central Securities Depository / Euroclear Sweden AB, the Swedish Central Securities Depository / Euroclear Finland Oy.]</p> <p>The Issuer will have discharged its payment [and/or delivery] obligations by payment [and/or delivery] to, or to the order of, the relevant clearing system in respect of the amount so paid [or delivered].</p>
C.18	<b>Return on the Securities</b>	<p><i>[Insert C.18 if Annex XII is applicable]</i></p> <p>The return on the Securities will derive from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• [the payment on the relevant payment date(s) of an amount on account of <b>Interest</b>];</li> <li>• The potential payment of an <b>[Automatic Early Redemption / Automatic Early Exercise] Amount</b> following redemption of the Securities prior to scheduled maturity due to [(i) the exercise by the Issuer of its call option] [[or] [(i / ii)] the exercise of the Holder of its put option [or] [(ii / iii)] the occurrence an "Early [Redemption/Exercise] Event" (as described below) or [(iii / iv)] the potential payment of a Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount upon an unscheduled early redemption of the Securities (as described below);</li> <li>• If the Securities are not previously [redeemed/terminated], or purchased and cancelled, the [payment of the <b>[Final Redemption] [Settlement] Amount</b>]</li> </ul>

	<div>[delivery of the <b>Physical Settlement Amount</b>] on the scheduled [maturity] [exercise and settlement] of the Securities.</div> <div></div> <div><b>[Interest]</b></div> <div>[If BRL FX Note Conditions or FX Note Conditions apply, insert: The interest amount payable in respect of each Note and the interest period ending on (but excluding) each Interest Payment Date shall be an amount (which may be zero, but will not be less than zero) in [insert Specified Currency] calculated in accordance with the following formula:</div> <div>[If BRL FX Note Conditions apply, insert:</div> <div><div>Calculation Amount × Rate × Day Count Fraction BRL FX (IPD)]</div><div>[If FX Note Conditions apply, insert:</div><div><div>Calculation Amount × Rate × Day Count Fraction FX (IPD)]</div><div>Defined terms used above:</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>[BRL FX (IPD)]</b>: in respect of a BRL Valuation Date, (i) the [EUR/USD exchange rate] for such BRL Valuation Date, multiplied by (ii) the USD/BRL exchange rate for such BRL Valuation Date.]</li><li>• <b>Calculation Amount</b>: [insert].</li><li>• <b>Day Count Fraction</b>: [insert].</li><li>• <b>[FX (IPD)]</b>: in respect of an Interest Payment Date, the [insert Base Currency]/[insert Reference Currency] exchange rate in respect of the Valuation Date corresponding to such Interest Payment Date (each scheduled to fall on the dates set out in the table below in the columns "Valuation Date" and "Interest Payment Date" respectively).]</li><li>• <b>Rate</b>: [insert].</li></ul></div><div><table><tr><th>Valuation Date</th><th>Interest Payment Date</th></tr><tr><td>[insert] [repeat as required]</td><td>[insert] [repeat as required]</td></tr></table></div><div></div><div>[If Automatic Early Redemption/Automatic Early Exercise is applicable, insert for Notes other than EIS Notes (in the case of Automatic Early Redemption) or Instruments (in the case of Automatic Early Exercise):</div><div><b>Automatic Early [Redemption/Exercise]</b></div><div>If the Calculation Agent determines that in respect of each of [insert date(s)] (each, an "Applicable Date"), an Automatic Early [Exercise/Redemption] Event has occurred in respect of such Applicable Date, then [For Instruments, insert: the Securities will be exercised on such Applicable Date, and each Holder shall be entitled to receive from the Issuer on the Automatic Early Exercise Date [insert the Automatic Early Exercise Amount in respect of each Security]] / [For Notes, insert: the Securities will be redeemed on the Automatic Early Redemption Date corresponding to such Applicable Date by payment of [insert the Automatic Early Redemption Amount]].</div><div>Defined terms used above:</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Automatic Early [Exercise/Redemption] Date</b>: each of [insert date(s)].</li></ul></div></div></div>	Valuation Date	Interest Payment Date	[insert] [repeat as required]	[insert] [repeat as required]
Valuation Date	Interest Payment Date				
[insert] [repeat as required]	[insert] [repeat as required]				

- **Automatic Early [Exercise/Redemption] Event:** in respect of any Applicable Date, *[For underlying asset other than an inflation index, insert: the closing share price/closing index level/commodity reference price/closing commodity index level/exchange rate]* [of the underlying asset set forth in the table at C.20 below in the column entitled "Underlying Asset", on] / *[For an inflation index, insert: the level of the Inflation Index published for the relevant reference month immediately preceding]* such Applicable Date is greater than or equal to the Automatic Early Exercise Barrier.
- **Automatic Early Exercise Barrier:** *[insert].]*

**[Optional Redemption Amount]**

*[If "Call Option" applies, insert: **Redemption at the Issuer's option:***

The Issuer may redeem [all] of the Securities on an Optional Redemption Date (Call) at the Optional Redemption Amount plus accrued interest (if any) to such Optional Redemption Date (Call) by giving notice to the Holders on or prior to the Call Option Notice Date corresponding to such Optional Redemption Date (Call) (each term as set forth in the table below, each subject to adjustment in accordance with the terms and conditions). The Optional Redemption Amount in respect of each Calculation Amount of the Securities shall be *[insert Calculation Amount/other amount].]*

Optional Redemption Table	
Call Option Notice Date	Optional Redemption Date (Call)
<i>[insert date] [repeat as necessary]</i>	<i>[insert date] [repeat as necessary]</i>

*[If "Put Option" applies, insert: **Redemption at the Holder's option:*** The Issuer shall, at the option of the holder of any Security redeem such Security on the Optional Redemption Date (Put) (as is specified in the relevant notice delivered by the Holder) at the Optional Redemption Amount (Put) [together with interest (if any) accrued to such date]. The Optional Redemption Amount (Put) in respect of each Calculation Amount of the Securities shall be *[insert Calculation Amount/other amount].]*

**Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount**

**Unscheduled early redemption:** The Securities may be redeemed prior to the scheduled maturity (i) at the Issuer's option (a) if the Issuer determines a change of applicable law has the effect that its performance under the Securities has become unlawful or impracticable (in whole or in part), (b) where applicable, if the Calculation Agent determines that certain additional disruption events or adjustment events as provided in the terms and conditions of the Securities have occurred in relation to the Underlying Asset[s] or (ii) upon notice by a Holder declaring such Securities to be immediately repayable due to the occurrence of an event of default which is continuing.

*[Insert if not EIS Notes:* In such case, the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount payable on such unscheduled early redemption shall be, for each Security, [the Specified Denomination of *[insert Specified Denomination]* / Nominal Amount of *[insert Nominal Amount]*] / [an amount representing the fair market value of the Security taking into account all relevant factors less all costs incurred by the Issuer or any of its affiliates in connection with such early redemption[, including those related to unwinding of any underlying and/or related hedging and funding arrangement]]].

*[Insert if EIS Notes:* In such case, the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount payable on such unscheduled early redemption shall be, for each Security, of the Specified Denomination of *[insert Specified Denomination]*, (A) in the case of (i) above, essentially, an amount equal to *[insert Specified Denomination]*, multiplied by

	<p>the result of (x) the fair market value of the Preference Share on the date on which the Notes are scheduled for unscheduled early redemption divided by (y) the fair market value of the Preference Share on the Issue Date; and (B) in the case of (ii) above, an amount representing the fair market value of the Security taking into account all relevant factors less all costs incurred by the Issuer or any of its affiliates in connection with such early redemption[, including those related to unwinding of any underlying and/or related hedging and funding arrangement].]</p> <p><b>The Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount may be less than your initial investment and therefore you may lose some or all of your investment on an unscheduled early redemption.</b></p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>[Final Redemption / Settlement] Amount</u></b></p> <p>Unless previously redeemed, or purchased and cancelled, the Securities will be redeemed by payment of the [Final Redemption / Settlement] Amount on the maturity date.</p> <p><i>[If Participation Certificate and Capped Participation are applicable, insert: The Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall be an amount in the Settlement Currency calculated in accordance with the formula below:</i></p> $N \times \{ \text{Floor} + \text{Min}[\text{Cap}; (P \times \text{Max}[0; \text{Perf} - \text{Strike}]) ] \}$ <p>Defined terms used above:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Cap:</b> <i>[insert amount]</i> [an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion on or after <i>[insert Trade Date]</i> [and is expected to be <i>[insert amount]</i> [but shall not be] [more than <i>[insert amount]</i>] [and] [less than <i>[insert amount]</i>].</li> <li>• <b>Floor:</b> <i>[insert amount]</i> [an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion on or after <i>[insert Trade Date]</i> [and is expected to be <i>[insert amount]</i> [but shall not be] [more than <i>[insert amount]</i>] [and] [less than <i>[insert amount]</i>].</li> <li>• <b>Perf:</b> the [Underlying Performance / Basket Performance / Minimum Performance].</li> <li>• <b>"Max"</b> followed by a series of amounts inside brackets, means whichever is the greater of the amounts separated by a semi-colon inside those brackets. For example, "Max(x;y)" means the greater of component x and component y.</li> <li>• <b>"Min"</b> followed by a series of amounts inside brackets, means whichever is the lesser of the amounts separated by a semi-colon inside those brackets. For example, "Min(x;y)" means the lesser of component x and component y.</li> <li>• <b>N:</b> Nominal Amount of <i>[insert amount]</i>.</li> <li>• <b>P:</b> Participation, which is <i>[insert amount]</i> [an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion on or after <i>[insert Trade Date]</i> [and is expected to be <i>[insert amount]</i> [but shall not be] [more than <i>[insert amount]</i>] [and] [less than <i>[insert amount]</i>].</li> <li>• <b>Strike:</b> <i>[insert amount]</i>.</li> </ul> <hr/> <p><i>[If Participation Certificate and Uncapped Participation are applicable, insert: The Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall be an amount in the Settlement Currency calculated in accordance with the formula below:</i></p>
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		$N \times \{ \text{Floor} + [P \times \text{Max}(0; \text{Perf} - \text{Strike})] \}$ <p>Defined terms used above:  <i>[Insert Floor, Max, N, P, Perf and Strike from above]</i></p> <hr/> <p><i>[If Participation FX Certificate and Capped Participation are applicable, insert: The Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall be an amount in the Settlement Currency calculated in accordance with the formula below:</i></p> $N \times \{ \text{Floor} + \text{Min}[ \text{Cap}; (P \times \text{Max}(0; \text{Perf} - \text{Strike}) \times \text{FXR}) ] \}$ <p>Defined terms used above:  <i>[Insert Cap, Floor, Max, Min, N, P, Perf and Strike from above]</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>FXR:</b> an amount equal to <math>[\text{FX (Final)} \text{ divided by } \text{FX (Initial)} / \text{FX (Initial)} \text{ divided by } \text{FX (Final)}]</math>.</li> </ul> <hr/> <p><i>[If Participation FX Certificate and Uncapped Participation are applicable, insert: The Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall be an amount in the Settlement Currency calculated in accordance with the formula below:</i></p> $N \times \{ \text{Floor} + [P \times \text{Max}(0; \text{Perf} - \text{Strike}) \times \text{FXR}] \}$ <p>Defined terms used above:  <i>[Insert Floor, FXR, Max, N, P, Perf and Strike from above]</i></p> <hr/> <p><i>[If "Bonus Certificate" and "Capped Participation" is applicable, insert: The Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall be an amount in the Settlement Currency determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with paragraph (i) or (ii) below, as applicable:</i></p> <p>(i) if the Reference Price (Final) is greater than or equal to the Barrier Level, the Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:</p> $N \times \{ \text{Bonus} + [P \times \text{Min}[ \text{Cap}; \text{Max}(0; \text{Underlying Performance} - \text{Bonus}) ] ] \}$ <p>(ii) if the Reference Price (Final) is less than the Barrier Level, the Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:</p> $N \times \text{Underlying Performance}$ <p>Defined terms used above:  <i>[Insert Cap, Max, Min, N and P from above]</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Barrier Level:</b> <i>[insert amount]</i> [[approximately] equal to <i>[insert percentage]</i> of the Reference Price (Initial)].</li> <li>• <b>Bonus:</b> <i>[insert amount]</i> [an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion on or after <i>[insert Trade Date]</i> [and is expected to be</li> </ul>
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		<p>[insert amount] [but shall not be] [more than [insert amount]] [and] [less than [insert amount]].</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Reference Price (Final):</b> [the average of the closing values of an Asset on each of the Averaging Dates] [the closing value of an Asset on the Valuation Date], subject to adjustment and correction in accordance with the terms and conditions.</li> <li>• <b>Underlying Performance:</b> an amount equal to Reference Price (Final) divided by Reference Price (Initial).]</li> </ul> <hr/> <p>[If "Bonus Certificate" and "Uncapped Participation" is applicable, insert: The Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall be an amount in the Settlement Currency determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with paragraph (i) or (ii) below, as applicable:</p> <p>(i) if the Reference Price (Final) is greater than or equal to the Barrier Level, the Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:</p> $N \times \{ \text{Bonus} + [P \times \text{Max}(0; \text{Underlying Performance} - \text{Bonus})] \}$ <p>(ii) if the Reference Price (Final) is less than the Barrier Level, the Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:</p> $N \times \text{Underlying Performance}$ <p>Defined terms used above:</p> <p>[Insert Bonus, Max, N, P and Underlying Performance from above]</p> <hr/> <p>[If "Delta One" is applicable, insert: The [Final Redemption/Settlement] Amount payable in respect of each Security shall be an amount in the [Settlement/Specified] Currency calculated in accordance with the formula below:</p> $[\text{Calculation Amount}/N] \times \frac{\text{Reference Price (Final)}}{\text{Reference Price (Initial)}}$ <p>Defined terms used above:</p> <p>[Insert if applicable, Calculation Amount or N from above]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Reference Price (Final):</b> [[closing share price of the Share / closing index level of the Index / closing level of the Commodity Index / commodity reference price of the Commodity / the FX Rate] on the [Valuation/Pricing] Date] / [the level of the Inflation Index published for [insert Final Reference Month]]</li> <li>• <b>Reference Price (Initial):</b> [[closing share price of the Share / closing index level of the Index / closing level of the Commodity Index / commodity reference price of the Commodity / the FX Rate] on the Initial [Valuation/Pricing] Date] / [the level of the Inflation Index published for [insert Initial Reference Month]]</li> </ul> <hr/> <p>[If BRL FX Note Conditions or FX Note Conditions apply, insert: The Final Redemption Amount payable in respect of each Security shall be an amount in the</p>
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		<p>Specified Currency calculated in accordance with the formula below:</p> $\left[ \text{If BRL FX Note Conditions apply, insert: } \frac{\text{Calculation Amount}}{\text{BRL FX (Final)}} \right]$ $\left[ \text{If FX Note Conditions apply, insert: } \frac{\text{Calculation Amount}}{\text{FX (Final)}} \right]$ <p>Defined terms used above:</p> <p><i>[Insert Calculation Amount from above]</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>[BRL FX (Final)]</b>: in respect of a Final BRL Valuation Date, (i) the EUR/USD exchange rate for the Final BRL Valuation Date, multiplied by (ii) the USD/BRL exchange rate for the Final BRL Valuation Date]</li> <li>• <b>[FX (Final)]</b>: <i>[insert Base Currency]/[insert Reference Currency]</i> exchange rate in respect of the final Valuation Date scheduled to fall on <i>[insert date]</i>, subject to adjustment in accordance with the terms and conditions]</li> </ul> <hr/> <p><i>[For EIS Notes, insert: The Final Redemption Amount shall be an amount in the Specified Currency calculated in accordance with the formula below:</i></p> $\text{Specified Denomination} \times \frac{\text{PreferenceShare Value}_{\text{Final}}}{\text{PreferenceShare Value}_{\text{Initial}}}$ <p>Defined terms used above:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Preference Share Value<sub>Final</sub></b>: the fair market value of the Preference Share on the Valuation Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent.</li> <li>• <b>Preference Share Value<sub>Initial</sub></b>: the fair market value of the Preference Share on the Issue Date [(which is expected to be the same as the issue price of the Preference Share, being <i>[insert amount]</i>)], as determined by the Calculation Agent.</li> <li>• <b>Specified Denomination</b>: <i>[insert]</i>.</li> <li>• <b>Valuation Date</b>: <i>[insert]</i> subject to adjustment corresponding to any adjustments made under the terms and conditions of the Preference Shares <i>[If EIS Notes include an automatic early redemption event, insert: , provided that if an automatic early redemption event occurs under the terms and conditions of the Preference Shares, the Valuation Date will be the valuation date under the Preference Shares on which the automatic early redemption event has occurred.]</i></li> </ul> <hr/> <p><i>[If "Physical Settlement" is applicable, insert: <b><u>Physical Settlement Amount</u></b></i></p> <p>Upon [exercise/redemption] of a Security, the Issuer shall transfer or procure the transfer on <i>[insert Physical Settlement Date]</i> of <i>[insert number]</i> Shares after the Holder has made payment of <i>[insert Strike Price]</i> [and,] all applicable taxes and stamp duties, transaction costs and any other costs incurred by the Issuer and any of its affiliates in the delivery of the Deliverable Assets.]</p> <hr/> <p><i>[If "Holder's Election for Physical Settlement" is applicable, insert: <b><u>Physical Settlement Amount</u></b></i></p> <p>Upon [redemption/exercise] of a Security, a Holder may by notice given in accordance with the terms and conditions elect not to receive the [Final Redemption/Settlement]</p>
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		<p>Amount, but instead, subject to an occurrence of a settlement disruption event, request the Issuer to transfer or procure the transfer of <i>[insert number]</i> Shares in respect of each Security so <i>[redeemed/exercised]</i>.]</p> <p><i>[Insert the following definitions as necessary for the above payouts:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>[Adjusted Final FX Valuation Date:</b> [the Latest Reference Date in respect of the [Last Averaging/Valuation] Date] / [the [latest to occur of the] [Last Averaging/Valuation] Date] [for the Assets] [scheduled to fall on <i>[insert date]</i>], after all adjustments to such date in accordance with the terms and conditions if such date is not a scheduled trading day or a disrupted day for such Asset, provided that such date (after any adjustments for non-scheduled trading days or disrupted days) will be further adjusted pursuant to the terms and conditions if it is not a Publication Fixing Day.]</li> <li>• <b>[Adjusted Initial FX Valuation Date:</b> [the Latest Reference Date in respect of the [Last Initial Averaging/Initial] Valuation Date] / [the [latest to occur of the] [Last Initial Averaging/Initial] Valuation Date] [for the Assets] [scheduled to fall on <i>[insert date]</i>], after all adjustments to such date in accordance with the terms and conditions if such date is not a scheduled trading day or a disrupted day for such Asset, provided that such date (after any adjustments for non-scheduled trading days or disrupted days) will be further adjusted pursuant to the terms and conditions if it is not a Publication Fixing Day.]</li> <li>• <b>[Asset FX:</b> an amount equal to <math>\text{FX (Final)} / \text{FX (Initial)}</math> / <math>\text{FX (Initial)} / \text{FX (Final)}</math>].]</li> <li>• <b>[Asset FX (Final):</b> the Base Currency/Asset Currency exchange rate corresponding to the Asset Currency of an Asset on the Final FX Valuation Date.]</li> <li>• <b>[Asset FX (Initial):</b> the Base Currency/Asset Currency exchange rate corresponding to the Asset Currency of an Asset on the Initial FX Valuation Date.]</li> <li>• <b>[Averaging Dates:</b> each of <i>[insert dates]</i>, each subject to adjustment in accordance with the terms and conditions.]</li> <li>• <b>[Basket Performance:</b> the aggregate of the Weighted Performance of each Asset.]</li> <li>• <b>[BRL Valuation Date:</b> <i>[insert number]</i> Scheduled FX Business Day preceding the original date on which each Interest Payment Date is scheduled to fall, each subject to adjustment in accordance with the terms and conditions.]</li> <li>• <b>[Final BRL Valuation Date:</b> the BRL Valuation Date in respect of the Interest Payment Date falling on the maturity date.]</li> <li>• <b>[Final FX Valuation Date:</b> in respect of an Asset and the Base Currency/Asset Currency exchange rate corresponding to the Asset Currency of such Asset, the Valuation Date for such Asset [, as adjusted pursuant to the terms and conditions if it is not a Publication Fixing Day].]</li> <li>• <b>[FX Business Day:</b> each day that is both (i) a business day in any one or more of the following cities: Brasilia, São Paulo or Rio de Janeiro and (ii) a business day in New York City.]</li> <li>• <b>[FX (Final):</b> <math>\text{[insert Base Currency]} / \text{[insert Reference Currency]}</math> exchange rate in respect of the Adjusted Final FX Valuation Date.]</li> <li>• <b>[FX (Initial):</b> <math>\text{[insert Base Currency]} / \text{[insert Reference Currency]}</math> exchange rate in respect of the Adjusted Initial FX Valuation Date.]</li> <li>• <b>[Initial Averaging Dates:</b> <i>[insert dates]</i>, subject to adjustment in accordance with the terms and conditions.]</li> <li>• <b>[Initial FX Valuation Date:</b> in respect of an Asset and the Base Currency/Asset</li> </ul>
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C.21	<b>Admission to trading</b>	<p><i>[Insert C.21 if Annex XIII is applicable]</i></p> <p>[The Securities will be admitted to trading on the [Luxembourg Stock Exchange / <i>specify other</i>].]</p> <p>[Not applicable; the Securities will not be admitted to trading on any stock exchange.]</p>
<b>SECTION D – RISKS</b>		
D.2	<b>Key risks that are specific to the Issuer, the Guarantor and the Group</b>	<p>The Issuer and the Guarantor could fail or otherwise be unable to make the payments owing under the Securities. If that happens, you will not have the protection of any deposit insurance scheme and your Securities will not be secured, and you may lose some or all of your money.</p> <p>References in Elements B.12 and B.19 (B.12) above to the "prospects" and "financial or trading position" of the Issuer and Guarantor (as applicable), are specifically to their respective ability to meet their full payment obligations under the Securities (in the case of GSI or GSW) or Guarantee (in the case of GSG) in a timely manner. Material information about GSI's, GSW's and GSG's respective financial condition and prospects is included in the GSG periodic reports on Forms 10-K, 10-Q and 8-K which are incorporated by reference into this Base Prospectus. You should be aware, however, that each of the key risks highlighted below could have a material adverse effect on the Issuer's and Guarantor's businesses, operations, financial and trading position and prospects, which, in turn, could have a material adverse effect on the return investors receive on the Securities.</p> <p>As part of a leading global financial services group the Issuer and the Guarantor are subject to a number of key risks of the Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Group's businesses have been and may continue to be adversely affected by conditions in the global financial markets and economic conditions generally.</li> <li>• The Group's businesses have been and may be adversely affected by declining asset values. This is particularly true for those businesses in which it has net "long" positions, receives fees based on the value of assets managed, or receives or posts collateral.</li> <li>• The Group's businesses have been and may be adversely affected by disruptions in the credit markets, including reduced access to credit and higher costs of</li> </ul>

		<p>obtaining credit.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Group's market-making activities have been and may be affected by changes in the levels of market volatility.</li> <li>• The Group's investment banking, client execution and investment management businesses have been adversely affected and may continue to be adversely affected by market uncertainty or lack of confidence among investors and CEOs due to general declines in economic activity and other unfavourable economic, geopolitical or market conditions.</li> <li>• The Group's investment management business may be affected by the poor investment performance of its investment products.</li> <li>• The Group may incur losses as a result of ineffective risk management processes and strategies.</li> <li>• The Group's liquidity, profitability and businesses may be adversely affected by an inability to access the debt capital markets or to sell assets or by a reduction in its credit ratings or by an increase in its credit spreads.</li> <li>• Conflicts of interest are increasing and a failure to appropriately identify and address conflicts of interest could adversely affect the Group's businesses.</li> <li>• The Guarantor is a holding company and is dependent for liquidity on payments from its subsidiaries, many of which are subject to restrictions.</li> <li>• The Group's businesses, profitability and liquidity may be adversely affected by deterioration in the credit quality of, or defaults by, third parties who owe the Group money, securities or other assets or whose securities or obligations it holds.</li> <li>• Concentration of risk increases the potential for significant losses in the Group's market-making, underwriting, investing and lending activities.</li> <li>• The financial services industry is highly competitive.</li> <li>• The Group faces enhanced risks as new business initiatives leads it to transact with a broader array of clients and counterparties and exposes it to new asset classes and new markets.</li> <li>• Derivative transactions and delayed settlements may expose the Group to unexpected risk and potential losses.</li> <li>• The Group's businesses may be adversely affected if it is unable to hire and retain qualified employees.</li> <li>• The Group's businesses and those of its clients are subject to extensive and pervasive regulation around the world.</li> <li>• The Group may be adversely affected by increased governmental and regulatory scrutiny or negative publicity.</li> <li>• A failure in the Group's operational systems or infrastructure, or those of third parties, could impair the Group's liquidity, disrupt its businesses, result in the disclosure of confidential information, damage its reputation and cause losses.</li> <li>• Substantial legal liability or significant regulatory action against the Group could have material adverse financial effects or cause significant reputational harm, which in turn could seriously harm the Group's business prospects.</li> <li>• The growth of electronic trading and the introduction of new trading technology may adversely affect the Group's business and may increase competition.</li> <li>• The Group's commodities activities, particularly its power generation interests and physical commodities activities, subject the Group to extensive regulation, potential catastrophic events and environmental, reputational and other risks that may expose it to significant liabilities and costs.</li> <li>• In conducting its businesses around the world, the Group is subject to political, economic, legal, operational and other risks that are inherent in operating in many</li> </ul>
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		<p>countries.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Group may incur losses as a result of unforeseen or catastrophic events, including the emergence of a pandemic, terrorist attacks, extreme weather events or other natural disasters.</li> </ul>
D.3	<b>Key risks that are specific to the securities</b>	<p><i>[Delete if Annex XII is applicable]</i></p> <p>Investors in the Securities will lose part or their entire investment if:</p> <p>(a) the Issuer or the Guarantor go bankrupt, become insolvent or enter receivership, or is otherwise unable to make the payments [or the deliveries] owing to investors under the Securities or to fulfil their respective obligations under the Securities to Holders. If that happens, investors will not have the protection of any deposit insurance scheme and will not be secured, and may lose some or all of their money; or</p> <p>(b) the investor sells the Securities prior to their scheduled maturity, and the sale price of the Securities in the secondary market is less than the initial purchase price.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>[The value of the Securities on its issue date (as determined by reference to pricing models used by Goldman Sachs and taking into account Goldman Sachs' credit spreads) may be significantly less than the original issue price.]</li> <li>[Securities may have no liquidity or the market for such Securities may be non-existent or limited and purchasers of Securities may be unable to dispose of them.]</li> </ul> <p><i>[Risks associated with listed Securities, insert: • Investors should note the Issuer will not be obliged to maintain the listing of the Securities in certain circumstances, such as changes in listing requirements.]</i></p> <p><i>[If Securities have a cap, insert: • The potential for the value of the Securities to increase is limited as the [redemption/settlement] amount is capped.]</i></p> <p><i>[For Securities with Interest Rates, insert: The performance of interest rates is dependent upon a number of factors, including supply and demand on the international money markets, which are influenced by measures taken by governments and central banks, as well as speculations and other macroeconomic factors.]</i></p> <p><i>[If Securities are linked to a LIBOR rate, insert: • The London Inter-Bank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") is currently being reformed and changes proposed include the way which LIBOR is calculated and administered, and the number of currencies and tenors for which LIBOR is calculated. Investors should be aware any of these changes could affect the published rate (thereby causing it to become more volatile) and could have a material adverse effect on the value of, and the amount payable under the Securities.]</i></p> <p><i>[If Securities are linked to a EURIBOR rate, insert: • Investors should note that the Euro Interbank Offered Rate ("EURIBOR") and other so-called "benchmarks" have also been the subject of increased scrutiny and proposals for reform by a number of international authorities and other bodies. Whether any of these proposals will be implemented is currently unclear. Any significant changes to EURIBOR or other applicable benchmarks referenced by the Securities could have a material adverse effect on the value of, and the amount payable under the Securities.]</i></p>
D.6	<b>Key risks that are specific to the Securities</b>	<p><i>[Insert if Annex XII is applicable]</i></p> <p><b>The capital invested in the securities is at risk. Therefore, investors may lose [some] [up to all] of their investment.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>[The value of the Securities on its issue date (as determined by reference to pricing models used by Goldman Sachs and taking into account Goldman Sachs' credit spreads) may be significantly less than the original issue price.]</li> <li>[Securities may have no liquidity or the market for such Securities may be non-</li> </ul>



		<p>existent or limited and purchasers of Securities may be unable to dispose of them.]</p> <p><i>[Risks associated with listed Securities, insert: • Investors should note the Issuer will not be obliged to maintain the listing of the Securities in certain circumstances, such as changes in listing requirements.]</i></p> <p><i>[If Securities contain a leverage factor over 100 per cent., insert: • As the [redemption/settlement] amount of the Securities is linked to the performance of the underlying asset multiplied by a leverage factor of over 100 per cent., the purchaser may have a disproportionate exposure to any negative performance of the underlying asset. Consequently, the Securities represent a very speculative and risky form of investment.]</i></p> <p><i>[If Securities have an averaging feature, insert: • The amount payable (or deliverable) on the Securities (whether at maturity or otherwise) will be based on the average of the applicable values of the underlying asset(s). If the value of an underlying asset(s) dramatically surged on a number of averaging dates, the amount payable may be significantly less than it would have been had the amount payable been linked only to the value of that underlying asset(s) on one single date.]</i></p> <p><i>[If Securities have a cap, insert: • The potential for the value of the Securities to increase is limited as the performance of the underlying asset(s) to which the Securities are linked is capped.]</i></p> <p><i>[If FX Disruption Event or CNY FX Disruption Event applies, insert: If any specified currency disruption event has occurred which is material to the Issuer's payment obligations under the Securities (including its hedge position), then [If FX Disruption Event applies, insert: the forthcoming payment date shall be postponed. If such event continues on the specified cut-off date,] the Issuer may, by giving prior notice to Holders of such Securities, make payment of an equivalent amount in USD of the relevant amount payable under the Securities, in full and final settlement of its obligations to pay such relevant amount under the Securities.]</i></p> <p><i>[If Securities are linked one or more underlying asset(s), insert: Risks associated with Securities linked to underlying asset(s):</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Purchasers of Securities linked one or more underlying asset(s) are exposed to the performance of such underlying asset(s), which may be subject to unpredictable change over time.</li> <li>• Past performance of an underlying asset is not indicative of future performance.</li> <li>• Any consequential postponement of, or any alternative provisions for, valuation of any underlying asset(s) following any market disruption event applicable to the Securities may have an adverse effect on the value of the Securities. If certain adjustment events applicable to the Securities occur pursuant to the conditions of the Securities, the Calculation Agent may in certain cases adjust the conditions of the Securities without the Holder's consent or cause the early redemption of the Securities.]</li> </ul> <p><i>[If Securities reference one or more emerging market underlying asset(s), insert: • Investors in the Securities should be aware that countries with emerging economies or stock markets may lack the social, political and economic stability characteristics of more developed countries. Emerging market underlying asset(s) may be illiquid and may be more volatile than investments in more established markets.]</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• [Purchasers of Securities do not have any rights whatsoever in respect of any underlying asset(s) referenced by such Securities, and the obligations of the Issuer and Guarantor are not secured by any assets.]</li> </ul> <p><i>[For Share Linked Securities, insert: • The issuer of a Share may take any actions in respect of a Share without regard to the interests of the purchasers of the Securities, and</i></p>
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		<p>any of these actions could adversely affect the market value of the Securities.]</p> <p><i>[If Share Linked Securities reference Depositary Receipts, insert: • A purchaser of the Securities may receive a lower payment upon redemption than any return such purchaser would have received from investing in the shares underlying the depositary receipts directly because the price of the depositary receipts may not include the value of dividends paid on the underlying shares.]</i></p> <p><i>[If Share Linked Securities reference ETFs, insert: • An investment in the Securities linked to an exchange traded fund ("ETF") is not the same as a direct investment in any index underlying such ETF, or the shares of the underlying companies comprising such underlying index, or any assets, contracts and/or instruments which may be invested in or held by the ETF and may therefore result in a lower yield than a direct investment in such index or shares. The management company, trustee or sponsor of an ETF may take any actions in respect of such ETF without regard to the interests of the purchasers of the Securities, and any of these actions could adversely affect the market value of the Securities.]</i></p> <p><i>[For Index Linked Securities, insert: • A purchaser of the Securities may receive a lower payment upon redemption than any return such purchaser would have received from investing in the components of the Index directly because the relevant Index level may reflect the prices of such index components without including the value of dividends paid on those components. An Index sponsor may take any actions in respect of the Index without regard to the interests of the purchasers of the Securities, and any of these actions could adversely affect the market value of the Securities.]</i></p> <p><i>[For Commodity Linked Securities, insert: • The performance of a Commodity, and any corresponding commodity contract, depends on various factors, including supply and demand, liquidity, weather conditions and natural disasters, direct investment costs, location and changes in tax rates. Commodity prices are more volatile than other asset categories, making investments in commodities riskier and more complex than other investments.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commodities are subject to legal and regulatory regimes that may change in ways that could affect the ability of the Issuer or any entities acting on its behalf (or both) to hedge the Issuer's obligations under the Securities and/or could lead to early redemption or the adjustment to the terms and conditions of the Securities.]</li> </ul> <p><i>[For Commodity Index Linked Securities, insert: • Purchasers of Securities may receive a lower payment upon redemption than any return such purchaser would have received from investing directly in commodities underlying a Commodity Index or a Security whose redemption amount was based upon the spot price of physical commodities or commodity contracts that were scheduled to expire on the maturity date of the Securities.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Commodity Index sponsor may take any actions in respect of the Commodity Index without regard to the interests of the purchasers of the Securities, and any of these actions could adversely affect the market value of the Securities. A Commodity Index sponsor may make changes to the index composition and such changes may affect the relevant Commodity Index level and any amount payable on the Securities. If a Commodity Index sponsor does not calculate the Commodity Index, the Calculation Agent will have the discretion to determine the relevant level of the Commodity Index in order to calculate the amount payable on the Securities.</li> <li>• Purchasers of the Securities should be aware that following the occurrence of any disruption event applicable to the Securities, the Calculation Agent may determine the level of the Commodity Index and such level may not reflect any Commodity Index level which may be still be calculated and published by the Commodity Index sponsor (notwithstanding the occurrence of such event).]</li> </ul> <p><i>[For Inflation linked Securities, insert: • The amount payable on the Securities may be</i></p>
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		<p>based on an Inflation Index level for a month which is several months prior to the relevant payment date and therefore could be substantially different from the level of inflation at the time such payment is made. The performance of an Inflation Index may not correlate perfectly with the rate of inflation experienced by purchasers of the Securities in the relevant jurisdiction.]</p> <p><i>[For Securities with Interest Rates, insert:</i> The performance of interest rates is dependent upon a number of factors, including supply and demand on the international money markets, which are influenced by measures taken by governments and central banks, as well as speculations and other macroeconomic factors.</p> <p><i>[If Securities are linked to a LIBOR rate, insert:</i> • The London Inter-Bank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") is currently being reformed and changes proposed include the way which LIBOR is calculated and administered, and the number of currencies and tenors for which LIBOR is calculated. Investors should be aware any of these changes could affect the published rate (thereby causing it to become more volatile) and could have a material adverse effect on the value of, and the amount payable under the Securities.]</p> <p><i>[If Securities are linked to a EURIBOR rate, insert:</i> • Investors should note that the Euro Interbank Offered Rate ("EURIBOR") and other so-called "benchmarks" have also been the subject of increased scrutiny and proposals for reform by a number of international authorities and other bodies. Whether any of these proposals will be implemented is currently unclear. Any significant changes to EURIBOR or other applicable benchmarks referenced by the Securities could have a material adverse effect on the value of, and the amount payable under the Securities.]</p> <p><i>[If Securities are linked to basket of underlying assets, insert:</i> • A small basket will generally be more vulnerable to changes in the value of the underlying assets and a change in composition of a basket may have an adverse effect on basket performance. The performance of a basket that gives greater weight to some underlying assets will be more affected by changes in the value of any such particular underlying asset included therein than a basket with equally weighted underlying assets. These factors may have an impact on the amounts payable on the Securities.]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A high correlation of basket components may have a significant effect on amounts payable on the Securities and the negative performance of a single basket component may outweigh a positive performance of one or more other basket components and may have an impact on the amounts payable on the Securities.]</li> </ul> <p><i>[For EIS Notes, insert:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The capital invested in the Securities is at risk. Therefore, investors may lose up to all of their investment.</b></li> <li>• The value of the Securities is dependent on the change in the fair market value of the Preference Shares between the initial and the final valuation dates. Potential purchasers of Notes should ensure that they understand the nature of the Preference Shares. The terms and conditions of the Preference Shares will be made available to investors upon request to the relevant Issuer or Dealer.</li> <li>• The fair market value of the Preference Shares will depend (amongst other things) on the redemption amount payable under the Preference Shares. Such amount will be a particular payout formula, and will be dependent on the performance of an underlying asset (the "<b>Preference Share Underlying</b>"). Purchasers of Notes are therefore exposed to the performance of the Preference Share Underlying, which may be subject to unpredictable change over time.</li> <li>• [The Preference Shares will redeem prior to scheduled maturity on the occurrence of [a preference share automatic early redemption event or] for unforeseen events. In such case, the Securities will also be redeemed prior to maturity, and Holders may realise a reduced return than had the Securities not been so redeemed, and may be unable to reinvest the proceeds in an investment providing an equivalent</li> </ul>
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		<p>return.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any consequential postponement of, or any alternative provisions for, valuation of the Preference Share Underlying following any disruption event applicable to the Preference Shares may have an adverse effect on the value of the Securities. If certain adjustment events applicable to the Preference Shares occur, the Calculation Agent may in certain cases adjust the terms and conditions of the Securities without the Holder's consent or cause the early redemption of the Securities.</li> <li>The basis and rate of taxation in respect of the Securities and the investors and any reliefs depends on the individual circumstances of each investor and could change at any time. This could have a negative impact on the return of the Securities to an investor. You should seek your own independent tax advice prior to investing.</li> <li>GSG affiliates are subject to certain conflicts of interest between their own interests and those of the holders of the Securities which could have an adverse effect on the value of the Securities, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>an affiliate of the Issuer will be the swap counterparty to the Preference Share Issuer in order to fund the payout on the Preference Shares;</li> <li>the Issuer may hedge the Issuer's obligations under the Securities by purchasing futures and/or other instruments linked to the Preference Share Underlying or the stocks or other components;</li> <li>each of the calculation agent under the swap agreement with the Preference Share Issuer, the Calculation Agent under the Preference Shares and the Calculation Agent under the Securities is an affiliate of the Issuer and potential conflicts of interest may exist between any of them and the purchasers, including with respect to the exercise of their discretionary power;</li> <li>the Issuer, the Guarantor and certain affiliates may from time to time, by virtue of their status as underwriter, advisor or otherwise, possess or have access to information relating to the Securities, the Preference Shares, the Preference Share Underlying, and any derivative instruments referencing them and shall not be obliged to disclose any such information to a purchaser of the Securities.]</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>SECTION E – THE OFFER</b>		
E.2b	<b>Reasons for the offer and use of proceeds</b>	[Insert if Annex V or Annex XII is applicable]. [The net proceeds of the offer will be used in the general business of the Issuer.] [●]
E.3	<b>Terms and conditions of the offer</b>	<p>[Insert if Annex V or Annex XII is applicable]. [An offer of the Securities may be made other than pursuant to Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive in [●] ("<b>Public Offer Jurisdiction[s]</b>") during the period [from [(and including)] [●] to [(and including)] [●]] ("<b>Offer Period</b>") by the Authorised Offeror[s].</p> <p>[The Offer Price is [●] (the "<b>Issue Price</b>"). [The/Each] Authorised Offeror will offer and sell the Securities to its customers in accordance with arrangements in place between [the/such] Authorised Offeror and its customers by reference to the Issue Price and market conditions prevailing at the time.]</p> <p>[Offers of Securities are conditional on their issue and are subject to [●] [certain conditions being met]. As between [the/each] Authorised Offeror and its customers, offers of the Securities are further subject to such conditions as may be agreed between them and/or as is specified in the arrangements in place between them.]</p> <p>[An Investor will purchase the Securities in accordance with the arrangements in</p>

		place between the [relevant] Authorised Offeror and its customers relating to the purchase of securities generally. Investors will not enter into any contractual arrangements directly with the Issuer in connection with the offer or purchase of the Securities.]
E.4	<b>Interests material to the issue/offer</b>	[Save for [●],] so far as the Issuer is aware, no person involved in the issue of the Notes has an interest material to the offer, including conflicting interests.]
E.7	<b>Estimated expenses</b>	[A subscription fee of up to a maximum of [insert] per cent. ([insert]%) of the Issue Price (which is not reflected in the price of the Securities) will be separately charged to investors by [the/each] Authorised Offeror. A selling commission of up to [insert] per cent. ([insert]%), of the Issue Price has been paid by the Issuer. Such a commission is reflected in the price of the Securities.] [Not applicable. There are no estimated expenses charged to the investor by the Issuer or [the/each] Authorised Offeror.]

## RISK FACTORS

*Prospective purchasers of, and investors in, Securities should consider the information set out below, together with any risk factors set out in any documents incorporated by reference.*

The risk factors herein are organised into the following sub-sections below:

1. Risks relating to loss of investment and suitability of Securities
2. Risks associated with all Securities
3. Risks associated with Securities that include certain features
4. Risks associated with Securities that reference one or more Underlying Asset(s)
5. Risks associated with conflicts of interest between Goldman Sachs and purchasers of Securities
6. Additional risks associated with EIS Notes
7. Risks associated with the Issuers and the Guarantor

### 1. Risks relating to loss of investment and suitability of Securities

#### 1.1 *Purchasers of Securities may receive back less than the original invested amount*

**PURCHASERS OF SECURITIES MAY LOSE THEIR ENTIRE INVESTMENT OR PART OF IT, AS THE CASE MAY BE, TOGETHER WITH ANY TRANSACTION COSTS INCURRED, AS A RESULT OF THE OCCURRENCE OF ANY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING EVENTS:**

- (a) **THE TERMS OF THE RELEVANT SECURITIES (AS SET FORTH IN THE RELEVANT FINAL TERMS) DO NOT PROVIDE FOR FULL REPAYMENT OF THE INITIAL PURCHASE PRICE UPON FINAL MATURITY AND/OR MANDATORY EARLY REDEMPTION OF SUCH SECURITIES AND THE RELEVANT UNDERLYING ASSET(S) PERFORM IN SUCH A MANNER THAT THE FINAL REDEMPTION OR SETTLEMENT AMOUNT AND/OR MANDATORY EARLY REPAYMENT AMOUNT IS LESS THAN THE INITIAL PURCHASE PRICE;**
- (b) **THE SECURITIES ARE SOLD BY THE PURCHASER PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED MATURITY OF SUCH SECURITIES FOR AN AMOUNT LESS THAN THE PURCHASER'S INITIAL INVESTMENT;**
- (c) **THE BANKRUPTCY OR INSOLVENCY OF THE ISSUER AND/OR THE GUARANTOR OR OTHER EVENTS ADVERSELY AFFECTING THE ISSUER'S OR THE GUARANTOR'S ABILITY TO MEET ITS PAYMENT AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE SECURITIES; OR**
- (d) **THE SECURITIES ARE SUBJECT TO UNSCHEDULED EARLY REDEMPTION (E.G. FOR CHANGE OF APPLICABLE LAW OR DUE TO AN EVENT IN RELATION TO THE RELEVANT UNDERLYING ASSET(S)) AND THE EARLY REDEMPTION AMOUNT OR PHYSICAL SETTLEMENT AMOUNT IS LESS THAN THE ORIGINAL INVESTED AMOUNT.**

#### 1.2 *Suitability of Securities for purchase*

Before purchasing Securities, each purchaser must ensure that the nature, complexity and risks inherent in the Securities are suitable for his or her objectives in the light of his or her circumstances and financial position. No person should purchase the Securities unless that

person understands the extent of that person's exposure to potential loss. Each prospective purchaser of Securities should consult his or her own legal, tax, accountancy, regulatory, investment or other professional advisers to assist them in determining whether the Securities are a suitable investment for him or her or to clarify any doubt about the contents of the Base Prospectus (including for the avoidance of doubt, each document incorporated by reference in the Base Prospectus) and the relevant Final Terms.

Neither the Issuer nor the Guarantor has given, and does not give, to any prospective purchaser of Securities (either directly or indirectly) any assurance or guarantee as to the merits, performance or suitability of such Securities to any potential purchaser, and the purchaser should be aware that the Issuer is acting as an arm's-length contractual counterparty and not as an advisor or fiduciary.

## 2. **Risks associated with all Securities**

### 2.1 ***Valuation of the Securities; Inducements and/or commissions and/or fees***

Assuming no changes in market conditions or Goldman Sachs' creditworthiness and other relevant factors, the value of the Securities on the date of the Final Terms (as determined by reference to pricing models used by Goldman Sachs and taking into account Goldman Sachs' credit spreads) may be significantly less than the original issue price. In addition, purchasers of Securities should be aware that the issue price may include inducements and/or commissions and/or other related fees paid by the Issuer to distribution partners as payment for distribution services. This can cause a difference between the issue price of the Securities and any bid and offer prices quoted by the Issuer, any Goldman Sachs affiliate or any third party. Such differences may be greater when the Securities are initially traded on any secondary markets and may gradually decline in value during the term of the Securities. Information with respect to the amount of these inducements, commissions and fees will be included in the Final Terms and/or may be obtained from the Issuer upon request.

### 2.2 ***Limited liquidity of Securities***

Unless otherwise communicated by the Issuer or any Goldman Sachs affiliate to the purchaser of the Securities, or to the extent that the rules of any stock exchange on which the Securities are listed and admitted to trading require the Issuer or any Goldman Sachs affiliate to provide liquidity in respect of such Securities, the Securities may have no liquidity or the market for such Securities may be limited and this may adversely impact their value or the ability of the purchaser of Securities to dispose of them.

A secondary market is unlikely to develop and, even if a secondary market does develop, it is not possible to predict the price at which Securities will trade in such secondary market. None of the Issuers or any Goldman Sachs affiliate is under an obligation, or makes any commitment, to make a market in or to repurchase the Securities. If any Issuer or any Goldman Sachs affiliate does make a market for the Securities, it may cease to do so at any time without notice. Purchasers should therefore not assume that the Securities can be sold at a specific time or at a specific price during their life.

None of the Issuers or any Goldman Sachs affiliate has any obligation to provide any quotation of bid or offer price(s) of the Securities which is favourable to any purchaser of the Securities. Although application may be made for Securities issued under the Programme to be admitted to trading on a stock exchange, there is no assurance that such application will be accepted, that any particular Securities will be so admitted or that an active trading market will develop. Accordingly, there is no assurance as to the development or liquidity of any trading market for any particular Securities. None of the Issuers assumes any responsibility for, or makes any commitment to, any potential purchaser of any particular Securities for such development or liquidity of any trading market for such Securities.

### 2.3 ***Price discrepancies in secondary market***

The value or quoted price of the Securities at any time will reflect many factors and cannot be predicted, and if a purchaser sells his or her Security prior to its maturity, such purchaser may receive less than its issue price. Such factors, most of which are beyond the control of

Goldman Sachs, will influence the market price of the Securities, and will include national and international economic, financial, regulatory, political, terrorist, military and other events that affect securities generally, interest and yield rates in the market, the time remaining until the Securities mature, the creditworthiness of the Issuer and the Guarantor, and, if applicable, the performance of any Underlying Asset. If the Issuer or any Goldman Sachs affiliate does make a market in the Securities, the price quoted by such Goldman Sachs entity for the Securities will reflect any changes in market conditions and other relevant factors including a deterioration in Goldman Sachs' creditworthiness or perceived creditworthiness whether measured by Goldman Sachs' credit ratings or other measures. These changes may adversely affect the market price of the Securities, including the price a purchaser may receive for its Securities in any market making transaction. In addition, even if Goldman Sachs' creditworthiness does not decline, the value of the Securities on the trade date may be significantly less than the original price taking into account Goldman Sachs' credit spreads on that date. The quoted price could be higher or lower than the original issue price, and may be higher or lower than the value of the Securities as determined by reference to pricing models used by Goldman Sachs.

If at any time a third party dealer quotes a price to purchase the Securities or otherwise values the Securities, that price may be significantly different (higher or lower) than any price quoted by any Goldman Sachs affiliate. Furthermore, if any purchaser sells its Securities, the purchaser will likely be charged a commission for secondary market transactions, or the price will likely reflect a dealer discount.

#### **2.4 *Liquidity enhancement***

If so provided in the relevant Final Terms, the liquidity of the Securities may be supported by one or more entities acting in the secondary market (e.g., a specialist, market maker, price maker) (each, a "liquidity provider") pursuant to agreement(s) entered into between the Issuer and any lead manager and/or distributor(s) in respect of any issue or offering of the Securities.

Where the bid price for Securities quoted by a liquidity provider is determined on the basis of certain fixed criteria (e.g., the creditworthiness of the Issuer on the issue date of such Securities), the secondary market transactions in such Securities may be significantly affected by such criteria as the bid price may not reflect all of the changes to relevant market variables such as any deterioration in Goldman Sachs' creditworthiness or perceived creditworthiness, whether measured by Goldman Sachs' credit ratings or other measures.

Moreover, if the undertakings of a liquidity provider to show predetermined bid prices for Securities are limited to a fixed maximum amount, not all of the purchasers may be able to sell their Securities at such predetermined bid prices. This may occur because once such fixed maximum amount has been reached, the bid price for the Securities will be determined by reference to prevailing market conditions and may be lower than such predetermined bid prices calculated in accordance with the relevant liquidity enhancement agreement(s). Where applicable, the Issuer will specify in the relevant Final Terms whether there is any commitment by a liquidity provider to act as intermediary in secondary market trading in the relevant Securities, or to provide liquidity in respect of the Securities through bid and offer rates and a description of the main terms of such commitments.

In any event, none of the Issuers will be liable to any potential purchaser of the Securities for the bid prices or offer rates quoted by any liquidity provider.

#### **2.5 *Change of applicable law, Early Redemption and Reinvestment Risk***

Upon an Issuer becoming aware of (a) the adoption of, or change in, any applicable law or (b) the promulgation of, or any change in, the interpretation of any applicable law by a court, tribunal or regulatory authority with competent jurisdiction, which has the effect that its performance under the Securities has become unlawful or impracticable in whole or in part for any reason, the Issuer may (i) amend the terms of the Securities to cure such unlawfulness or impracticability or (ii) redeem or terminate the Securities.



In the case of early redemption or termination, if permitted by applicable law, the Issuer shall pay the purchaser of such Securities an amount equal to the non-scheduled early repayment amount of such Securities notwithstanding such illegality, as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. A purchaser of Securities should be aware that this non-scheduled early repayment amount may be less than the purchaser's initial investment, and in such case see risk factor, "*1.1 Purchasers of Securities may receive back less than the original invested amount*". Following any such early redemption or termination of Securities, the purchasers of such Securities may not be able to reinvest the redemption proceeds at any effective interest rate as high as the interest rate or yield on the Securities being redeemed and may only be able to do so at a significantly lower rate. Purchasers of Securities should consider reinvestment risk in light of other investments available at that time.

## 2.6 *Tax Law*

### (a) *Change in Tax Law*

Tax law and practice is subject to change, possibly with retrospective effect and this could adversely affect the value of the Securities to the purchaser and/or the market value of the Securities. Any such change may (i) cause the tax treatment of the relevant Securities to change from what the purchaser understood the position to be at the time of purchase; (ii) render the statements in this Base Prospectus concerning relevant tax law and practice in relation to Securities under the Programme inaccurate or inapplicable in some or all respects to certain Securities or have the effect that the Base Prospectus does not include material tax considerations in relation to certain Securities; or (iii) give the Issuer the right to amend the terms of the Securities, or early redeem or terminate the Securities, if such change has the effect that the Issuer's performance under the Securities is unlawful or impracticable (see risk factor "*2.5 Change of applicable law, Early Redemption and Reinvestment Risk*"). **Prospective purchasers of Securities should consult their own tax advisers in relevant jurisdictions about the tax implications of holding any Security and of any transaction involving any Security.**

### (b) *U.S. taxation developments*

The U.S. Department of the Treasury has issued proposed regulations under Section 871(m) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as amended) which could ultimately require Goldman Sachs to treat all or a portion of any payment on the Securities that is contingent upon, or determined by reference to, dividends from U.S. sources as a "dividend equivalent" payment that is subject to withholding tax at a rate of 30 per cent. (or a lower rate under an applicable treaty). Prospective purchasers of Securities could also be required to make certain certifications in order to avoid or minimize such withholding obligations, and could be subject to withholding (subject to their potential right to claim a refund from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service) if such certifications were not received or were not satisfactory. **Prospective purchasers of Securities should consult their own tax advisers concerning the potential application of these regulations to payments they may receive with respect to any Securities when these regulations are finalised.**

## 2.7 *Amendments to the Securities bind all purchasers of Securities*

The terms and conditions of the Securities may be amended by the Issuer (i) in certain circumstances, without the consent of the purchasers of the Securities and (ii) in certain other circumstances, with the required consent of a defined majority of the purchasers of such Securities. The terms and conditions of the Securities contain provisions for purchasers to call and attend meetings to consider and vote upon matters affecting their interests generally. Resolutions passed at such meetings can bind all purchasers, including purchasers who did not attend and vote at the relevant meeting and purchasers who voted in a manner contrary to the majority.

## 2.8 *Substitution of the Issuer*

The Issuer may be substituted as principal obligor under such Securities by any company from the Goldman Sachs Group of companies. Whilst the new issuer will provide an indemnity in

favour of the purchasers of such Securities in relation to any additional tax or duties that become payable solely as a result of such substitution, purchasers will not have the right to consent to such substitution.

**2.9 *The occurrence of an FX Disruption Event may lead to delayed and/or payment in USD***

If the relevant Final Terms specify that "FX Disruption Event" is applicable to the Securities, and the Calculation Agent has determined that an FX Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing and such event is material in relation to the Issuer's payment obligations under the Securities (including in relation to the Issuer's hedge position under the Securities), then the forthcoming payment date shall be postponed (and no interest shall be payable in relation to such postponement). If the FX Disruption Event is still continuing on the FX Disruption Event Cut-off Date, then the Issuer's payment obligations under the Securities may be replaced with the obligation to pay the USD Equivalent Amount of the relevant Interest Amount, Settlement Amount, Redemption Amount or other amount payable (if applicable) on the relevant Affected Payment Cut-off Date.

**2.10 *The occurrence of a CNY FX Disruption Event may lead to payment in USD***

If the relevant Final Terms specify that "CNY FX Disruption Event" is applicable to the Securities, and the Calculation Agent has determined that a CNY FX Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing and such event is material in relation to the Issuer's payment obligations under the Securities (including in relation to the Issuer's hedge position under the Securities), then the Issuer's payment obligations under the Securities may be replaced with the obligation to pay the USD Equivalent Amount of the relevant Interest Amount, Settlement Amount, Redemption Amount or other amount payable (if applicable) on the relevant Affected Payment Date.

**2.11 *Risks relating to Securities denominated in CNY***

CNY is not freely convertible at present. The government of the People's Republic of China continues to regulate conversion between CNY and foreign currencies despite the significant reduction over the years by such government of its control over routine foreign exchange transactions conducted through current accounts. The People's Bank of China ("PBOC") has established a clearing and settlement system pursuant to the Settlement Agreement on the Clearing of CNY Business between PBOC and Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited. However, the current size of CNY and CNY denominated financial assets in Hong Kong is limited, and its growth is subject to many constraints imposed by the laws and regulations of the People's Republic of China on foreign exchange.

There can be no assurance that access to CNY funds for the purposes of making payments under the Securities or generally will remain available or will not become restricted. The value of CNY against foreign currencies fluctuates and is affected by changes in the People's Republic of China and international political and economic conditions and by many other factors. As a result, foreign exchange fluctuations between a purchaser's home currency and CNY may affect purchasers who intend to convert gains or losses from the sale or redemption of the Securities into their home currency.

Developments and the perception of risks in other countries, especially emerging market countries, may adversely affect the USD/CNY exchange rate and therefore the value of Securities denominated in or referencing CNY.

**3. *Risks associated with Securities that include certain features***

**3.1 *The exercise of Issuer call option in respect of Securities***

Where the terms and conditions of the Securities provide that the Issuer has the right to call the termination of such Securities, following the exercise by the Issuer of such issuer call option, a purchaser of such Securities will no longer be able to realise his or her expectations for a gain in the value of such Securities and, if applicable, will no longer participate in the performance of the Underlying Assets.

### 3.2 ***No exercise***

Where the terms and conditions of the Securities provide that the Securities must be exercised in order for the purchasers of the Securities to receive their settlement amount in respect of such Securities, and the Securities are not designated "Automatic Exercise Instruments", the purchasers of such Securities must exercise their rights to receive payment in accordance with the terms and conditions of such Securities and the requirements of the relevant clearing systems or the registrar, as applicable, otherwise they may lose their initial investment, in which case see risk factor, "*1.1 Purchasers of Securities may receive back less than the original invested amount*".

### 3.3 ***Time lag after exercise***

Where the terms and conditions of the Securities provide that the Securities are to be exercised, there will be a time lag between the time a purchaser of such Securities gives instructions to exercise and the time the applicable settlement amount relating to such exercise is determined. Any such delay between the time of exercise and the determination of the settlement amount could be significantly longer, particularly in the case of a delay in exercise of Securities arising from any daily maximum exercise limitation, or following the imposition of any exchange controls, other similar regulations affecting the ability to obtain or exchange any relevant currency (or basket of currencies). The applicable settlement amount may change significantly during any such period, and such movement or movements could decrease the settlement amount in respect of the Securities being exercised and may result in such Settlement Amount being zero, in which case see risk factor, "*1.1 Purchasers of Securities may receive back less than the original invested amount*".

### 3.4 ***Limitations on exercise (minimum)***

Where the terms and conditions of the Securities provide that a purchaser must tender a specified minimum number of Securities and integral multiples of Securities thereafter at any one time in order to exercise the Securities, purchasers with fewer than the specified minimum number of Securities or specified multiples thereof will either have to sell their Securities or purchase additional Securities, incurring transaction costs in each case, in order to realise their investment. Furthermore, purchasers of such Securities incur the risk that there may be differences between the trading price of such Securities and the Settlement Amount of such Securities.

### 3.5 ***Limitations on exercise (maximum)***

Where the terms and conditions of the Securities provide that the maximum number of Securities exercisable in aggregate, and by any person, on any date is limited, in the event that the total number of Securities being exercised on any date exceeds such maximum number, a purchaser may not be able to exercise on such date all Securities that he or she desires to exercise. Securities to be exercised on such date will be selected at the discretion of the Issuer and the Securities tendered for exercise but not exercised on such date will be automatically exercised on the next date on which Securities may be exercised, subject to the same daily maximum limitation and delayed exercise provisions.

### 3.6 ***Risks associated with Securities which provide for a subscription period for an offer to the public in the relevant Final Terms***

Where the relevant Final Terms for the Securities provide for a subscription period for the purpose of offering the Securities to the public, and also do not provide for a fixed strike date or initial valuation date, holders should note that the Issuer has the right to reduce or extend the length of such subscription period. In such case, the initial valuation date or initial pricing date (as applicable) on which the initial value of the Underlying Asset(s) will be determined by the Calculation Agent, will be brought forward or postponed pursuant to the offering documentation. Any adjustment to the subscription period will be at the discretion of the Issuer, and the Issuer may adjust such subscription period in such a way that the initial value is fixed on a date which may adversely affect the value of the Securities, and this may have a significant adverse impact on the value of the Securities.

**4. Risks associated with Securities that reference one or more Underlying Asset(s)**

**4.1 *Performance of the Securities is linked to the performance of the Underlying Asset(s)***

Where the Securities reference one or more Underlying Asset(s), the purchasers of such Securities are exposed to the performance of such Underlying Asset(s). The rate, price, performance or investment return of the Underlying Asset(s) may be subject to unpredictable change over time and this degree of change is known as "volatility". The volatility of an Underlying Asset may be affected by national and international financial, political, military or economic events, including governmental actions, or by the activities of participants in the relevant markets. Any of these events or activities could adversely affect the value of the Securities. Volatility does not imply direction of the rate, price, performance or investment returns, though an Underlying Asset that is more volatile is likely to increase or decrease in value more often and/or to a greater extent than one that is less volatile.

Where the performance of an Underlying Asset in relation to any particular Securities is calculated on a "European basis", i.e. a comparison is made between the Underlying Asset's price on a start date and a future date to determine performance, purchasers will not benefit from any increase in the Underlying Asset's price from the start date up to, but excluding, the specified date on which the Underlying Asset's price will be determined for the purpose of the relevant Securities.

Where the performance of an Underlying Asset in relation to any particular Securities is calculated on an "Asian basis", i.e. the average of the Underlying Asset's price on a number of reference dates is used to determine the performance, the average price will be lower than the highest value and therefore purchasers will not benefit from the greatest increase in the Underlying Asset's price from the start date.

**4.2 *Past performance of an Underlying Asset is not indicative of future performance***

Any information about the past performance of the Underlying Asset at the time of the issuance of the Security should not be regarded as indicative of the range of, or trends in, fluctuations in the Underlying Asset that may occur in the future.

**4.3 *No rights of ownership in the Underlying Asset(s)***

The purchasers of Securities should be aware that the relevant Underlying Asset(s) will not be held by the Issuer for the benefit of the purchasers of such Securities, and as such, purchasers will not obtain any rights of ownership, including, without limitation, any voting rights, any rights to receive dividends or other distributions or any other rights with respect to any Underlying Asset(s) referenced by such Securities.

**4.4 *Postponement or alternative provisions for determination of the Underlying Asset(s)***

If the Calculation Agent determines that any form of disruption event in relation to the Underlying Asset(s) has occurred which affects the determination of the rate or other applicable value of such Underlying Asset(s) on any relevant day, the Calculation Agent may apply any consequential postponement of, or any alternative provisions for, determination of the rate or other applicable value of such Underlying Asset(s) provided in the terms and conditions of the Securities, including a determination of the rate or other applicable value of such Underlying Asset(s) by the Calculation Agent in its discretion, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, each of which may have an adverse effect on the value of the Securities. In the event that the valuation day of the Underlying Asset(s) is postponed, the maturity date on which cash settlement or physical delivery is made may be postponed.

**4.5 *Calculation Agent determination in respect of the Underlying Asset(s), adjustment to or early redemption or termination of the Securities and reinvestment risk following such early redemption or termination***

If the Calculation Agent determines that any form of adjustment event in relation to the Underlying Asset(s) has occurred, the Calculation Agent may adjust the terms and conditions of the Securities (without the consent of the purchasers) or may procure the early redemption

or termination of such Securities prior to their scheduled maturity date, in each case, in accordance with such terms and conditions. In the event of such early redemption or termination the Issuer will pay the non-scheduled early repayment amount in respect of such Securities, which may (if specified in the relevant Final Terms) be determined on the basis of market quotations obtained from qualified financial institutions, or where insufficient market quotations are obtained, will be an amount determined by the Calculation Agent to be equal to the fair market value of such Securities immediately prior (and taking into account the circumstances leading to) such early redemption or termination (and the fact that such circumstances are taken into account will tend to reduce any amount payable on the Securities on early redemption or termination). A purchaser of such Securities should be aware that, where the non-scheduled early repayment amount is calculated in accordance with the foregoing, it is likely that such amount will be less than the purchaser's initial investment, and in such case see risk factor, "*1.1 Purchasers of Securities may receive back less than the original invested amount*". Following any such early redemption or termination of Securities, the purchasers of such Securities will generally not be able to reinvest the proceeds at any effective interest rate as high as the interest rate or yield on the Securities being redeemed or terminated and may only be able to do so at a significantly lower rate. Purchasers of Securities should consider reinvestment risk in light of other investments available at that time.

#### 4.6 ***Risks relating to emerging markets***

Where the terms and conditions of the Securities reference one or more emerging market Underlying Asset(s), purchasers of such Securities should be aware that they may be subject to risks in addition to those risks normally associated with an investment relating to the respective type of Underlying Asset. The political and economic situation in countries with emerging economies or stock markets may be undergoing significant evolution and rapid development, and such countries may lack the social, political and economic stability characteristics of more developed countries, which may result in a significant risk of high inflation and currency value fluctuation. Such instability may result from, among other things, authoritarian governments, or military involvement in political and economic decision-making, including changes or attempted changes in governments through extra-constitutional means; popular unrest associated with demands for improved political, economic or social conditions; internal insurgencies; hostile relations with neighbouring countries; and ethnic, religious and racial disaffections or conflict. Some of these countries may have in the past failed to recognise private property rights and have at times nationalised or expropriated the assets of private companies. As a result, the risks from investing in those countries, including the risks of nationalisation or restrictions being imposed on foreign purchasers, expropriation of assets, confiscatory taxation, confiscation or nationalisation of foreign bank deposits or other assets, the introduction of currency controls or other detrimental developments, which may financially impair investments in such countries, may be heightened. Such impairments can, under certain circumstances, last for long periods of time, i.e., weeks or years, and may result in the occurrence of market disruption events which means that no prices will be quoted for the Securities affected by such market disruption events. In addition, unanticipated political or social developments may affect the values of an underlying asset investment in those countries. The small size and inexperience of the securities markets in certain countries and the limited volume of trading in securities may make the underlying assets illiquid and more volatile than investments in more established markets. There may be little financial or accounting information available with respect to local issuers, and it may be difficult as a result to assess the value or prospects of the Underlying Asset(s) and consequently it may be difficult to obtain a value for the Securities.

#### 4.7 ***Use of leverage factors over 100 per cent.***

Where the terms and conditions of the Securities provide that the redemption amount or settlement amount (as applicable) of such Securities is based upon the performance of the Underlying Asset and is multiplied by a leverage factor which is over 100 per cent., the purchaser may participate disproportionately in any positive performance and/or may have a disproportionate exposure to any negative performance of the Underlying Asset. Due to this leverage effect, such Securities will represent a very speculative and risky form of investment since any loss in the value of the Underlying Asset carries the risk of a correspondingly higher loss.

**4.8      *The effect of averaging***

If so provided in the relevant Final Terms, the amount payable (or deliverable) on the Securities (whether at maturity or otherwise) will be based on the arithmetic average of the applicable levels, prices, rates or other values of the Underlying Asset(s) on each of the specified averaging dates, and not the simple performance of the Underlying Asset(s) over the term of the Securities. For example, if the applicable level, price, rate or other value of the particular Underlying Asset(s) dramatically surged on two or more averaging dates, the amount payable on the Securities may be significantly less than it would have been had the amount payable been linked only to the applicable level, price, rate or other value of the Underlying Asset(s) on a single valuation date.

**4.9      *The potential for the value of the Securities to increase may be limited***

If the relevant Final Terms provides that the Securities are subject to a cap, a purchaser's ability to participate in any change in the value of the Underlying Asset(s) over the term of the Securities will be limited, no matter how much the level, price, rate or other applicable value of the Underlying Asset(s) may rise beyond the cap level over the life of the Securities. Accordingly, a purchaser's return on the Securities may be significantly less than if the purchaser had purchased the Underlying Asset(s) directly.

In addition, if the upside participation rate specified in the relevant Final Terms is less than 100 per cent. and at maturity the final level, price, rate or other applicable value of the Underlying Asset(s) exceeds the initial level, price, rate or other applicable value of the Underlying Asset(s), a purchaser's return on the Securities may be significantly less than had the purchaser purchased the Underlying Asset(s) directly. This is because an upside participation rate of less than 100 per cent. will have the effect of reducing a purchaser's exposure to any positive return on the Underlying Asset(s).

**4.10     *Securities with foreign exchange risks***

Where the terms and conditions of the Securities provide that payment under such Securities will be made in a currency which is different from the currency of the Underlying Asset, and such Securities do not have a "quanto feature", the purchasers of such Securities may be exposed not only to the performance of the Underlying Asset but also to the performance of such foreign currency, currency unit or unit of account, which cannot be predicted. Purchasers should be aware that foreign exchange rates are, and have been, highly volatile and determined by supply and demand for currencies in the international foreign exchange markets, which are subject to economic factors, including inflation rates in the countries concerned, interest rate differences between the respective countries, economic forecasts, international political factors, currency convertibility and safety of making financial investments in the currency concerned, speculation and measures taken by governments and central banks (e.g., imposition of regulatory controls or taxes, issuance of a new currency to replace an existing currency, alteration of the exchange rate or exchange characteristics by devaluation or revaluation of a currency or imposition of exchange controls with respect to the exchange or transfer of a specified currency that would affect exchange rates as well as the availability of a specified currency). Foreign exchange fluctuations between a purchaser's home currency and the relevant currency in which the repayment amount of the Securities is denominated may affect purchasers who intend to convert gains or losses from the exercise or sale of Securities into their home currency.

If any Underlying Asset(s) are not denominated in the currency of the Securities and at the same time only the performance of the Underlying Asset(s) in their denominated currency is relevant to the payout on the Securities, such Securities are referred to as currency-protected Securities or Securities with a "quanto" feature. Under such feature, the investment return of the Securities depends only on the performance of the Underlying Asset(s) (in the relevant currency) and any change in the rate of exchange between the currency of the Underlying Asset(s) and the Securities is disregarded. Accordingly, the application of a "quanto" feature means that purchasers of such Securities will not have the benefit of any change in the rate of exchange between the currency of the Underlying Asset(s) and the Securities that would otherwise increase the performance of the Underlying Asset(s) in the absence of such "quanto"

feature. In addition, changes in the relevant exchange rate may indirectly influence the price of the relevant Underlying Asset(s) which, in turn, could have a negative effect on the return on the Securities.

#### 4.11 ***Risks associated with Shares as Underlying Assets***

##### (a) ***Factors affecting the performance of Shares***

The performance of Shares is dependent upon macroeconomic factors, such as interest and price levels on the capital markets, currency developments, political factors as well as company-specific factors such as earnings position, market position, risk situation, shareholder structure and distribution policy.

##### (b) ***Action by issuer of a Share may adversely affect the Securities***

The issuer of a Share will have no involvement in the offer and sale of the Securities and will have no obligation to any purchaser of such Securities. The issuer of a Share may take any actions in respect of such Share without regard to the interests of the purchasers of the Securities, and any of these actions could adversely affect the market value of the Securities.

##### (c) ***Potential Adjustment Events, Extraordinary Events, Change in Law and if applicable, Additional Disruption Events***

The adjustment events referred to in risk factor, "4.5 Calculation Agent determination in respect of the Underlying Asset(s), adjustment to or early redemption or termination of the Securities and reinvestment risk following such early redemption or termination" include, in respect of Shares, Potential Adjustment Events, Extraordinary Events, Change in Law and if applicable, Additional Disruption Events. Potential Adjustment Events include (i) a subdivision, consolidation or re-classification of Shares; (ii) distribution, issue, or dividend of the relevant Shares or other securities; (iii) an extraordinary dividend; (iv) a call of shares that are not fully paid; (v) a repurchase by the issuer, or an affiliate thereof, of the Shares; (vi) a separation of rights from Shares; or (vii) any event having a dilutive or concentrative effect on value of Shares. Extraordinary Events include (i) a delisting of Shares on an exchange; (ii) an insolvency or bankruptcy of the issuer of the Shares; (iii) a merger event entailing the consolidation of Shares with those of another entity; (iv) a nationalisation of the issuer of the Shares or transfer of Shares to a governmental entity; or (v) a tender offer or takeover offer that results in transfer of Shares to another entity. A Change in Law results in the Issuer incurring material costs for performing its obligations under the Securities.

##### (d) ***Physical delivery of assets in lieu of payment of cash amounts***

Where the terms of the Securities provide that, subject to the fulfilment of a particular condition, the Securities shall be redeemed at their maturity by delivering Shares to the purchaser of such Securities, the purchaser will receive such Shares rather than a monetary amount upon maturity. The purchaser will, therefore, be exposed to the issuer of such Shares and the risks associated with such Shares.

The value of each such Share to be delivered multiplied by the number of Shares to be delivered (together with any residual cash amount) to a purchaser may be less than the purchase amount paid by such purchaser for such Securities and the principal amount (if any) of the relevant Securities. In the worst case, the Shares to be delivered may be worthless. See risk factor, "1.1 Purchasers of Securities may receive back less than the original invested amount". Also, prospective purchasers should consider that any fluctuations in the price of the Shares to be delivered after the end of the term of the Securities will be borne by the purchaser of the Securities until the respective actual delivery. This means that a purchaser's actual loss or gain and final return on the Securities can only be determined after delivery of the Shares to such purchaser. Further, purchasers may be subject to certain documentary or stamp taxes in relation to the delivery and/or disposal of Shares.

If the Share to be delivered is a registered share, the rights associated with the Share (e.g. participation in the general meeting, exercise of voting rights, etc.) can generally only be exercised by shareholders who are registered in the share register or a comparable official list

of shareholders of the relevant Share Issuer. The obligation of the Issuer to deliver Shares is limited to the provision of Shares having the characteristics and in the form that allows delivery via an exchange and does not include registration of the purchaser in the share register or in the list of shareholders, and none of the Issuer nor the Calculation Agent nor any other party shall have any liability for any such failure of (or delay in) registration.

Lastly, purchasers should be aware that, in certain circumstances, where the Issuer is obliged to physically deliver one or more shares in order to redeem a Security, the Issuer may elect instead to redeem such Security by way of payment of a cash amount (the Physical Settlement Disruption Amount). Further, under the Guaranty, GSG is only obliged to discharge any obligation to physically deliver Shares by way of a cash payment instead.

4.12 ***Risks associated with Depositary Receipts (comprising American Depositary Receipts ("ADRs") and Global Depositary Receipts ("GDRs")) as Underlying Assets***

(a) ***Exposure to risk that redemption amounts do not reflect direct investment in the shares underlying the Depositary Receipts***

ADRs are instruments issued in the United States of America in the form of share certificates in a portfolio of shares held outside the USA in the country of domicile of the issuer of the underlying shares. GDRs are also instruments in the form of share certificates in a portfolio of shares held in the country of domicile of the issuer of the underlying shares. As a rule they are distinguished from share certificates referred to as ADRs in that they are normally publicly offered and/or issued outside the United States of America.

The redemption amount payable on Securities that reference Depositary Receipts may not reflect the return a purchaser would realise if he or she actually owned the relevant shares underlying the Depositary Receipts and received the dividends paid on those shares because the price of the Depositary Receipts on any specified valuation dates may not take into consideration the value of dividends paid on the underlying shares. Accordingly, purchasers of Securities that reference Depositary Receipts as Underlying Assets may receive a lower payment upon redemption of such Securities than such purchaser would have received if he or she had invested in the shares underlying the Depositary Receipts directly.

(b) ***Exposure to risk of non-recognition of beneficial ownership***

The legal owner of shares underlying the Depositary Receipts is the custodian bank which at the same time is the issuing agent of the Depositary Receipts. Depending on the jurisdiction under which the Depositary Receipts have been issued and the jurisdiction to which the custodian agreement is subject, it is possible that the corresponding jurisdiction will not recognise the purchaser of the Depositary Receipts as the actual beneficial owner of the underlying shares. Particularly in the event that the custodian becomes insolvent or that enforcement measures are taken against the custodian, it is possible that an order restricting free disposition is issued with respect to the shares underlying the Depositary Receipts or that these shares are realised within the framework of an enforcement measure against the custodian. If this is the case, the purchaser of the Depositary Receipt will lose its rights under the underlying shares securitised by the Depositary Receipt. As the Depositary Receipts are an Underlying Asset of the Securities, the Securities based on these Depositary Receipts will become worthless, in which case see risk factor, "1.1 Purchasers of Securities may receive back less than the original invested amount".

(c) ***Exposure to risk of non-distributions***

The issuer of the underlying shares may make distributions in respect of its shares that are not passed on to the purchasers of its Depositary Receipts, which can affect the value of the Depositary Receipts and the Securities.

(d) ***Exposure to adjustments to underlying shares***

Following certain corporate events specified in the Share Linked Conditions and the relevant Final Terms relating to the underlying shares or the issuer of such underlying shares, such as a share-for-share merger where the relevant company is not the surviving entity, the amount



purchasers of the Securities will receive, if any, at maturity of such Securities may be adjusted by the Calculation Agent or the affected underlying shares and Depositary Receipts may be replaced by another reference instrument. The occurrence of such corporate events and the consequential amendments may materially and adversely affect the value of the Securities.

(e) ***Physical delivery of assets in lieu of payment of cash amounts***

Where the Securities include the right of the Issuer, subject to the fulfilment of a particular condition, to redeem the Securities at their maturity by delivering an asset to the purchaser of such Securities, the purchaser will receive such assets rather than a monetary amount upon maturity. The purchaser will, therefore, be exposed to the issuer of such deliverable assets and the risks associated with such assets to be delivered. The purchaser should not assume that he or she will be able to sell such delivered assets for a specific price after the redemption of the Securities, and in particular not for a price corresponding to the amount of capital used to purchase the Securities. Under certain circumstances the delivered assets may only have a very low value or may, in fact, be worthless, in which case see risk factor, "*1.1 Purchasers of Securities may receive back less than the original invested amount*". The purchaser may also be subject to certain documentary or stamp taxes in relation to the delivery and/or disposal of such delivered assets. The holding of such assets instead of the Securities may adversely affect the purchaser's tax position.

4.13 ***Risks associated with Exchange Traded Funds as Underlying Assets***

(a) ***Factors affecting the performance of Exchange Traded Funds***

An Exchange Traded Fund may seek to track the performance of an index (in relation to such Exchange Traded Fund, an "**ETF underlying index**"), or the performance of certain assets, contracts and/or instruments which may be invested in or held by the Exchange Traded Fund. The performance of an Exchange Traded Fund may be dependent upon company-specific factors such as earnings position, market position, risk situation, shareholder structure and distribution policy of the underlying companies that comprise the ETF underlying index of such Exchange Traded Fund, or upon the value of such assets, contracts and/or instruments invested in, held by or tracked by the Exchange Traded Fund as well as macroeconomic factors, such as interest and price levels on the capital markets, currency developments and political factors.

The net asset value of the Shares in an Exchange Traded Fund may be calculated by reference to the levels of the shares of the underlying companies comprising the ETF underlying index of such Exchange Traded Fund, without taking into account the value of dividends paid on those underlying shares (where the Exchange Traded Fund seeks to track the performance of the ETF underlying index), or by reference to the value of such assets, contracts and/or instruments invested in or held by the Exchange Traded Fund as specified in its prospectus or constitutive documents. Therefore, an investment in the Securities which are linked to an Exchange Traded Fund is not the same as a direct investment in any ETF underlying index, or the shares of the underlying companies comprising the ETF underlying index, or any assets, contracts and/or instruments which may be invested in or held by the Exchange Traded Fund and may therefore result in a lower yield than a direct investment in such index or shares.

(b) ***Action by management company, trustee or sponsor of an Exchange Traded Fund may adversely affect the Securities***

The management company, trustee or sponsor of an Exchange Traded Fund will have no involvement in the offer and sale of the Securities and will have no obligation to any purchaser of such Securities. The management company, trustee or sponsor of an Exchange Traded Fund may take any actions in respect of such Exchange Traded Fund without regard to the interests of the purchasers of the Securities, and any of these actions could adversely affect the market value of the Securities.

(c) ***Potential Adjustment Events, Extraordinary Events, Change in Law and if applicable, Additional Disruption Events***

The adjustment events referred to in risk factor, "4.5 Calculation Agent determination in respect of the Underlying Asset(s), adjustment to or early redemption or termination of the Securities and reinvestment risk following such early redemption or termination" include, in respect of an Exchange Traded Fund, Potential Adjustment Events, Extraordinary Events, Change in Law and if applicable, Additional Disruption Events. Potential Adjustment Events include (i) a sub-division, consolidation or re-classification of the Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund; (ii) distribution, issue, or dividend of the relevant Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund or other securities; (iii) an extraordinary dividend; (iv) a call of Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund that are not fully paid; (v) a repurchase by the issuer, or an affiliate thereof, of the Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund; (vi) a separation of rights from Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund; or (vii) any event having a dilutive or concentrative effect on value of Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund. Extraordinary Events include (i) a delisting of Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund on an exchange; (ii) an insolvency or bankruptcy of the issuer of the Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund; (iii) a merger event entailing the consolidation of Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund with those of another entity; (iv) a nationalisation of the issuer of the Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund or transfer of Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund to a governmental entity; (v) a tender offer or takeover offer that results in transfer of Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund to another entity or (vi) a failure by the management company of the Exchange Traded Fund to publish the net asset value of the Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund, and such failure to publish or non-publication will have a material effect on the Securities, as determined by the Calculation Agent, and will be for more than a short period and/or will not be of a temporary nature. A Change in Law results in the Issuer incurring material costs for performing its obligations under the Securities.

(d) ***Physical delivery of assets in lieu of payment of cash amounts***

Where the terms of the Securities provide that, subject to the fulfilment of a particular condition, the Securities shall be redeemed at their maturity by delivering Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund to the purchaser of such Securities, the purchasers will receive such Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund rather than a monetary amount upon maturity. The purchaser will, therefore, be exposed to the issuer of such Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund and the risks associated with such Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund. The purchaser should not assume that he or she will be able to sell such Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund for a specific price after the redemption of the Securities, and in particular not for a price corresponding to the amount of capital used to purchase the Securities. Under certain circumstances the Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund may only have a very low value or may, in fact, be worthless, in which case see risk factor, "1.1 Purchasers of Securities may receive back less than the original invested amount". The purchaser may also be subject to certain documentary or stamp taxes in relation to the delivery and/or disposal of such Shares in the Exchange Traded Fund.

(e) ***Adjustments by the Calculation Agent***

If at any time the index underlying the Exchange Traded Fund is changed in a material respect, or if the Exchange Traded Fund in any other way is modified so that it does not, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, fairly represent the net asset value of the Exchange Traded Fund had those changes or modifications not been made, then, from and after that time, the Calculation Agent will make those calculations and adjustments as, in the good faith judgment of the Calculation Agent, may be necessary in order to arrive at a price of an exchange traded fund comparable to the Exchange Traded Fund or the Substitute Share (as defined in the Share Linked Conditions), as the case may be, as if those changes or modifications had not been made, and calculate the closing prices with reference to the Exchange Traded Fund or the Substitute Share, as adjusted. Accordingly, if the Exchange Traded Fund is modified in a way that the price of its shares is a fraction of what it would have been if it had not been modified (for example, due to a split or a reverse split), then the Calculation Agent will adjust the price in order to arrive at a price of the Exchange Traded Fund as if it had not been modified (for example, as if the split or the reverse split had not occurred). The Calculation Agent also may determine that no adjustment is required by the modification of the method of calculation.

#### 4.14 ***Risks associated with Indices as Underlying Assets***

##### (a) ***Factors affecting the performance of indices***

Equity indices are comprised of a synthetic portfolio of shares, and as such, the performance of an Index is dependent upon the macroeconomic factors relating to the shares that underlie such Index, such as interest and price levels on the capital markets, currency developments, political factors as well as company-specific factors such as earnings position, market position, risk situation, shareholder structure and distribution policy.

##### (b) ***Exposure to risk that redemption amounts do not reflect direct investment in underlying shares***

The redemption amount payable on Securities that reference Indices may not reflect the return a purchaser would realise if he or she actually owned the relevant shares of any of the companies comprising the components of the Index and received the dividends paid on those shares because the closing index level on any specified valuation dates may reflect the prices of such index components on such dates without taking into consideration the value of dividends paid on those shares. Accordingly, purchasers of Securities that reference Indices as Underlying Assets may receive a lower payment upon redemption of such Securities than any return such purchaser would have received if he or she had invested in the components of the Index directly.

##### (c) ***Loss of return of dividends in respect of most Securities linked to equity indices***

The rules governing the composition and calculation of the relevant underlying Index might stipulate that dividends distributed on its components do not lead to a rise in the index level, for example, if it is a "price" index, which may lead to a decrease in the index level if all other circumstances remain the same. As a result, in such cases the purchasers of Securities in respect of which an Underlying Asset is such type of Index will not participate in dividends or other distributions paid on the components comprising the Index. Even if the rules of the relevant underlying Index provide that distributed dividends or other distributions of the components are reinvested in the Index and therefore result in raising its level, in some circumstances the dividends or other distributions may not be fully reinvested in such Index.

##### (d) ***Change in composition or discontinuance of an Index***

The sponsor of any Index can add, delete or substitute the components of such Index or make other methodological changes that could change the level of one or more components. The changing of components of any Index may affect the level of such Index as a newly added company may perform significantly worse or better than the company it replaces, which in turn may affect the payments made by the Issuer to the purchasers of the Securities. The sponsor of any such Index may also alter, discontinue or suspend calculation or dissemination of such Index. The sponsor of an Index will have no involvement in the offer and sale of the Securities and will have no obligation to any purchaser of such Securities. The sponsor of an Index may take any actions in respect of such Index without regard to the interests of the purchasers of the Securities, and any of these actions could adversely affect the market value of the Securities.

##### (e) ***Factors affecting the performance of Securities linked to a dividend index***

Where the Securities reference an index that is linked to the dividends of certain shares, the purchasers of such Securities are exposed to the declaration and payment of such dividends (if any) by the issuers of such shares, and such declaration and payment of dividends (if any) may be subject to unpredictable change over time.

##### (f) ***Risks associated with exchange traded futures and options contracts on underlying indices (collectively, "index-linked derivatives contracts")***

Where the Securities reference index-linked derivatives contracts on one or more Indices, the purchasers of such Securities are exposed to the performance of the index-linked derivatives contracts in respect of such Indices. The interest or redemption amount payable on Securities

that reference index-linked derivatives contracts on Indices are exposed to the performance of the index-linked derivatives contracts, as well as the underlying Index, and in particular in the case of futures contracts, to the level of the underlying Index when the final official settlement price or the daily settlement price of the futures contract is not published.

An options contract linked to an Index is one where the buyer of the options contract purchases the right to a potential payment from the seller of the option, depending on the level of the Index. The sum that a buyer of an options contract pays to purchase the options contract is usually known as the premium, and options contracts will usually be call options, where the buyer will receive payment under the options contract if the level of the Index on one or more specified dates is above a specified level (known as the strike), or put options, where the buyer will receive payment under the options contract if the level of the Index on one or more specified dates is below the strike.

A cash settled futures contract linked to an Index is one where, depending on the level of the Index, the buyer of the futures contract either has a right to receive a payment (known as the settlement amount) from the seller of the futures contract or an obligation to make a payment to the seller of the futures contract. If the level of the Index on one or more specified dates (the "settlement price") is greater than a specified level in the contract (the "forward price"), then the seller shall pay to the buyer the difference between the settlement price and the forward price. If the settlement price is less than the forward price, the buyer of the futures contract will make a payment to the seller of the futures contract equal to such difference.

Index-linked derivatives contracts may be traded on the relevant futures or options exchanges and may be standardised with respect to the number of futures or options covered by one index-linked derivatives contract, the term of each index-linked derivatives contract, the dates on which various index-linked derivatives contracts expire and the manner in which the settlement amount is calculated.

There may be a correlation between the day to day change in the level of an Index and the price at which an index-linked derivatives contract trades on the relevant futures or options exchange. However, the expectations of dealers in index-linked derivatives contracts of the level of the Index on the date(s) on which the settlement amount of an index-linked derivatives contract is determined may also have an impact on the price of an index-linked derivatives contract on the Index. For example, if the expectation of dealers in options contracts is that the level of the Index will be lower on a future date when the settlement amount of the options contract is to be determined than the current level of the Index, this may result in the price of the options contract falling (in the case of a call option) or rising (in the case of a put option) even where the current level of the Index is rising. Moreover, because the settlement amount of many options contracts is a multiple of the difference between the level of the Index on a future date and the strike, a relatively small change in the level of an Index may result in a proportionately much larger change in the price of the options contract.

If the expectation of dealers in futures contracts is that the settlement price of the Index on the date(s) on which the settlement amount of the futures contract is determined will be lower than the forward price of the Index specified in the contract, this may result in the price of the futures contract falling (in the case of buyers of the futures contract) or rising (in the case of sellers of the futures contract) even where the current level of the Index is rising. Moreover, because the settlement amount of many futures contracts is a multiple of the difference between the settlement price and the forward price, a relatively small change in the level of an Index may result in a proportionately much larger change in the price of the futures contract.

#### 4.15 ***Risks associated with Commodities and Commodity Indices as Underlying Assets***

##### (a) ***Factors affecting the performance of Commodities or Commodity Indices***

Commodities comprise physical commodities, which need to be stored and transported, and commodity contracts, which are agreements either to buy or sell a set amount of a physical commodity at a predetermined price and delivery period (which is generally referred to as a delivery month), or to make and receive a cash payment based on changes in the price of the physical commodity.

Commodity contracts may be traded on regulated specialised futures exchanges (such as futures contracts) or may be traded directly between market participants "over-the-counter" (such as swaps and forward contracts) on trading facilities that are subject to lesser degrees of regulation or, in some cases, no substantive regulation.

The performance of commodity contracts are correlated with, but may be different from, the performance of physical commodities. Commodity contracts are normally traded at a discount or a premium to the spot prices of the physical commodity. The difference between the spot prices of the physical commodities and the futures prices of the commodity contracts, is, on one hand, due to adjusting the spot price by related expenses (warehousing, transport, insurance, etc.) and, on the other hand, due to different methods used to evaluate general factors affecting the spot and the futures markets. In addition, and depending on the commodity, there can be significant differences in the liquidity of the spot and the futures markets.

The performance of a commodity, and consequently the corresponding commodity contract, is dependent upon various factors, including supply and demand, liquidity, weather conditions and natural disasters, direct investment costs, location and changes in tax rates as set out in more detail below. Commodity prices are more volatile than other asset categories, making investments in commodities riskier and more complex than other investments.

- (i) ***Supply and demand*** - The planning and management of commodities supplies is very time-consuming. This means that the scope for action on the supply side is limited and it is not always possible to adjust production swiftly to take account of demand. Demand can also vary on a regional basis. Transport costs for commodities in regions where these are needed also affect their prices. The fact that some commodities take a cyclical pattern, such as agricultural products which are only produced at certain times of the year, can also result in major price fluctuations.
- (ii) ***Liquidity*** - Not all commodities markets are liquid and able to quickly and adequately react to changes in supply and demand. The fact that there are only a few market participants in the commodities markets means that speculative investments can have negative consequences and may distort prices.
- (iii) ***Weather conditions and natural disasters*** - Unfavourable weather conditions can influence the supply of certain commodities for the entire year. This kind of supply crisis can lead to severe and unpredictable price fluctuations. Diseases and epidemics can also influence the prices of agricultural commodities.
- (iv) ***Direct investment costs*** - Direct investments in commodities involve storage, insurance and tax costs. Moreover, no interest or dividends are paid on Commodities. The total returns from investments in commodities are therefore influenced by these factors.
- (v) ***Governmental programs and policies, national and international political, military and economic events and trading activities in commodities and related contracts*** - Commodities are often produced in emerging market countries, with demand coming principally from industrialised nations. The political and economic situation is however far less stable in many emerging market countries than in the developed world. They are generally much more susceptible to the risks of rapid political change and economic setbacks. Political crises can affect purchaser confidence, which can as a consequence affect commodity prices. Armed conflicts can also impact on the supply and demand for certain commodities. It is also possible for industrialised nations to impose embargos on imports and exports of goods and services. This can directly and indirectly impact commodity prices. Furthermore, numerous commodity producers have joined forces to establish organisations or cartels in order to regulate supply and influence prices.
- (vi) ***Changes in tax rates*** - Changes in tax rates and customs duties may have a positive or a negative impact on the profitability margins of commodities producers. When these costs are passed on to purchasers, these changes will affect prices.

These factors may affect in varying ways the value of a Security linked to a Commodity or a Commodity Index.

(b) ***Disruption Event – Limit Prices***

The commodity markets are subject to temporary distortions or other disruptions due to various factors, including the lack of liquidity in the markets and government regulation and intervention. In addition, U.S. futures exchanges and some foreign exchanges have regulations that limit the amount of fluctuation in contract prices which may occur during a single business day. These limits are generally referred to as "daily price fluctuation limits" and the maximum or minimum price of a contract on any given day as a result of these limits is referred to as a "limit price". Once the limit price has been reached in a particular contract, trading in the contract will follow the regulations set forth by the trading facility on which the contract is listed. Limit prices may have the effect of precluding trading in a particular contract, which could adversely affect the value of a commodity contract or a commodity index. The disruption events referred to in the risk factor, "4.4 *Postponement or alternative provisions for determination of the Underlying Asset(s)*", include, in respect of commodities and commodity indices, the occurrence of "limit prices".

(c) ***Legal and regulatory changes***

Commodities are subject to legal and regulatory regimes that may change in ways that could affect the ability of the Issuer and/or any entities acting on behalf of the Issuer engaged in any underlying or hedging transactions in respect of the Issuer's obligations in relation to the Securities to hedge the Issuer's obligations under the Securities, and/or could lead to the early redemption of the Securities or to the adjustment to the Conditions of the Securities.

Commodities are subject to legal and regulatory regimes in the United States and, in some cases, in other countries that may change in ways that could negatively affect the value of the Securities.

The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act ("**Dodd-Frank**"), which provides for substantial changes to the regulation of the futures and over-the-counter ("**OTC**") derivative markets, was enacted in July 2010. Dodd-Frank requires regulators, including the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("**CFTC**"), to adopt regulations in order to implement many of the requirements of the legislation. While the CFTC has proposed certain of the required regulations and has begun adopting certain final regulations, the ultimate nature and scope of the regulations cannot yet be determined. Under Dodd-Frank, the CFTC has approved a final rule to impose limits on the size of positions that can be held by market participants in futures and OTC derivatives on physical commodities. While certain portions of the rules have not yet taken effect, and their conclusive impact is not yet fully known, these limits will likely restrict the ability of certain market participants to participate in the commodity, future and swap markets and markets for other OTC derivatives on physical commodities to the extent and at the levels that they have in the past. These factors may also have the effect of reducing liquidity and increasing costs in these markets, as well as affecting the structure of the markets in other ways. In addition, these legislative and regulatory changes will likely increase the level of regulation of markets and market participants, and therefore the costs of participating in the commodities, futures and OTC derivative markets. Without limitation, these changes will require many OTC derivative transactions to be executed on regulated exchanges or trading platforms and cleared through regulated clearing houses. Swap dealers are also required to be registered and will be subject to various regulatory requirements, including, but not limited to, capital and margin requirements. The various legislative and regulatory changes, and the resulting increased costs and regulatory oversight requirements, may result in market participants being required to, or deciding to, limit their trading activities, which could cause reductions in market liquidity and increases in market volatility. These consequences could adversely affect the price of a Commodity, or the return on a Commodity Index, which could in turn adversely affect the return on and value of the Securities. In addition, other regulatory bodies have proposed or may propose in the future legislation similar to those proposed by Dodd-Frank or other legislation containing other restrictions that could adversely impact the liquidity of and increase costs of participating in the commodities markets. For example, the European Commission published a proposal to

update the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive (MiFID II) and Markets in Financial Instruments Regulation (MiFIR), which proposes regulations to establish position limits (or an alternative equivalent) on trading commodity derivatives, although the full scope of any final rules and the degree to which member states will be required or permitted to adopt these regulations or additional regulations remains unclear. If these regulations are adopted or other regulations are adopted in the future, they could have an adverse impact on the price of a Commodity, or the return on a Commodity Index, and the return on and value of the Securities. In addition, the adoption of or change to certain regulations may result in the occurrence of a "Change in Law" under the Commodity Linked Conditions entitling the Issuer to amend the Conditions of the Securities or redeem or terminate the Securities early.

(d) ***Factors affecting prices of electricity***

Electricity prices are primarily determined by fundamental factors such as supply (for example, water levels in reservoirs, the cost of fuel and available generation capacity in the market (including the introduction of new generation into the market)), demand (which depends on electricity use, which in turn can be affected by a range of variables including technological advancement, energy efficiency schemes, economic conditions, energy prices and weather conditions) and the price of carbon dioxide emission allowances.

The price of electricity may be volatile, and, for example, may fluctuate substantially if natural disasters, such as freak weather conditions, affect the demand for electricity or if other factors such as war, accidents or acts of terrorism affect the supply, production or transmission of electricity. The options for storing electricity are few and expensive and, therefore, sudden and dramatic increases in the price of electricity can occur when demand increases. Failures at power plants, elements of the transmission system and on submarine cables between countries can affect electricity prices.

Electricity prices can also be affected by changes in the regulatory environment. The introduction of new legislation can impact the way the industry operates, produces energy or can result in the imposition of costs such as carbon or other fuel levies. These changes can affect electricity prices.

(e) ***Factors affecting prices of energy commodities***

Global energy commodity prices are primarily affected by the global demand for and supply of these commodities, but are also significantly influenced by speculative actions and by currency exchange rates. In addition, prices for energy commodities are affected by governmental programs and policies, national and international political and economic events, changes in interest and exchange rates, the general level of equity markets, trading activities in commodities and related contracts, trade, fiscal, monetary and exchange control policies and with respect to oil, drought, floods, weather, government intervention, environmental policies, embargoes and tariffs. Demand for refined petroleum products by consumers, as well as the agricultural, manufacturing and transportation industries, affects the price of energy commodities. Sudden disruptions in the supplies of energy commodities, such as those caused by war, natural events, accidents or acts of terrorism, may cause prices of energy commodity futures contracts to become extremely volatile and unpredictable. Also, sudden and dramatic changes in the futures market may occur, for example, upon a cessation of hostilities that may exist in countries producing energy commodities, the introduction of new or previously withheld supplies into the market or the introduction of substitute products or commodities. In particular, supplies of crude oil may increase or decrease depending on, among other factors, production decisions by the Organisation of the Petroleum Exporting Countries ("**OPEC**") and other crude oil producers. Crude oil prices are determined with significant influence by OPEC, which has the capacity to influence oil prices worldwide because its members possess a significant portion of the world's oil supply. Crude oil prices are generally more volatile and subject to dislocation than prices of other commodities. Demand for energy commodities such as oil and gasoline is generally linked to economic activity, and will tend to reflect general economic conditions.

(f) ***Factors affecting agricultural commodities***

The markets for futures contracts on agricultural commodities are generally less liquid than the markets for contracts on other categories of commodities, such as energy commodities. The greater illiquidity of contracts on such commodities could adversely affect the prices of such commodities and therefore the returns on any Securities linked to Underlying Asset(s) comprising such commodities. In addition, the CFTC imposes limits on the size of positions in contracts on agricultural commodities that may be held or controlled by one trader for speculative purposes. In contrast, many other types of commodities are either not subject to position limits at all or are subject to limits established by the exchanges, rather than by the CFTC (although position limits on other commodities will in the near future become subject to position limits established by the CFTC as well, as discussed above). The CFTC's position limits on contracts on agricultural commodities could restrict the sizes of positions held by many market participants, which could further constrain liquidity.

Prices of agricultural commodities may be affected by certain factors to a greater extent than other commodity sectors. The prices of agricultural commodities and the futures contracts tied to those commodities, are affected by a variety of factors, including weather, governmental programs and policies, outbreaks of disease and epidemics or other unanticipated natural disasters, the seasonality of supply and demand, transportation and distribution considerations. Agricultural products which are only produced at certain times of the year can also result in major price fluctuations. While all commodity prices are affected by some or all of these factors, they may have a greater impact on the prices of agricultural commodities and the futures contracts tied to those commodities.

4.16 ***Risks associated with Commodity Indices as Underlying Assets***

(a) ***Factors affecting the performance of Commodity Indices***

Commodity Indices track the performance of a synthetic production-weighted basket of commodity contracts on certain physical commodities. The level of Commodity Indices replicates an actual investment in commodity contracts, and therefore goes up or down depending on the overall performance of the weighted basket of commodity contracts. Although Commodity Indices track the performance of the commodity markets, in a manner generally similar to the way in which an index of equity securities tracks the performance of the share market, there are important differences between a Commodity Index and an equity index. First, an equity index typically weights the shares in the index based on market capitalisation, while the commodities included in a Commodity Index are typically, though not always, weighted based on their world production levels and the dollar value of those levels with the exception of any sub-index of a Commodity Index based upon such sub-index. Second, unlike shares, commodity contracts expire periodically and, in order to maintain an investment in commodity contracts, it is necessary from time to time to "roll" out of such commodity contracts before they expire and "roll" into longer-dated commodity contracts. A Commodity Index may from time-to-time "roll" commodity contracts for reasons other than imminent expiration and in some such cases "roll" into nearer-dated commodity contracts. This feature of a Commodity Index, which is discussed below – see risk factor "4.16(d) *Exposure to "Rolling" and its impact on the performance of a Commodity Index*", has important implications for changes in the value of a Commodity Index. Finally, the performance of a Commodity Index is dependent upon the macroeconomic factors relating to the commodities that underpin the commodities contracts included in such Commodity Index, such as supply and demand, liquidity, weather conditions and natural disasters, direct investment costs, location and changes in tax rates – see the risk factor, "4.15(a) *Factors affecting the performance of Commodities or Commodity Indices*". The performance of commodity contracts in one sector may offset the performance of commodity contracts in another sector.

While holding an inventory of physical commodities may have certain economic benefits (for example, a refinery could use a reserve of crude oil for the continuation of its operations), it also poses administrative burdens and costs, including those arising from the need to store or transport physical commodities. These requirements and costs may prove unattractive to purchasers who are interested solely in the price movement of commodities. Commodity



contracts permit a purchaser to obtain exposure to the prices of commodities without directly incurring these requirements and costs. However, a purchaser in commodity contracts, or in an index of commodity contracts, can be indirectly exposed to these costs, which may be reflected in the prices of the commodity contracts and therefore in the level of a Commodity Index. In addition, the fact that commodity contracts have publicly available prices allows calculation of an index based on these prices. The use of commodity contracts, therefore, allows the Commodity Index sponsor, to separate the exposure to price changes from the ownership of the underlying physical commodity, and thus allow participation in the upside and downside movement of commodity prices independently of the physical commodity itself.

- (b) ***Exposure to risk that if the price of the underlying physical commodities increases, the level of the Commodity Index will not necessarily also increase - redemption amounts in respect of Securities that reference Commodity Indices do not reflect direct investment in physical commodities or commodity contracts***

If the price of the underlying physical commodities increases, the level of the Commodity Index, will not necessarily also increase. The redemption amount payable on Securities that reference a Commodity Index is linked to the performance of such Commodity Index which in turn tracks the performance of the basket of commodity contracts included in such Commodity Index, rather than individual physical commodities themselves. Changes in the prices of commodity contracts should generally track changes in the prices of the underlying physical commodities, but, as described above, the prices of commodity contracts might from time to time move in ways or to an extent that differ from movements in physical commodity prices. Therefore, the prices of a particular commodity may go up but the level of the Commodity Index may not change in the same way.

Accordingly, purchasers of Securities that reference Commodity Indices as Underlying Assets may receive a lower payment upon redemption of such Securities than such purchaser would have received if he or she had invested directly in commodities underlying such Commodity Indices or a Security whose redemption amount was based upon the spot price of physical commodities or commodity contracts that were scheduled to expire on the maturity date of the Securities.

- (c) ***Exposure to commodity futures contracts through an investment in Securities that reference Commodity Indices compared to "spot" prices***

It is typical in commodity markets to take the price of the first-nearby commodity futures contract with respect to a commodity (that is, as of a given date, the commodity futures contract first to expire following such date) as a reference for the "spot" price of such commodity. Over time such "spot" price will vary for two reasons. Firstly, the price of the first-nearby commodity futures contract will vary over time due to market fluctuations. Secondly, when the commodity futures contract which is considered to be the first-nearby contract changes from contract expiration "X" to contract expiration "Y" (as contract expiration "X" is approaching expiry), there is a discrete change in the price of the "prevailing" first-nearby commodity futures contract. If contract expiration "Y" is trading at a premium to contract expiration "X" (referred to as a "contango" market, as described in further detail below), the discrete change will represent a "jump" in the "spot" price. If contract expiration "Y" is trading at a discount to contract expiration "X" (referred to as a "backwardated" market, as described in further detail below) the discrete change will represent a "drop" in the "spot" price.

Since such "jump" or "drop" does not correspond to a change in price of any given commodity futures contract, these economics cannot be captured by a futures-linked investment such as a Commodity Index. Therefore, all other things being equal (in particular, assuming no change in the relative price of the various contract expirations with respect to the relevant commodity futures contract), in a "contango" market a long-only futures-linked investment may be expected to underperform the "spot" price (due to not capturing the "jump" in spot price) and in a "backwardated" market a long-only futures-linked investment may be expected to outperform the "spot" price (due to not capturing the "drop" in spot price).

Accordingly, purchasers of Securities that reference Commodity Indices as Underlying Assets may receive a lower payment upon redemption of such Securities than such purchaser would have received if he or she had invested directly in commodities underlying such Commodity Indices or a Security whose redemption amount was based upon the spot price of physical commodities or commodity contracts that were scheduled to expire on the maturity date of the Securities.

(d) ***Exposure to "Rolling" and its impact on the performance of a Commodity Index***

(i) ***What does "Rolling" a Commodity Contract mean?***

Generally, a Commodity Index will, from time-to-time, shift exposure from one commodity contract to another commodity contract on the same underlying commodity but with a different expiration (this is referred to as "rolling" the commodity contract). In particular, since any commodity contract has a predetermined expiration date on which trading of the commodity contract ceases, holding a commodity contract until expiration would result in delivery of the underlying physical commodity or the requirement to make or receive a cash settlement. Therefore if a Commodity Index is exposed to a commodity contract which is approaching expiration, such Commodity Index will typically roll such exposure to a commodity contract with a later expiration date. This would allow an actual purchaser to maintain an investment position without receiving delivery of physical commodities or making or receiving a cash settlement. As Commodity Indices replicate an actual investment in commodity contracts, it takes into account the rolling of commodity contracts included in such Commodity Indices. Specifically, as the composition of the Commodity Index changes from one commodity futures contract to another, the Commodity Index is calculated as if the former contract is sold and the proceeds of that sale are used to purchase the latter commodity contract.

(i) ***What does Backwardation mean?***

When the price of a near-dated commodity contract is greater than the price of the longer-dated commodity contract, the market for such contracts is referred to as in "**backwardation**".

(ii) ***What does Contango mean?***

When the price of a near-dated commodity contract is lower than the price of the longer-dated commodity contract, the market for such contracts is referred to as in "**contango**".

(e) ***Prices of commodity contracts underlying a Commodity Index may change unpredictably, affecting the market price of Securities linked to such Commodity Index in unforeseeable ways***

Trading in commodities has been and can be extremely volatile. Commodity prices are affected by a variety of factors that are unpredictable, including, without limitation, changes in supply and demand relationships, weather, governmental programs and policies, national and international political, military, terrorist and economic events, fiscal, monetary and exchange control programs, changes in interest and exchange rates and changes, suspensions or disruptions of market trading activities in commodities and related contracts.

These factors may affect the value of Securities linked to a Commodity Index in varying ways, and different factors may cause the value of different commodities underlying a Commodity Index and the volatilities of their prices, to move in inconsistent directions and at inconsistent rates.

(f) ***Change in composition or discontinuance of a Commodity Index***

A Commodity Index sponsor is responsible for the composition, calculation and maintenance of such Commodity Index. The sponsor of a Commodity Index will have no involvement in the offer and sale of the Securities and will have no obligation to any purchaser of such Securities. The sponsor of a Commodity Index may take any actions in respect of such

Commodity Index without regard to the interests of the purchasers of the Securities, and any of these actions could adversely affect the market value of the Securities.

The sponsor of any Commodity Index can add, delete or substitute the commodity contracts of such Commodity Index or make other methodological changes that could change the weighting of one or more commodity contracts, such as rebalancing the commodities in the Commodity Index. The composition of a Commodity Index may change over time as additional commodity contracts satisfy the eligibility criteria or commodity contracts currently included in such Commodity Index fail to satisfy such criteria. Such changes to the composition of the Commodity Index may affect the level of such Commodity Index as a newly added commodity contract may perform significantly worse or better than the commodity contract it replaces, which in turn, may affect the payments made by the Issuer to the purchasers of the Securities. The sponsor of any such Commodity Index may also alter, discontinue or suspend calculation or dissemination of such Commodity Index. In such circumstances, the Calculation Agent would have the discretion to make determinations with respect to the level of the Commodity Index for the purposes of calculating the amount payable on redemption or exercise of the Securities.

(g) ***A Commodity Index may include commodity contracts that are not traded on regulated futures exchanges***

A Commodity Index may not always include exclusively regulated futures contracts and could at varying times include over-the-counter contracts (such as swaps and forward contracts) traded on trading facilities that are subject to lesser degrees of regulation or, in some cases, no substantive regulation. As a result, trading in such contracts, and the manner in which prices and volumes are reported by the relevant trading facilities, may not be subject to the same provisions of, and the protections afforded by, the U.S. Commodity Exchange Act of 1936, as amended, or other applicable statutes and related regulations, that govern trading on U.S. regulated futures exchanges or similar statutes and regulations that govern trading on regulated U.K. futures exchanges. In addition, many electronic trading facilities have only recently initiated trading and do not have significant trading histories. As a result, the trading of contracts on such facilities and the inclusion of such contracts in a Commodity Index may be subject to certain risks not presented by most U.S. or U.K. exchange-traded futures contracts, including risks related to the liquidity and price histories of the relevant contracts.

(h) ***Disruption Event – Continuation of calculation of Commodity Index Level by Sponsor***

If a disruption event referred to in the risk factor "4.4 Postponement or alternative provisions for determination of the Underlying Asset(s)" occurs with respect to any commodity contract included in a Commodity Index, the adjustment provisions included in the terms and conditions of the Securities will apply, including the determination by the Calculation Agent of the value of the relevant disrupted commodity contract underlying the Commodity Index, and in turn the level of such Commodity Index on the date specified in such Securities. However, regardless of the disruption event, the sponsor of the Commodity Index may continue to calculate and publish the level of such Commodity Index. In such circumstances, purchasers of the Securities should be aware that the level of the Commodity Index, determined by the Calculation Agent upon the occurrence of a disruption event, may not reflect the level of the Commodity Index as calculated and published by the sponsor of such Commodity Index for the relevant valuation date, nor would the Calculation Agent be willing to settle, unwind or otherwise using any such published level while a disruption event is occurring with respect to any commodity contract included in a Commodity Index.

(i) ***Data sourcing and calculation risks associated with a Commodity Index and the commodity contracts underlying a Commodity Index may adversely affect the value of the Commodity Index***

The closing level of a Commodity Index or the prices of commodity contracts underlying such Commodity Index will be calculated based on price data that are subject to potential errors in data sources or other errors that may affect the closing levels published by the relevant sponsor of a Commodity Index or the prices published by the relevant price source(s) for such underlying commodity contracts, as applicable. Also, there may be errors in any other data

sourced by the sponsor of a Commodity Index. Such errors could adversely affect the closing level of the Commodity Index on any given day, which could in turn have an adverse affect on the value of the Securities and any amount payable under the Securities. There can be no assurance that any error or discrepancy on the part of any data source or sponsor will be corrected or revised or that the sponsor of a Commodity Index will incorporate any such correction or revision into the calculation of such Commodity Index. The sponsor of a Commodity Index makes no representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the correctness or completeness of that information and takes no responsibility for the accuracy of such data or the impact of any inaccuracy of such data on the relevant level of such Commodity Index, or on the value of any commodity contracts included in such Commodity Index.

**4.17 *Risks associated with foreign exchange rates as Underlying Assets***

The performance of foreign exchange rates, currency units or units of account is dependent upon the supply and demand for currencies in the international foreign exchange markets, which are subject to economic factors, including inflation rates in the countries concerned, interest rate differences between the respective countries, economic forecasts, international political factors, currency convertibility and safety of making financial investments in the currency concerned, speculation and measures taken by governments and central banks. Such measures include, without limitation, imposition of regulatory controls or taxes, issuance of a new currency to replace an existing currency, alteration of the exchange rate or exchange characteristics by devaluation or revaluation of a currency or imposition of exchange controls with respect to the exchange or transfer of a specified currency that would affect exchange rates as well as the availability of a specified currency.

**4.18 *Risks associated with Inflation Indices and other inflation measurements as Underlying Assets***

Where the Securities reference inflation indices, consumer price indices or other formulae linked to a measure of inflation as Underlying Assets, the purchasers of such Securities are exposed to the performance of such inflation indices or other measurement formulae, which may be subject to significant fluctuations that may not correlate with other indices and may not correlate perfectly with the rate of inflation experienced by purchasers of the Securities in such jurisdiction. Payments to be made under the Securities may be based on a calculation made by reference to an inflation index for a month which is several months prior to the date of payment on the Securities and therefore could be substantially different from the level of inflation at the time of the payment on the Securities.

**4.19 *Risks associated with Interest Rates as Underlying Assets***

The performance of interest rates is dependent upon a number of factors, including supply and demand on the international money markets, which are influenced by measures taken by governments and central banks, as well as speculations and other macroeconomic factors.

The London Inter-Bank Offered Rate ("**LIBOR**") is currently being reformed, including (i) the replacement of the administrator, (ii) a reduction in the number of currencies and tenors for which LIBOR is calculated, and (iii) changes in the way that LIBOR is calculated, by compelling more banks to provide LIBOR submissions and basing these submissions on actual transactions data. Investors should be aware that:

- (i) any of these changes or any other changes to LIBOR could affect the level of the published rate, including to cause it to be lower and/or more volatile than it would otherwise be;
- (ii) if the applicable rate of interest is calculated with reference to a currency or tenor which is discontinued, such rate of interest may then be determined by the Calculation Agent in its discretion; and
- (iii) the administrator of LIBOR will not have any involvement in the Securities and may take any actions in respect of LIBOR without regard to the effect of such actions on the Securities.

Any of the above could have a material adverse effect on the value of, and the amount payable or deliverable under, any Securities which are linked to a LIBOR rate.

Investors should also note that the Euro Interbank Offered Rate ("**EURIBOR**") and other so-called "benchmarks" have also been the subject of increased scrutiny and proposals for reform by a number of international authorities and other bodies. Whether any of these proposals will be implemented is currently unclear. However, as with changes to LIBOR, any significant changes to EURIBOR or other benchmark could have a material adverse effect on the value of, and the amount payable or deliverable under, any Securities which are linked to a EURIBOR rate or other benchmark (as applicable).

#### 4.20 ***Risks associated with baskets comprised of various constituents as Underlying Assets***

##### (a) ***Exposure to performance of basket and its underlying constituents***

Where the Securities reference a basket of assets as Underlying Assets, the purchasers of such Securities are exposed to the performance of such basket. The purchasers will bear the risk that such performance cannot be predicted and is determined by macroeconomic factors relating to the constituents that comprise such basket, see, as applicable, "*4.11 Risks associated with Shares as Underlying Assets*", "*4.14 Risks associated with Indices as Underlying Assets*", "*4.15 Risks associated with Commodities and Commodity Indices as Underlying Assets*", "*4.17 Risks associated with foreign exchange rates as Underlying Assets*", "*4.18 Risks associated with Inflation Indices and other inflation measurements as Underlying Assets*" and "*4.19 Risks associated with Interest Rates as Underlying Assets*".

##### (b) ***Lesser number of basket constituents***

The performance of a basket that includes a lesser number of basket constituents will be more affected by changes in the value of any particular basket constituent included therein than a basket that includes a greater number of basket constituents.

##### (c) ***Unequal weighting of basket constituents***

The performance of a basket that gives greater weight to some basket constituents will be more affected by changes in the value of any such particular basket constituent included therein than a basket that gives relatively equal weight to each basket constituent.

##### (d) ***High correlation of basket constituents could have a significant effect on amounts payable***

Correlation of the basket constituents indicates the level of interdependence among the individual basket constituents with respect to their performance. Correlation has a value ranging from "-1" to "+1", whereby a correlation of "+1", i.e. a high positive correlation, means that the performance of the basket constituents always moves in the same direction. A correlation of "-1", i.e. a high negative correlation, means that the performance of the basket constituents is always diametrically opposed. A correlation of "0" indicates that it is not possible to make a statement on the relationship between the basket constituents. If, for example, all of the basket constituents originate from the same sector and the same country, a high positive correlation can generally be assumed. Correlation may fall however, for example when the company whose shares are included in the basket are engaged in intense competition for market shares and the same markets. Where the Securities are subject to high correlation, any move in the performance of the basket constituents will exaggerate the performance of the Securities.

##### (e) ***Negative performance of a basket constituent may outweigh a positive performance of one or more basket constituents***

Purchasers of Securities must be aware that even in the case of a positive performance of one or more basket constituents, the performance of the basket as a whole may be negative if the performance of the other basket constituents is negative to a greater extent.

(f) ***Change in composition of basket***

Where the Securities grant the Calculation Agent the right, in certain circumstances, to adjust the composition of the basket after the Securities have been issued, the purchaser may not assume that the composition of the basket will remain constant during the term of the Securities. Purchasers should be aware that the replacement basket constituent may perform differently to the outgoing basket constituent, which may have an adverse effect on the performance of the basket.

5. **Risks associated with conflicts of interest between Goldman Sachs and purchasers of Securities**

Goldman Sachs will be subject to various conflicts of interest in respect of an issuance of Securities as set out below:

5.1 ***Taking positions in or dealing with the Underlying Assets (and/or Underlying Components)***

The Hedging Entity may hedge the Issuer's obligations under the Securities by purchasing futures and/or other instruments linked to the Underlying Asset(s) or (if an Index) the stocks or other components underlying the Underlying Asset ("**Underlying Components**"). The Hedging Entity may adjust its hedge by, among other things, purchasing or selling any of the foregoing, and perhaps other instruments linked to the Underlying Asset(s) or (if applicable) the Underlying Components, at any time and from time to time, and may unwind the hedge by selling any of the foregoing on or before the final redemption date or settlement date (as applicable) for the Securities. The relevant Hedging Entity may also enter into, adjust and unwind hedging transactions relating to other Securities whose returns are linked to changes in the level, price, rate or other applicable value of the Underlying Asset(s) or (if applicable) the Underlying Components. Any of these hedging activities may adversely affect the level, price, rate or other applicable value of the Underlying Asset(s) — directly or (if applicable) indirectly by affecting the level, price, rate or other applicable value of Underlying Components — and therefore the market value of the Securities and the amount payable (or deliverable) on redemption of the Securities at maturity. It is possible that the Issuer and/or Hedging Entity or other affiliate could receive substantial returns with respect to such hedging activities while the value of the Securities may decline.

The relevant Hedging Entity (or Hedging Entities) may also engage in trading in one or more of the Underlying Asset(s) or (if applicable) the Underlying Components or instruments whose returns are linked to the Underlying Asset or (if applicable) the Underlying Components, for its proprietary accounts, for other accounts under its management or to facilitate transactions, including block transactions, on behalf of customers. Any of these activities of the Hedging Entity could adversely affect the level, price, rate or other applicable value of the Underlying Asset(s) — directly or (if applicable) indirectly by affecting the level, price, rate or other applicable value of the Underlying Components — and therefore, the market value of the Securities and the amount payable (or deliverable) on redemption of the Securities at maturity. The Issuer, the Hedging Entity or any other affiliate may issue or underwrite, other securities or financial or derivative instruments with returns linked to changes in the level, price, rate or other applicable value of the Underlying Asset or (if applicable) one or more of the Underlying Components, as applicable. By introducing competing products into the marketplace in this manner, the Hedging Entity (and the Issuer indirectly through the Hedging Entity) could adversely affect the market value of the Securities and the amount payable (or deliverable) on redemption of the Securities at maturity.

The Issuer expects that the Hedging Entity (or Hedging Entities) may own securities of, or engage in trading activities related to the Underlying Asset(s) or (if applicable) the Underlying Components that are not for the account or on behalf of purchasers of Securities. These trading activities may present a conflict between the interests of purchasers of Securities and the interests of the Issuer and its affiliates in their proprietary accounts, in facilitating transactions, including block trades, for their customers and in accounts under their management. These trading activities, if they influence the level, price, rate or other applicable value of the Underlying Asset(s), could be adverse to the interests of purchasers of Securities.

## 5.2 ***Confidential information relating to the Underlying Assets and the Securities***

Certain affiliates of the Issuer and the Guarantor may from time to time, by virtue of their status as underwriter, advisor or otherwise, possess or have access to information relating to the Securities, the Underlying Assets and any derivative instruments referencing them. Such Goldman Sachs affiliates will not be obliged to disclose any such information to a purchaser of the Securities.

## 5.3 ***Acting as a hedge counterparty to the Issuer's and Guarantor's obligations under the Securities***

Certain affiliates of the Issuer and the Guarantor may be the counterparty to the hedge of the Issuer's and the Guarantor's obligations under an issue of Securities. Accordingly, certain conflicts of interest may arise both among these affiliates and between the interests of these affiliates and the interests of purchasers of Securities. See risk factor, "5.1 Taking positions in or dealing with the Underlying Assets (and/or Underlying Components)".

## 5.4 ***The Calculation Agent is an affiliate of (or the same entity as) the Issuer***

As the Calculation Agent is an affiliate of the Issuer (or may be the same entity as the Issuer) and the Guarantor, potential conflicts of interest may exist between the Calculation Agent and the purchasers, including with respect to the exercise of the very broad discretionary powers of the Calculation Agent. The Calculation Agent has the authority (i) to determine whether certain specified events and/or matters so specified in the conditions relating to a series of Securities have occurred, and (ii) to determine any resulting adjustments and calculations as described in such conditions. Prospective purchasers should be aware that any determination made by the Calculation Agent may have an impact on the value and financial return of the Securities. Any such discretion exercised by, or any calculation made by, the Calculation Agent (in the absence of manifest or proven error) shall be binding on the Issuer and all purchasers of the Securities.

## 6. **Additional risks associated with EIS Notes**

### 6.1 **Risks associated with the Preference Shares**

#### (a) **Calculation Agent determination in respect of the Preference Share(s), adjustment to or early redemption of the Securities and reinvestment risk following such early redemption**

If the Calculation Agent determines that an adjustment event in relation to the Preference Shares or Preference Share Underlying has occurred, the Calculation Agent may adjust the terms and conditions of the Securities (without the consent of the Holders) or may procure the early redemption of the Securities prior to their scheduled maturity date, in each case, in accordance with such terms and conditions. In the event of such early redemption the Issuer will pay the non-scheduled early repayment amount in respect of the Securities, which will be calculated using the same formula as the Final Redemption Amount (being, nominal x  $\text{Preference Share Value}_{\text{Final}} / \text{Preference Share Value}_{\text{Initial}}$ ) save that for the purposes of "Performance Share Value<sub>Final</sub>" the Preference Shares will be valued on or just prior to the date set for redemption rather than the Final Valuation Date. A purchaser of Securities should be aware that it is likely that the non-scheduled early repayment amount will be less than the purchaser's initial investment, and in such case see risk factor, "1.1 Purchasers of Securities may receive back less than the original invested amount". Following any such early redemption of the Securities, the purchasers of the Securities will generally not be able to reinvest the proceeds at any effective interest rate as high as the interest rate or yield on the Securities being redeemed and may only be able to do so at a significantly lower rate. Purchasers of the Securities should consider reinvestment risk in light of other investments available at that time.

#### (b) **Risks associated with Preference Share Underlying**

The Preference Shares may be linked to a variety of underlyings (referred to as the "Preference Share Underlying"), including, but not limited to, indices and shares. Please refer to the

relevant sub-paragraph of risk factor "4 *Risks associated with Securities that reference one or more Underlying Asset(s)*". For example, if the Preference Share Underlying is a share, please refer to risk factor "4.11 *Risks associated with Shares as Underlying Assets*" and if the Preference Share Underlying is an index please refer to risk factor "4.14 *Risks associated with Indices as Underlying Assets*".

## 6.2 **Risks associated with Cayman Islands law as the governing law of the EIS Notes**

EIS Notes will be governed by the laws of the Cayman Islands. However, the courts of England will also have non-exclusive jurisdiction to settle any disputes, controversy, proceedings or claim of whatever nature that may arise out of or in connection with EIS Notes. In considering the substance of any such dispute, the courts of England would still apply the laws of Cayman Islands, and would not generally apply (for example) English statutes, which do not form part of Cayman Islands law.

The courts in the Cayman Islands have a shorter history and deal with a smaller volume of disputes than do the English courts. As a result, case law in the Cayman Islands is generally considered to be less well developed than English case law. Therefore, there may be less certainty as to the legal position in relation to any particular issue arising under Cayman Securities than if the Securities were governed under English law. It is possible that there could be a different result than under English law, which result may be adverse to holders. However, as Cayman Islands common law has developed from English common law, English case law is generally viewed by the Cayman Islands courts as being highly persuasive.

## 6.3 **Credit and Fraud Risk of GSCL**

The value of EIS Notes is dependent on the value of the relevant Preference Shares of GSCL, which will depend in part on the creditworthiness of GSCL. GSCL is not an operating company. Its sole business activity is the issue of preference shares. GSCL does not have any trading assets and does not generate any significant net income. As its funds are limited any misappropriation of funds or other fraudulent action by GSCL or person acting on its behalf would have a significant effect on the value of the Preference Shares and will affect the value of the EIS Notes.

## 6.4 **Conflicts of interest: the Calculation Agent, the Preference Share Calculation Agent and the Swap Calculation Agent are each an affiliate of (or the same entity as) the Issuer**

The Preference Share Issuer and a counterparty, who is expected to be an affiliate of the Issuer and the Guarantor, shall enter into swap in order to fund the payout on the Preference Shares, and such counterparty will be the calculation agent under such swap (in such capacity the "**Swap Calculation Agent**"). This may affect the value of the Preference Shares and thus the value of the Securities.

Additionally, Goldman Sachs International acts as the Preference Share Calculation Agent and as the Calculation Agent with respect to the Securities and is an affiliate of the Issuer. Potential conflicts of interest may exist among the Calculation Agent, the Preference Share Calculation Agent, the Swap Calculation Agent and the purchasers, including with respect to the exercise of the discretionary powers of each of the Calculation Agent, the Preference Share Calculation Agent and the Swap Calculation Agent.

The Preference Share Calculation Agent has the authority to make determinations with respect to the Preference Share Underlying(s). Prospective purchasers should be aware that any determination made by the Preference Share Calculation Agent may have an impact on the value and financial return of the Securities. Any such discretion exercised by, or any calculation made by, the Preference Share Calculation Agent (in the absence of manifest or proven error) shall be binding on the relevant Preference Share Issuer and all purchasers of the Preference Shares.

**The Calculation Agent has the authority (i) to determine whether certain specified events and/or matters so specified in the conditions relating to a series of Securities have occurred, and (ii) to determine any resulting adjustments and calculations as described in such conditions. Prospective purchasers should be aware that any determination made**



**by the Calculation Agent may have an impact on the value and financial return of the Securities. Any such discretion exercised by, or any calculation made by, the Calculation Agent (in the absence of manifest or proven error) shall be binding on the Issuer and all purchasers of the Securities.**

**7. Risks associated with the Issuers and the Guarantor**

The risks associated with the Issuers and the Guarantor are set out on pages 4 and 5 of the Registration Document which is incorporated by reference into this Base Prospectus.

## **DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE**

### Registration Document

The Registration Document dated 24 June 2013 (the "**Registration Document**") relating to The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc., Goldman Sachs International and Goldman, Sachs & Co. Wertpapier GmbH, is hereby incorporated by reference into this Base Prospectus.

The table below sets out the relevant page references for the information contained in the Registration Document which is incorporated into this Base Prospectus by reference. Any information incorporated by reference that is not included in the cross-reference list is considered to be additional information and is not required by the relevant schedules of Commission Regulation (EC) No 809/2004, as amended (the "**Prospectus Regulation**").

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Investors who have not previously reviewed the information contained in the above document should do so in connection with their evaluation of any Securities. Any statement contained in the document or the relevant portion of which is incorporated by reference into this Base Prospectus, shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for the purpose of this Base Prospectus to the extent that a statement contained in this Base Prospectus or in any supplement to this Base Prospectus filed under Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive, including any documents incorporated therein by reference, modifies or supersedes such earlier statement (whether expressly, by implication or otherwise). The document incorporated by reference will be available on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange's website ([www.bourse.lu](http://www.bourse.lu)).

## GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAMME

### Types of Securities which may be issued under the Programme

Under the Programme, GSI and GSW, subject to compliance with all relevant laws, regulations and directives, may from time to time issue:

- (i) debt securities, including Fixed Rate Notes, Floating Rate Notes, Share Linked Notes, Index Linked Notes, Commodity Linked Notes, FX Linked Notes, Inflation Linked Notes, South African Notes, or a combination of any of the foregoing; and
- (ii) Warrants or Certificates or other similar instruments, including Share Linked Instruments, Index Linked Instruments, Commodity Linked Instruments, FX Linked Instruments or Inflation Linked Instruments. The Securities will be guaranteed by GSG.

### Applicable Clearing Systems

Instruments may be cleared through Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Euroclear France, VPS, Euroclear Sweden, Euroclear Finland, CREST or Monte Titoli. Notes may be cleared through Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Euroclear France, VPS, Euroclear Sweden or Euroclear Finland.

### Maturity, Minimum Denomination and Restriction on Delivery of Shares of the Same Group

Subject to compliance with all applicable laws, regulations, directives and/or central bank requirements, Notes may have any maturity and may have a denomination of less than EUR 100,000. No Notes may be issued under the Programme which have a minimum denomination of less than EUR 1,000 (or nearly equivalent in another currency) and no Securities may be issued which carry the right to acquire shares (or transferable securities equivalent to shares) issued by the relevant Issuer or by any entity to whose group such Issuer belongs and which, in each case, (a) are offered to the public or (b) admitted to trading on a regulated market of any European Economic Area Member State.

### Terms and Conditions of the Securities:

**Instruments:** the applicable terms of the Instruments will comprise:

- the "General Instrument Conditions", commencing at page 73 of this Base Prospectus;
- where the Instruments are linked to one or more Underlying Assets, the terms and conditions relating to such Underlying Asset(s) set out in the "Underlying Asset Conditions", commencing at page 182 of this Base Prospectus which are specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms;
- the economic or "payout" terms of the Instruments set forth in the "Instrument Payout Conditions" commencing at page 116 of this Base Prospectus which are specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms; and
- the issue specific details relating to such Instruments as set forth in a separate "Final Terms" document.

**Notes:** the applicable terms of the Notes will comprise:

- the "General Note Conditions", commencing at page 129 of this Base Prospectus;
- where the Notes are linked to one or more Underlying Assets, the terms and conditions relating to such Underlying Asset(s) set out in the "Underlying Asset Conditions", commencing at page 182 of this Base Prospectus which are specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms;
- the economic or "payout" terms of the Notes set forth in the "Instrument Payout Conditions" commencing at page 172 of this Base Prospectus which are specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms; and
- the issue specific details relating to such Notes as set forth in a separate "Final Terms" document.

### ***Final Terms***

Securities issued under the Programme may be issued pursuant to this Base Prospectus and relevant Final Terms ("Final Terms") prepared in connection with one or more series of Securities.

### ***Status of Securities***

Securities issued under the Programme will constitute direct, unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the relevant Issuer and will rank *pari passu* among themselves and with all other direct unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of such Issuer.

### ***Agents***

<b>Fiscal Agent:</b>	Citibank, N.A., London Branch.
<b>Transfer Agents:</b>	Citigroup Global Markets Deutschland AG and Banque Internationale à Luxembourg, société anonyme.
<b>Finnish Paying Agent:</b>	Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ), Helsinki Branch (GTS Banks), Finland.
<b>South African Paying Agent and South African Transfer Agent:</b>	The Standard Bank of South Africa Limited.
<b>Swedish Paying Agent:</b>	Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ) (GTS Banks), Sweden.
<b>Norwegian Paying Agent:</b>	Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ), Oslo Branch (GTS Banks), Norway.
<b>Luxembourg Paying Agent:</b>	Banque Internationale à Luxembourg, société anonyme.
<b>French Paying Agent:</b>	BNP Paribas Securities Services.
<b>Additional Paying Agent:</b>	Goldman Sachs International.
<b>Registrar (Notes):</b>	Citigroup Global Markets Deutschland AG.
<b>Principal Programme Agent:</b>	Citigroup Global Markets Deutschland AG.
<b>Finnish Programme Agent:</b>	Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ), Helsinki Branch (GTS Banks), Finland.
<b>Swedish Programme Agent:</b>	Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ) (GTS Banks), Sweden.
<b>Norwegian Programme Agent:</b>	Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ), Oslo Branch (GTS Banks), Norway.
<b>CREST Programme Agent and CREST Registrar:</b>	Equiniti Limited.
<b>Italian Programme Agent:</b>	Citibank, N.A.
<b>French Programme Agent:</b>	BNP Paribas Securities Services.
<b>Luxembourg Programme Agent:</b>	Banque Internationale à Luxembourg, société anonyme.
<b>Additional Programme Agent:</b>	Goldman Sachs International.

**Calculation Agent:**

Goldman Sachs International (unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms)

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### ***Questions about this Programme***

#### **1. Who are the Issuers under this Programme?**

The Issuers of securities under this programme are Goldman Sachs International and Goldman, Sachs & Co. Wertpapier GmbH.

Goldman Sachs International is an international investment banking organisation, incorporated in England, regulated by the Financial Services Authority and an authorised person under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 of the United Kingdom. The ultimate parent company of Goldman Sachs International is The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.

Goldman, Sachs & Co. Wertpapier GmbH is a company with limited liability incorporated in Germany for the purpose of issuing securities and entering into the contractual arrangements contemplated in this Base Prospectus, and is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.

#### **2. Who is the Guarantor under this Programme?**

The payment and delivery obligations of Goldman Sachs International and Goldman, Sachs & Co. Wertpapier GmbH are guaranteed by The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc., who is only obliged to pay the physical settlement disruption amount instead of delivery of the deliverable assets if the Issuer has failed to deliver the physical settlement amount.

The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. is a leading global investment banking, securities and investment management firm that provides a wide range of financial services to a substantial and diversified client base that includes corporations, financial institutions, governments and high-net-worth individuals.

#### **3. Who can purchase Securities under this Programme?**

A potential purchaser must hold an appropriate account enabling his or her interest in the Securities to be recorded, and can only purchase securities in compliance with the applicable regulations. The offering, sale and delivery of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this Base Prospectus or any Final Terms comes are required by the Issuers and the Guarantor to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions. Some, but not all, of the selling restrictions are highlighted below:

- (a) securities may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States or to U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act), except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws;
- (b) an instrument, but not a note, may be offered and sold within the United States by GSI only exclusively to qualified institutional buyers (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act) in reliance on the exemption provided by Rule 144A under the Securities Act;
- (c) a warrant which is represented by a Regulation S/Rule 144A Global Warrant may be offered and sold to (a) qualified institutional buyers as defined in, and in reliance on, Rule 144A under the Securities Act and (b) investors who are located outside the United States and are not "U.S.

persons" (as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act) (each, a "**Regulation S/Rule 144A Warrant**");

- (d) warrants relating to commodities may not be offered, sold or resold in or into the United States absent an applicable exemption under the Commodity Exchange Act; and
- (e) rights arising under the securities will be exercisable by the holder of securities only upon certification as to non-U.S. beneficial ownership, unless the Final Terms relating to an instrument expressly provides otherwise in connection with an offering of the instrument by GSI only pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

4. **What type of Securities can be issued under this Programme?**

Under this Programme, each of the Issuers may issue different types of securities, namely Warrants and Certificates, which are collectively known as "**Instruments**", and "**Notes**", which together with Instruments are collectively known as "**Securities**". The Securities may have any maturity. The Securities may be listed and traded on a regulated market, or not listed or traded; they may or may not be rated, they may bear no interest or bear fixed or floating rate interest or bear interest that will be linked to the performance of one or more Underlying Assets, in each case, depending on the type of Securities and investor demand.

*Questions about the documents in respect of an issuance of Securities*

5. **What documents do I need to read in respect of an issuance of Securities?**

There are several legal documents that an investor must read in respect of each trade: (i) this Base Prospectus (including the documents incorporated by reference) and (ii) the Final Terms in respect of such trade.

6. **What information is included in this Base Prospectus?**

This Base Prospectus discloses financial and other information about each Issuer and the Guarantor of such Securities and incorporates by reference further financial information about such entities. Such documents incorporated by reference into this Base Prospectus are available to investors by request from Investor Relations, 200 West Street, New York, New York 10282, USA, telephone +1 (212) 902-0300 and from the Luxembourg listing agent, Banque Internationale à Luxembourg at its office at 69 route d'Esch, L-2953 Luxembourg, Grand Duché de Luxembourg and the Luxembourg Stock Exchange will also publish such documents on its website at [www.bourse.lu](http://www.bourse.lu).

This Base Prospectus also discloses restrictions about who can buy such securities and risk factors relating to securities issued under this programme.

This Base Prospectus also contains the general terms and conditions of all instruments in the section called "General Instrument Conditions" and the general terms and conditions of all notes in the section called "General Note Conditions". The General Instrument Conditions and the General Note Conditions may be completed and/or amended by Instrument Payout Conditions (in the case of the General Instrument Conditions) or the Note Payout Conditions or EIS Payout Conditions (in the case of the General Note Conditions) and as may be further completed and/or amended by the Underlying Asset Conditions, which relate to the most popular types of underlying assets, namely the Share Linked Conditions, the Index Linked Conditions, the Commodity Linked Conditions, the FX Linked Conditions, the Inflation Linked Conditions, the Multi-Asset Basket Linked Conditions and the Additional South African Note Conditions.

7. **What information is included in the Final Terms?**

While the Base Prospectus includes general information about all securities, the Final Terms is the document that sets out the specific details of each particular issuance of securities. The Final Terms will contain, for example, the issue date, the maturity date and the redemption amount and any interest payments and interest payment dates, if applicable and will specify which (if any) of the Underlying Asset Conditions is applicable to the issuance.

*Questions about risks of investing in the Securities*



**8. Are purchasers subject to the credit risk of the relevant Issuer and the Guarantor with respect to the amount payable (if any) to a purchaser of Securities?**

Yes. The Securities are not (i) bank deposits and are not insured or guaranteed by the United States Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Deposit Insurance Fund or any other governmental agency of the United States or any other country, and therefore do not qualify for any deposit protection plans of the United States or any other country, including the countries in which the Issuers are incorporated and (ii) are unsecured and uncollateralised obligations, and therefore purchasers have no recourse whatsoever to the relevant Underlying Asset or any other assets in regard to the payments owing to them under the Securities. Purchasers in Securities are therefore exposed to the creditworthiness of the relevant Issuer and the Guarantor.

See the section entitled "Risk Factors" for more detailed information, in particular with respect to the "Risks relating to loss of investment and suitability of Securities" and "Risks associated with the creditworthiness of the Issuers and the Guarantor".

**9. How much of an investment is at risk?**

For some Securities, as indicated in the Instrument Payout Conditions or the Note Payout Conditions, as applicable, purchasers will be entitled to receive 100 per cent. of the face amount of the Securities on the Maturity Date, subject always to the creditworthiness of the relevant Issuer and the Guarantor to make such payment (or deliver the relevant Securities). If such Securities are sold prior to the Maturity Date or in certain circumstances if the Securities are repaid early, such purchaser may not receive the entire face amount of such Security, and may receive less than the amount that they invested.

For other Securities, a purchaser's investment may be at risk as they may receive an amount less than their original investment on the Maturity Date and may even lose their entire investment. In such circumstances, the value of the Securities can fluctuate and there is no guarantee that the value of the Securities will increase or that they will retain their value.

The Instrument Payout Conditions, the Note Payout Conditions or the EIS Payout Conditions, as applicable, will specify whether, and in what circumstances, a purchaser's investment is at risk.

***Questions about purchase, ownership or sale of Securities***

**10. Who are the "holders" of Securities?**

The expression "holders" refers to those who are shown in the records of the clearing systems as the holder of an amount of securities. Accordingly, only those who have an account at a clearing system will be holders and only holders have direct rights against the relevant Issuer. Holders do not include investors who own securities indirectly (for example through a selling agent). Investors who hold only the beneficial interests in the securities must exercise their rights through the intermediary.

**11. What rights do holders have against an Issuer?**

Securities issued under the programme will constitute direct, unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the relevant Issuer and will rank equally among themselves and with all other direct unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of such Issuer.

A holder's rights may include the right to have the principal amount of securities repaid by such Issuer at maturity, the right to receive interest based on the principal amount of such securities or otherwise, the right to receive a cash amount from the relevant Issuer calculated in accordance with the Instrument Payout Conditions, the Note Payout Conditions or the EIS Payout Conditions, as applicable or the right to receive delivery of a specified asset or assets against payment of a specified sum, all as more particularly described in the Instrument Payout Conditions, the Note Payout Conditions or the EIS Payout Conditions, as applicable.

Upon insolvency of the relevant Issuer, holders of the Securities will be paid at the same time as holders of other unsecured obligations of such Issuer and will be paid after preferred obligations (for example, secured creditors). If the relevant Issuer is unable to repay amounts due to holders, each holder will be treated equally with all other holders who own unsecured securities issued by such

Issuer, but will be entitled to claim for any shortfalls in amounts owed but unpaid by such Issuer against the Guarantor.

An investor who purchases Securities is therefore relying on the creditworthiness of the Guarantor as they will ultimately be able to recover any investment in the Securities to the extent that the Guarantor is able to repay those amounts. The Guarantor's creditworthiness and ability to fulfil its obligations in respect of the Securities are affected by general economic conditions and other business conditions.

For a discussion of certain factors affecting the Guarantor's business, see (i) "Risk Factors" in Part I, Item 1A (pages 24 to 37) of GSG's 2012 Form 10-K and (ii) page 177 of GSG's First Quarter Form 10-Q, which are incorporated by reference into the Registration Document and any other risk factors (which may arise or of which the Issuers may become aware after the date of this Base Prospectus) that may be included in any further documents to be incorporated by reference into this Base Prospectus by way of a Supplement.

**12. How is ownership of the Securities recorded?**

A purchaser will not receive a certificate representing his or her interest. Subject as provided below, each series of Securities will be issued in the form of a global security with one global security representing all of the holders' interests in respect of an entire series of Securities. Each global security will be deposited at, and transfers of interest therein will be facilitated between, the relevant clearing systems (being any of Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Euroclear France or other domestic systems (as applicable)). Securities held through CREST, Monte Titoli, VPS, Euroclear Sweden, Euroclear Finland or Strate Limited will be dematerialised and there will be no global security in respect of such Securities. Transfers of such Securities will be through book entries at such clearing system. Selling agents will hold an interest in the Securities through a clearing system on behalf of the purchasers, with whom they will have an arrangement in respect of such Securities.

**13. What do investors have to do to exercise their rights in respect of the Securities?**

Purchasers' rights relating to the Securities are governed by the procedures of the relevant clearing systems. As only the holders of the Securities can exercise any right to early repayment of the Securities, a purchaser wanting any such right to early repayment to be exercised on his or her behalf must contact his or her selling agent through which he or she holds his or her interest for details of how to give notice.

The purchaser should ensure proper and timely instructions are given to the selling agent requesting that it notify the holder to exercise the repayment right on his or her behalf.

**14. How are payments made to investors?**

The relevant Issuer will make payments of interest and principal or settlement amounts by paying the total amount payable to the clearing system(s), who will credit the appropriate amount to the account of each holder (which may include selling agents), in each case, in accordance with the rules and policies of the clearing system(s). Each purchaser of the Securities must look to its selling agent for payments on such purchaser's Securities. The relevant Issuer has no obligation to make payments directly to purchasers of Securities.

If a date specified for payment is not a business day, then the relevant Issuer will make the relevant payment on the first following day that is a Business Day. On these occasions, the payment will be treated as if it were made on the original specified date for payment and will not be considered a late payment. Accordingly, the relevant Issuer will not pay an additional interest amount for the postponement.

**15. When are payments made to purchasers?**

Each type of Security purchased will have a different repayment date or settlement date. Securities that bear interest (either interest accrued at a fixed or floating rate or interest calculated by reference to an underlying asset) will also have interest payment dates.

**16. Do Securities have a minimum denomination or trading size?**

The minimum denomination of a note, which is to be admitted to trading on a regulated stock exchange, or which is to be offered to the public in a member state of the European Economic Area and is subject to the requirement of the publication of a prospectus in accordance with the Prospectus Directive will be EUR 1,000 (or an equivalent amount in any other currency). Otherwise, there is no requirement for a minimum denomination.

In order to purchase some securities, there may be a minimum amount that need to be invested, and there may be minimum trading amounts.

**17. Will purchasers be able to sell their Securities?**

Goldman Sachs International or an affiliate may make a secondary market in the relevant series of Securities, where an investor can sell their Securities directly or via a selling agent to Goldman Sachs International or an affiliate. However, there is no guarantee that a secondary market will develop and a purchaser should therefore be prepared to hold the Securities until their repayment date. If Goldman Sachs International or an affiliate does make a secondary market, it may cease to do so at any time without notice.

**18. What will be the price of the Securities in such circumstances?**

If it is possible to sell the Securities, they would be sold for the prevailing bid price in the market except in the case where one or more entities are acting in the secondary market (e.g. specialist, market maker, price maker) pursuant to liquidity enhancement agreement(s) which provide for pre-determined bid prices as described below. The prevailing bid price may be affected by several factors including the performance of the Underlying Asset, prevailing interest rates at the time of sale, the time left before the stated repayment date, transaction costs and the creditworthiness of the relevant Issuer and the Guarantor (if any). It is therefore possible that any purchaser selling Securities in the secondary market may receive a price less than his or her initial investment.

In the case of any liquidity enhancement agreement providing for bid prices for Securities on the basis of certain fixed criteria (e.g., the creditworthiness of the relevant Issuer at the time of the issue date of such Securities), the bid price may be higher than the market prices, since the bid prices may not reflect all of the changes to the market variables such as any deterioration in Goldman Sachs' creditworthiness or perceived creditworthiness whether measured by Goldman Sachs' credit ratings or other measures.

**19. Are there any fees, expenses or taxes to pay when purchasing, holding or selling Securities?**

Fees and expenses may be incurred by purchasers in relation to the purchase, holding, transfer and sale of Securities. Potential purchasers or sellers of Securities should also be aware that stamp duties or taxes may have to be paid in accordance with the laws and practices of the country where the Securities are transferred. Every potential purchaser of Securities should consult their selling agent for details of fees, expenses, commissions or other costs and their own tax advisers in order to understand fully the tax implications specific to his or her investment in any Security.

**20. Can an Issuer redeem or terminate the Securities before their stated maturity date?**

An Issuer does have limited rights to redeem or terminate the Securities earlier than the specified maturity date or settlement date and repay the purchaser an early redemption or termination amount, for example, following the occurrence of a specified event, which are highlighted in more detail in the sections entitled "Introduction to the Share Linked Conditions", "Introduction to the Index Linked Conditions", "Introduction to the Commodity Linked Conditions", "Introduction to the FX Linked Conditions", "Introduction to the Inflation Linked Conditions" and "Introduction to the Multi-Asset Linked Conditions". The early redemption or termination amount may be less than the invested amount. For some Securities, the relevant Issuer's right to repay the Securities can be exercised at any time or the relevant Issuer may repay the Securities on the occurrence of a specified trigger event.

**21. Can an Issuer amend the Conditions of Securities once they have been issued?**

The terms and conditions of Securities may be amended by the relevant Issuer with the approval of the Calculation Agent but without the consent of the holders if, the amendment (a) is of a formal, minor or

technical nature, (b) is made to correct a manifest or proven error or omission, or (c) will not (in the opinion of the relevant Issuer) materially and adversely affect the interests of the holders.

Following the occurrence of certain events, the Calculation Agent, on behalf of the relevant Issuer, may be entitled to amend the conditions of Securities without requiring the consent of the holders of such Securities. Typically, such events will have effected the composition, or calculation, of the Underlying Asset(s) to such an extent that the Calculation Agent could not make any adjustment to account for the economic effect on the Securities. The sections entitled "Introduction to the Share Linked Conditions", "Introduction to the Index Linked Conditions", "Introduction to the Commodity Linked Conditions", "Introduction to the FX Linked Conditions", "Introduction to the Inflation Linked Conditions" and "Introduction to the Multi-Asset Linked Conditions" set out in more detail the circumstances in which the Calculation Agent can make such amendments.

An Issuer may also amend the Conditions of the Securities where it determines that its performance thereunder, in whole or in part, is unlawful or impracticable.

***Questions about the Calculation Agent***

**22. Who calculates the amounts payable to purchasers?**

Unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms, Goldman Sachs International will act as the Calculation Agent in respect of Securities issued under this Programme, and in such capacity, will determine the performance levels of the Underlying Asset(s) on specified valuation dates and will determine any interest amounts and the redemption amounts and/or physical settlement amounts payable or deliverable by the relevant Issuer to the holders of such Securities. In the event that a disruption event has occurred in respect of an Underlying Asset on a specified valuation date which renders it impossible or impracticable for the Calculation Agent to make a determination on such date, the valuation may be postponed to an alternative date, or the Calculation Agent may instead, in certain circumstances, estimate the value of such Underlying Asset on such valuation date.

In the event that the performance of the relevant Issuer's obligations under the Securities shall have become unlawful or impractical in whole or in part as a result of a change of applicable law or regulation or a change in the interpretation of applicable law or regulation, which results in the early termination or redemption of the Securities, the Calculation Agent will determine the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount of such Securities which may (if specified in the relevant Final Terms) represent quotations based upon fair market valuations of such Securities immediately prior to such termination or redemption (ignoring such illegality or impracticality).

**23. What further determinations may the Calculation Agent have to make?**

The terms and conditions of the Securities (comprising (i) the General Instrument Conditions or the General Note Conditions, as applicable, (ii) the Instrument Payout Conditions, the Note Payout Conditions or the EIS Payout Conditions, as applicable, (iii) any relevant Underlying Asset Conditions as completed by, (iv) the Final Terms) also provide that the Calculation Agent is the entity responsible for determining whether certain events have occurred (some of which are mentioned above), and in circumstances where such events have occurred, whether the terms and conditions of the securities need to be amended to reflect such events. A non-exhaustive summary of some events is set out below:

- (a) Market Disruption Event – any event that means the value of the Underlying Asset(s) cannot be determined in the regular manner, for example, the exchange on which the relevant shares trade has closed early or been disrupted, the management company of the fund has failed to publish the net asset value of the shares, or the index sponsor or commodities exchange has failed to publish the reference level;
- (b) Potential Adjustment Event or Extraordinary Event (in respect of the Share Linked Conditions) – any event that results in significant changes to the nature of the shares, including a reclassification, an extraordinary dividend, a delisting of shares, a merger event, a tender offer, an insolvency or a nationalisation, and where the share is a fund, a non-publication of the net asset value of the share;
- (c) Index Adjustment Event (in respect of the Index Linked Conditions) – any event that results in (i) a material non-prescribed modification of the composition of an index, (ii) the cancellation

of an index, which is then not replaced, and (iii) the non-publication of an index level (though this may be a Market Disruption Event);

- (d) Delay in Publication or Cessation of Publication (in respect of Inflation Linked Conditions) – a delay in, or cessation of, publication of an inflation index level;
- (e) Change in Law – a change in law which materially increases the relevant Issuer's costs of performing its obligations under the Securities;
- (f) FX Disruption Event – an event that makes conversion of specified and settlement currencies impossible;
- (g) CNY FX Disruption Event – an event that makes conversion or delivery of CNY impossible or impractical, or the general CNY foreign exchange market becomes illiquid; and
- (h) Physical Settlement Disruption Event - any event that has occurred as a result of which, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, the relevant Issuer cannot, or it is commercially impracticable for such Issuer to effect physical settlement of all or any of the deliverable assets in satisfaction of such Issuer's obligation to pay a redemption amount.

If the Calculation Agent determines that a Market Disruption Event, a Potential Adjustment Event, an Extraordinary Event, an Index Adjustment Event, a Delay in Publication or Cessation of Publication, a Change in Law, an FX Disruption Event, a CNY FX Disruption Event or Physical Settlement Disruption Event and any other applicable event has occurred, any consequential postponement of, or any alternative provisions for, valuation provided in the terms and conditions of any securities may have an adverse effect on the value of such securities.

The sections entitled "Introduction to the Share Linked Conditions", "Introduction to the Index Linked Conditions", "Introduction to the Commodity Linked Conditions", "Introduction to the FX Linked Conditions" and "Introduction to the Inflation Linked Conditions" set out in more detail the circumstances which can lead to a disruption event and the postponement of, or a change in the process relating to, the valuation of the most common types of underlying assets.

#### **24. Are the Calculation Agent's determinations binding on purchasers?**

All calculations, determinations or adjustments made by the Calculation Agent shall, in the absence of manifest error, be final, conclusive and binding on the holders of the Securities.

#### ***Questions about the "payout" terms of the Securities***

#### **25. What are the Instrument Payout Conditions?**

The Instrument Payout Conditions contain the conditions applicable to the calculation of the return on Instruments. The relevant Final Terms will specify which Instrument Payout Conditions are applicable to a particular issuance of Instruments and complete the Instrument Payout Conditions with information which is not known at the date of this Base Prospectus.

#### **26. What are the Note Payout Conditions?**

The Note Payout Conditions contain the conditions applicable to the calculation of the return on Notes. The relevant Final Terms will specify which Note Payout Conditions are applicable to a particular issuance of Notes and complete the Note Payout Conditions with information which is not known at the date of this Base Prospectus.

#### **27. What are the EIS Payout Conditions?**

The EIS Payout Conditions contain the conditions applicable to the calculation of the return on EIS Notes. The relevant Final Terms will specify which Note Payout Conditions are applicable to a particular issuance of EIS Notes and complete the EIS Payout Conditions with information which is not known at the date of this Base Prospectus.

#### ***Questions on the type of Underlying Asset linked Securities issued under this Programme***

**28. What type of Underlying Assets may be linked to Securities issued under this Programme?**

The interest and/or repayment terms of the Securities issued under this Programme may be linked to a number of different Underlying Assets, which may include:

- a Share (and/or dividends on a Share), including a Depositary Receipt
- an Index (and/or dividends on Shares in an Index), a futures, options or other derivatives contract on an Index
- a Commodity
- a Commodity Index
- a foreign exchange rate (FX Rate)
- an Inflation Index or other consumer price index
- an Interest Rate
- an Exchange Traded Fund
- a preference share issued by Goldman Sachs (Cayman) Limited
- baskets of the above, or
- any other combination of any of the above.

More information about the most common types of underlying assets is set out below at questions 29 to 36.

**29. What are share linked securities?**

The payments of interest and/or repayment of principal and any additional amounts payable in respect of some Securities, as indicated in the relevant Final Terms, will be calculated by reference to the performance of a share or a basket of shares over a fixed period of time or on fixed dates. The shares of companies that are referenced by such Securities will be traded on a stock exchange and the prices of such shares will be published on recognised information services, for example, Bloomberg or Reuters screens, which means that the investor will be able to monitor the relevant share prices during the life of the Securities.

The payments of interest and/or repayment of principal and any additional amounts payable in respect of some Securities, as indicated in the relevant Final Terms, will be calculated by reference to the performance of an exchange traded fund. The prices of the shares of such exchange traded funds will be published on recognised information services, for example, Bloomberg or Reuters screens, which means that the investor will be able to monitor the relevant share prices of the exchange traded funds during the life of the Securities.

An introduction to, and a summary of, the Share Linked Conditions is set out below.

**30. What are index linked securities?**

The payments of interest and/or repayment of principal and any additional amounts payable in respect of some Securities, as indicated in the relevant Final Terms, will be calculated by reference to the performance of an index that references shares or a basket of indices over a fixed period of time or on fixed dates. An index is a synthetic portfolio of shares representing a particular market or portion of it. Each index has its own calculation methodology and is usually expressed in terms of a change from a base value. There are three types of indices that are referenced by securities: (i) a unitary index, where the underlying shares are deemed to trade on a single stock exchange and the level of such index is published on a recognised information service; and (ii) a multi-exchange index, where the underlying shares are deemed to trade on more than one stock exchange and the level of such index is published on a recognised information service.

The payments of interest and/or repayment of principal and any additional amounts payable in respect of some Securities, as indicated in the relevant Final Terms, will be calculated by reference to the performance of a futures, options or other derivatives contract relating to an index. The prices of the futures, options or other derivatives contracts will be published on recognised information service.

An introduction to, and a summary of, the Index Linked Conditions is set out below.

**31. What are commodity linked securities?**

The payments of interest and/or repayment of principal and any additional amounts payable in respect of some Securities, as indicated in the relevant Final Terms, will be calculated by reference to the performance of a commodity, a basket of commodities or a commodity index over a fixed period of time or on fixed dates.

Commodities (including contracts that provide for physical delivery or are based on the price of a deliverable commodity) and commodity indices are generally divided into four main classes: (i) energy, which includes crude oil, gasoline, heating oil and natural gas, (ii) agriculture, which includes corn, soybeans, wheat, sugar, cocoa, cotton and coffee, (iii) livestock, which includes cattle and hogs, and (iv) metals, which can be subdivided into base metals such as aluminium, copper, nickel, lead and zinc, and precious metals such as gold and silver.

A commodity index generally references the performance of a synthetic weighted basket of commodities that satisfy specified criteria and is designed to be a liquid and diversified benchmark for commodities. Each commodity index has its own composition and calculation methodology and is usually expressed in terms of a change from a base value.

An introduction to, and a summary of, the Commodity Linked Conditions is set out below.

**32. What are foreign exchange rate linked securities?**

The payments of interest and/or repayment of principal and any additional amounts payable in respect of some Securities, as indicated in the relevant Final Terms, will be calculated by reference to the performance of a foreign exchange rate or a basket of foreign exchange rates over a fixed period of time or on fixed dates. Foreign exchange rates indicate the relationship between one specified currency and another currency. The values of such foreign exchange rates are published by recognised information services or are determined by central banks.

An introduction to, and a summary of, the FX Linked Conditions is set out below.

**33. What are inflation linked securities?**

The payments of interest and/or repayment of principal and any additional amounts payable in respect of some Securities, as indicated in the relevant Final Terms, will be calculated by reference to the performance of an inflation index or another consumer price index or a basket of inflation indices over a fixed period of time or on fixed dates. Inflation rates measure the percentage change in the general level of prices of goods and services in an economy over a period of time. The values of such inflation rates are published by recognised information services or are determined by central banks.

An introduction to, and a summary of, the Inflation Linked Conditions is set out below.

**34. What are multi-asset basket linked securities?**

The payments of interest and/or repayment of principal and any additional amounts payable in respect of some Securities, as indicated in the relevant Final Terms, will be calculated by reference to the performance of a basket of two or more Underlying Assets over a fixed period of time or on fixed dates. Such basket will be composed of shares (see question 29 (*What are share linked securities?*)) and indices (see question 30 (*What are index linked securities?*)).

An introduction to, and a summary of, the Multi-Asset Basket Linked Conditions is set out below.

**35. What are South African Notes?**

South African Notes issued under the Programme are subject to the General Note Conditions and the Additional South African Note Conditions and are issued pursuant to a South African agency agreement entered into between GSI, the South African Paying Agent, the South African Transfer Agent and the South African Calculation Agent.

South African Notes may only be issued by GSI and will be listed on the Interest Rate Market of JSE Limited, a public company with limited liability incorporated in accordance with the laws of South

Africa and a licensed exchange in terms of the South African Financial Markets Act ("**JSE**") and cleared through Strate Limited, licensed as a central securities depository in terms of section 29 of the South African Financial Markets Act (the "**CSD**"). They are subject to a JSE Placement Document (as amended, restated and supplemented from time to time) prepared and issued by GSI. The JSE Placement Document will be approved by the JSE.

South African Notes will be issued in registered form, and in the case of South African Notes which are listed on the Interest Rate Market of the JSE, will be in uncertificated form in terms of section 33 of the South African Financial Markets Act (subject to applicable laws and applicable procedures). South African Notes issued in uncertificated form will be held by the CSD. South African Notes issued in certificated form will be represented by an Individual Note Certificate in definitive registered form.

**36. What are EIS notes**

For a description of the EIS Notes see the section entitled "EIS Note Description" below on page 391.



**TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE SECURITIES**

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*The following is the text of the general terms and conditions of the Instruments (the "**General Instrument Conditions**") which, as set forth in General Instrument Condition 1(c) below, together with the Instrument Payout Conditions, the applicable Underlying Asset Conditions (if any) and as completed by the relevant Final Terms for the particular Tranche (or Tranches) of Instruments, comprise the Terms and Conditions of such Tranche (or Tranches) of Instruments. The Terms and Conditions of each Tranche of Instruments are incorporated by reference into each Global Instrument (if any) representing such Tranche.*

1. **Introduction**

- (a) *Programme*: Goldman Sachs International ("**GSI**") and Goldman, Sachs & Co. Wertpapier GmbH ("**GSW**") (each, an "**Issuer**" and together, the "**Issuers**") have established a programme (the "**Programme**") for the issuance of notes, warrants and certificates. The payment and delivery obligations of GSI and GSW are guaranteed by The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. ("**GSG**" or the "**Guarantor**").
  
- (b) *Programme Agreement*: The warrants (the "**Warrants**") and the certificates (the "**Certificates**", and together with the Warrants, the "**Instruments**") are issued pursuant to a programme agreement as amended and restated on 24 June 2013 (the "**Programme Agreement**", which expression shall include any amendments or supplements thereto) between the Issuers, Citigroup Global Markets Deutschland AG at Reuterweg 16, 60323 Frankfurt am Main, Federal Republic of Germany, as principal programme agent and as registrar (the "**Principal Programme Agent**", which expression shall include any successor or substitute principal programme agent appointed in accordance with the Programme Agreement), Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ) (Transaction Banking) as Swedish programme agent (the "**Swedish Programme Agent**"), Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ), Oslo Branch (Transaction Banking) as Norwegian programme agent (the "**Norwegian Programme Agent**"), Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ), Helsinki Branch (Transaction Banking) as Finnish programme agent (the "**Finnish Programme Agent**"), Banque Internationale à Luxembourg, société anonyme, as programme agent in Luxembourg (the "**Luxembourg Programme Agent**"), BNP Paribas Securities Services as programme agent in respect of Instruments cleared through Euroclear France (the "**French Programme Agent**"), Equiniti Limited as programme agent in respect of Instruments cleared through CREST (the "**CREST Programme Agent**") and registrar in respect of Instruments cleared through CREST (the "**CREST Registrar**"), Citibank, N.A., as programme agent in Italy in respect of Instruments cleared through Monte Titoli (the "**Italian Programme Agent**") and GSI as additional programme agent (the "**Additional Programme Agent**", and together with the Principal Programme Agent, the Swedish Programme Agent, the Norwegian Programme Agent, the Finnish Programme Agent, the Luxembourg Programme Agent, the French Programme Agent, the CREST Programme Agent and the Italian Programme Agent are, where the context admits, the "**Programme Agents**", which expression shall include any substitute or additional programme agents appointed in accordance with the Programme Agreement) and Goldman Sachs International or such other calculation agent as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms as calculation agent (the "**Calculation Agent**", which expression shall include any successor calculation agent appointed in accordance with the Programme Agreement). References herein to the "**Agents**" are to the Programme Agents and the CREST Registrar and any reference to an "**Agent**" is to any one of them. Holders (as defined in General Instrument Condition 2 (*Definitions and Interpretation*)) are deemed to have notice of all the provisions (including the form of Exercise Notice referred to in General Instrument Condition 8 (*Exercise Procedure*)) of the Programme Agreement.
  
- (c) *Terms and Conditions*: The terms and conditions (the "**Terms and Conditions**" or the "**Conditions**") of the Instruments comprise the following:
  - (i) these General Instrument Conditions;
  - (ii) the Instrument Payout Conditions (the "**Instrument Payout Conditions**");
  - (iii) the Underlying Asset Conditions (the "**Underlying Asset Conditions**") (if applicable) which are specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms. In relation to:
    - (A) Share Linked Instruments, the Share Linked Conditions (the "**Share Linked Conditions**") shall apply;
    - (B) Index Linked Instruments, the Index Linked Conditions (the "**Index Linked Conditions**") shall apply;
    - (C) Commodity Linked Instruments, the Commodity Linked Conditions (the "**Commodity Linked Conditions**") shall apply;

- (D) FX Linked Instruments, the FX Linked Conditions (the "**FX Linked Conditions**") shall apply;
  - (E) Inflation Linked Instruments, the Inflation Linked Conditions (the "**Inflation Linked Conditions**") shall apply;
  - (F) Multi-Asset Basket Linked Instruments, the Multi-Asset Basket Linked Conditions (the "**Multi-Asset Basket Linked Conditions**") shall apply; and
- (iv) in the case of each of (i)-(iii), subject to completion of the issue specific terms by the relevant Final Terms in relation to the Instruments.

In the event of any inconsistency between any of the General Instrument Conditions, the applicable Instrument Payout Conditions, the applicable Underlying Asset Conditions and the relevant Final Terms, the prevailing term will be determined in accordance with the following order of priority (where 1. prevails over the other terms):

1. the relevant Final Terms;
2. the applicable Instrument Payout Conditions;
3. the applicable Underlying Asset Conditions (if any); and
4. General Instrument Conditions,

provided that any term preceded with the phrase "notwithstanding anything else in these Terms and Conditions" (or a phrase of similar import) shall prevail over any inconsistent term in any other part of the Terms and Conditions of the Instruments.

- (d) *Final Terms*: Instruments issued under the Programme are issued in series (each, a "**Series**"), and each Series may comprise one or more tranches ("**Tranches**" and each, a "**Tranche**") of Instruments. One or more Tranches of Instruments will be the subject of a final terms (each, a "**Final Terms**"), a copy of which may be obtained free of charge from the Specified Office of the relevant Programme Agent. References to the "**relevant Final Terms**" or the "**applicable Final Terms**" or "**the Final Terms**" in relation to any Instruments means the particular Final Terms prepared in respect of such Instruments. In the case of Instruments in relation to which application has been made for listing on the Official List and trading on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, copies of the relevant Final Terms will be lodged with the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and will be available for viewing on the website of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange ([www.bourse.lu](http://www.bourse.lu)) and copies of which may be obtained free of charge from the Specified Office of the Luxembourg Programme Agent. In the case of Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments (as defined in General Instrument Condition 2 (*Definitions and Interpretation*)), a copy of the relevant Final Terms may be obtained free of charge from the Specified Office of the Swedish Programme Agent. In the case of VPS Registered Instruments (as defined in General Instrument Condition 2 (*Definitions and Interpretation*)), a copy of the relevant Final Terms may be obtained free of charge from the Specified Office of the Norwegian Programme Agent. In the case of Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments (as defined in General Instrument Condition 2 (*Definitions and Interpretation*)), a copy of the relevant Final Terms may be obtained free of charge from the Specified Office of the Finnish Programme Agent.
- (e) *Guaranty*: The payment and delivery obligations of GSI and GSW, in respect of Instruments issued by GSI and GSW, are unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed by GSG pursuant to a guaranty dated 24 June 2013 made by GSG (the "**Guaranty**"). GSG is only obliged to pay the Physical Settlement Disruption Amount instead of delivery of the Deliverable Assets if the Issuer has failed to deliver the Physical Settlement Amount.
- (f) *Deed of Covenant*: Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments, VPS Registered Instruments, Euroclear France Registered Instruments, CREST Registered Instruments and Monte Titoli Registered Instruments (together, the "**Registered Instruments**"), each as defined in General Instrument Condition 2 (*Definitions and*

*Interpretation*)) are constituted by a deed of covenant dated 24 June 2013 (the "**Deed of Covenant**") made by the Issuers.

- (g) *The Instruments*: All subsequent references in these General Instrument Conditions to "Instruments" are to the Instruments which are the subject of the relevant Final Terms.
- (h) *Summaries*: Certain provisions of these General Instrument Conditions are summaries of the Programme Agreement and the Guaranty, and are subject to their detailed provisions. Holders of the Instruments are bound by, and are deemed to have notice of, all the provisions of the Programme Agreement, the Guaranty and the Deed of Covenant applicable to them. Copies of the Programme Agreement, the Guaranty and the Deed of Covenant are available for inspection by Holders during normal business hours at the Specified Offices of each of the Agents.

## 2. Definitions and Interpretation

- (a) *Definitions*: In these General Instrument Conditions the following expressions have the following meanings:

**"Account Operator"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 8(m) (*Settlement – Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments*);

**"Additional Business Centre"** means the place(s) specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Adjusted Affected Payment Date"** means, in respect of the occurrence of an FX Disruption Event, the Specified Day(s) following the day on which an FX Disruption Event ceases to exist (as determined by the Calculation Agent), unless the relevant Final Terms specify "Default Adjusted Affected Payment Date", in which case, "Adjusted Affected Payment Date" means the second Business Day following the day on which an FX Disruption Event ceases to exist (as determined by the Calculation Agent);

**"Affected Payment Cut-off Date"** means the Specified Day(s) following the FX Disruption Event Cut-off Date, unless the relevant Final Terms specify "Default Affected Payment Cut-off Date", in which case, "Affected Payment Cut-off Date" means the second Business Day following the FX Disruption Event Cut-off Date;

**"Affected Payment Date"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 12(a) (*Postponement or Payment in USD*);

**"Agent"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(b) (*Programme Agreement*);

**"American Style Instruments"** means Instruments that are exercisable on any Business Day during the Exercise Period, subject to prior termination of the Instruments as provided in General Instrument Condition 14 (*Change of applicable law*);

**"Applicable Date"** means each date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"applicable law"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 14 (*Change of applicable law*);

**"Assumption"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 22 (*Substitution*);

**"Automatic Early Exercise Amount"** means, in respect of any Applicable Date, such amount as is specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Automatic Early Exercise Barrier"** means the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Automatic Early Exercise Date"** means:

- (i) in respect of any Applicable Date, such date as is specified in the relevant Final Terms (each, a **"Scheduled Automatic Early Exercise Date"**), provided that, if the relevant Applicable Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, the corresponding Automatic Early Exercise Date in respect of such Applicable Date will instead be the day falling the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Automatic Early Exercise Settlement Period Business Days after such Applicable Date;
- (ii) in respect of Share Linked Instruments, and if the relevant Final Terms specify "Automatic Early Exercise Date – Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)" to be applicable, "Automatic Early Exercise Date" has the meaning ascribed to it in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*);
- (iii) in respect of Index Linked Instruments, and if the relevant Final Terms specify "Automatic Early Exercise Date – Index Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)" to be applicable, "Automatic Early Exercise Date" has the meaning ascribed to it in Index Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*); and
- (iv) in respect of Commodity Linked Instruments, and if the relevant Final Terms specify "Automatic Early Exercise Date – Commodity Linked Condition 9 (*General Definitions*)" to be applicable, "Automatic Early Exercise Date" has the meaning ascribed to it in Commodity Linked Condition 9 (*General Definitions*);

**"Automatic Early Exercise Event"** means, in respect of any Applicable Date, (and an Automatic Early Exercise Event shall be deemed to have occurred in respect of such Applicable Date if), the Calculation Agent determines that the Reference Price of the Underlying Asset on such Applicable Date is greater than or equal to the Automatic Early Exercise Barrier;

**"Bermudan Style Instruments"** means Instruments that are exercisable only on the Specified Exercise Dates during the Exercise Period and on the Expiration Date;

**"Business Day"** means:

- (i) in relation to any sum payable in euro, a TARGET Settlement Day and a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments generally in each (if any) Additional Business Centre;
- (ii) in relation to any sum payable in CNY, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments generally in the CNY Financial Centre(s) and in each (if any) Additional Business Centre;
- (iii) in relation to any sum payable in a currency other than euro or CNY, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments generally in the Principal Financial Centre of the relevant currency and in each (if any) Additional Business Centre, provided that if the Additional Business Centre is specified in the relevant Final Terms to be or to include TARGET, then a Business Day shall also be a TARGET Settlement Day;
- (iv) in the case of Instruments held or to be held in Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, a day on which Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg (as the case may be) is open for business;
- (v) in the case of Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which banks in Sweden are open for business;
- (vi) in the case of VPS Registered Instruments, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which banks in Norway are open for business;
- (vii) in the case of Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, a day on which Euroclear Finland and the Euroclear Finland System (in which the Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments are registered) are open for business in accordance with the Euroclear Finland Rules;

- (viii) in the case of Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments, a day on which the Relevant Settlement System is open for business,

unless, in each case, the relevant Final Terms specify "**Non-Default Business Day**" to be applicable, in which case "Business Day" means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments generally in each (if any) Additional Business Centre;

"**Business Day Convention**" means, in relation to any relevant date referred to in the Conditions which is specified to be adjusted in accordance with a Business Day Convention, the convention for adjusting such date if it would otherwise fall on a day that is not a Business Day, and if the Business Day Convention specified in the relevant Final Terms is:

- (i) "**Following Business Day Convention**", the relevant date shall be postponed to the first following day that is a Business Day;
- (ii) "**Modified Following Business Day Convention**" or "**Modified Business Day Convention**", the relevant date shall be postponed to the first following day that is a Business Day, unless that day falls in the next calendar month, in which case that date will be the first preceding day that is a Business Day;
- (iii) "**Nearest**", the relevant date shall be the first preceding day that is a Business Day, if the relevant date would otherwise fall on a day other than a Sunday or a Monday, and will be the first following day that is a Business Day, if the relevant date would otherwise fall on a Sunday or a Monday;
- (iv) "**Preceding Business Day Convention**", the relevant date will be the first preceding day that is a Business Day;
- (v) "**Floating Rate Convention**", each relevant date shall be the date which numerically corresponds to the preceding such date in the calendar month which is the number of months specified in the relevant Final Terms as the Specified Period after the calendar month in which the preceding such date occurred provided, however, that:
  - (A) if there is no such numerically corresponding day in the calendar month in which any such date should occur, then such date will be the last day which is a Business Day in that calendar month;
  - (B) if any such date would otherwise fall on a day which is not a Business Day, then such date will be the first following day which is a Business Day unless that day falls in the next calendar month, in which case it will be the first preceding day which is a Business Day; and
  - (C) if the preceding such date occurred on the last day in a calendar month which was a Business Day, then all subsequent such dates will be the last day which is a Business Day in the calendar month which is the Specified Period after the calendar month in which the preceding such date occurred; and
- (vi) "**No Adjustment**", the relevant date shall not be adjusted in accordance with any Business Day Convention;

"**Calculation Agent**" has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(b) (*Programme Agreement*);

"**Calculation Period**" has the meaning given in the definition of "Day Count Fraction";

"**Cash Settlement**" means if specified in the relevant Final Terms, cash payment of the Settlement Amount;

"**Certificates**" has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(b) (*Programme Agreement*);

**"Clearing System"** means Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Euroclear France, CREST, Monte Titoli, the Euroclear Sweden System, the VPS System and/or the Euroclear Finland System or such other clearing system as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Clearing System Business Day"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 11(g) (*Record Date*);

**"Clearstream, Luxembourg"** means Clearstream Banking, société anonyme;

**"Closing Share Price"** has the meaning given in the Share Linked Conditions;

**"Closing Value"** means the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"CNY"** means Chinese Renminbi, the lawful currency of the People's Republic of China (including any lawful successor to the CNY);

**"CNY Financial Centre"** has the meaning given in FX Linked Condition 3 (*Definitions*);

**"CNY FX Disruption Event"** has the meaning given in FX Linked Condition 3 (*Definitions*);

**"Commodity Linked Instruments"** are any Instruments specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Commodity Linked Conditions"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(c) (*Terms and Conditions*);

**"Conditions"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(c) (*Terms and Conditions*);

**"CREST"** means the dematerialised securities trading system operated by Euroclear UK and Ireland;

**"CREST Holder"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 4(e) (*CREST Registered Instruments*);

**"CREST Programme Agent"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(b) (*Programme Agreement*);

**"CREST Register"** means the register held by the CREST Registrar in respect of CREST Registered Instruments;

**"CREST Registered Instruments"** means Instruments cleared through CREST;

**"CREST Registrar"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(b) (*Programme Agreement*);

**"Day Count Fraction"** means, in respect of the calculation of an amount for any period of time (the **"Calculation Period"**), such day count fraction as may be specified in the Conditions or the relevant Final Terms and:

- (i) if **"Actual/Actual (ICMA)"** is so specified, means:
  - (A) where the Calculation Period is equal to or shorter than the Regular Period during which it falls, the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by the product of (I) the actual number of days in such Regular Period and (II) the number of Regular Periods in any year; and
  - (B) where the Calculation Period is longer than one Regular Period, the sum of:
    - (1) the actual number of days in such Calculation Period falling in the Regular Period in which it begins divided by the product of (a) the actual number of days in such Regular Period and (b) the number of Regular Periods in any year; and

- (2) the actual number of days in such Calculation Period falling in the next Regular Period divided by the product of (a) the actual number of days in such Regular Period and (b) the number of Regular Periods in any year;
- (ii) if "**Actual/365**" or "**Actual/Actual (ISDA)**" is so specified, means the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 365 (or, if any portion of the Calculation Period falls in a leap year, the sum of (A) the actual number of days in that portion of the Calculation Period falling in a leap year divided by 366 and (B) the actual number of days in that portion of the Calculation Period falling in a non-leap year divided by 365);
- (iii) if "**Actual/365 (Fixed)**" is so specified, means the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 365;
- (iv) if "**Actual/360**" is so specified, means the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360;
- (v) if "**30/360**" is so specified, means the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

$$\text{Day Count Fraction} = \frac{[360 \times (Y_2 - Y_1) + [30 \times (M_2 - M_1)] + (D_2 - D_1)]}{360}$$

Where:

"Y<sub>1</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;

"Y<sub>2</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Calculation Period falls;

"M<sub>1</sub>" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;

"M<sub>2</sub>" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Calculation Period falls;

"D<sub>1</sub>" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D<sub>1</sub> will be 30; and

"D<sub>2</sub>" is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day of the Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31 and D<sub>1</sub> is greater than 29, in which case D<sub>2</sub> will be 30; and

- (vi) if "**30E/360**" or "**Eurobond Basis**" is so specified means, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

$$\text{Day Count Fraction} = \frac{[360 \times (Y_2 - Y_1) + [30 \times (M_2 - M_1)] + (D_2 - D_1)]}{360}$$

Where:

"Y<sub>1</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;

"Y<sub>2</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Calculation Period falls;

"M<sub>1</sub>" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;



"M<sub>2</sub>" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Calculation Period falls;

"D<sub>1</sub>" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D<sub>1</sub> will be 30; and

"D<sub>2</sub>" is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day of the Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D<sub>2</sub> will be 30;

**"Deed of Covenant"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(f) (*Deed of Covenant*);

**"Deliverable Assets"** means the number of Shares as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"euro", "EUR" or "€"** means the lawful single currency of the member states of the European Union that have adopted and continue to retain a common single currency through monetary union in accordance with European Union treaty law (as amended from time to time);

**"Euroclear"** means Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V.;

**"Euroclear/Clearstream Holder"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 4(a) (*Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments*);

**"Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments"** means Instruments that are cleared through Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg;

**"Euroclear Finland"** means Euroclear Finland Oy, the Finnish Central Securities Depository;

**"Euroclear Finland Holder"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 4(d) (*Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments*);

**"Euroclear Finland Register"** means the register opened in the Euroclear Finland System for Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments;

**"Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments"** means any Tranche of Instruments registered with Euroclear Finland in the Euroclear Finland System and issued in uncertificated and dematerialised book-entry form in accordance with the Finnish Regulations;

**"Euroclear Finland Rules"** means the rules issued by Euroclear Finland;

**"Euroclear Finland System"** means the technical system at Euroclear Finland for the registration of instruments and the clearing and settlement of instrument transactions;

**"Euroclear France"** means Euroclear France S.A.;

**"Euroclear France Account Holder"** means any authorised financial intermediary institution entitled to hold accounts, directly or indirectly, on behalf of its customers with Euroclear France, and includes Euroclear and the depositary bank for Clearstream, Luxembourg;

**"Euroclear France Holder"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 4(g) (*Euroclear France Registered Instruments*);

**"Euroclear France Registered Instruments"** means Instruments cleared through Euroclear France;

**"Euroclear Sweden"** means Euroclear Sweden AB, the Swedish Central Securities Depository;

**"Euroclear Sweden Holder"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 4(b) (*Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments*);

**"Euroclear Sweden Register"** means the register opened in the Euroclear Sweden System for Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments issued or to be issued by the Issuer;

**"Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments"** means any Tranche of Instruments registered with Euroclear Sweden and issued in uncertificated and dematerialised book-entry form in accordance with the SFIA Act;

**"Euroclear Sweden Rules"** means the SFIA Act and all other applicable Swedish laws, regulations and operating procedures applicable to and/or issued by Euroclear Sweden from time to time;

**"Euroclear Sweden System"** means the technical system at Euroclear Sweden for the registration of securities and the clearing and settlement of securities transactions;

**"European Style Instruments"** means Instruments that are exercisable only on the Expiration Date or if that is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day, subject to prior termination of the Instruments as provided in General Instrument Condition 14 (*Change of applicable law*);

**"Event of Default"** means any of the events described in General Instrument Condition 28(a) (*Events of Default*);

**"Exercise Date"** means, in respect of any Instrument, subject to General Instrument Condition 10(b) (*Maximum Exercise Number*) (if applicable), the day on which an Exercise Notice relating to that Instrument is delivered in accordance with:

- (i) the provisions of General Instrument Condition 8(a) (*Exercise Notice – Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments only*), provided that:
  - (A) if the Exercise Notice is delivered (1) on any day which is not a Business Day or (2) (x) after 10.00 a.m. (or, if specified in the relevant Final Terms, such other Specified Exercise Time) (Brussels or Luxembourg time, as the case may be) on any Business Day or (y) if a Local Exercise Place is specified in the relevant Final Terms, after 10.00 a.m. (or, if specified in the relevant Final Terms, such other Specified Exercise Time) in the Local Exercise Place on any Business Day, then, in either case (1) or (2), the Exercise Date shall be the next succeeding day which is a Business Day; and
  - (B) subject to General Instrument Condition 7(b) (*European Style Exercise*) (if applicable) or General Instrument Condition 7(c) (*Bermudan Style Exercise*) (if applicable), the Exercise Date may not be later than the Expiration Date; or
- (ii) the provisions of General Instrument Condition 8(b) (*Exercise Notice – Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered and CREST Registered Instruments*), provided that:
  - (A) if the Exercise Notice is delivered (1) on any day which is not a Business Day or (2) after 10.00 a.m. (or, if specified in the relevant Final Terms, such other Specified Exercise Time) (Paris, Milan or London time, as the case may be) on any Business Day, then, in either such case, the Exercise Date shall be the next succeeding day which is a Business Day; and
  - (B) subject to General Instrument Condition 7(b) (*European Style Exercise*) (if applicable) or General Instrument Condition 7(c) (*Bermudan Style Exercise*) (if applicable), the Exercise Date may not be later than the Expiration Date;

**"Exercise Notice"** means in respect of Instruments other than Nordic Registered Instruments, an exercise notice in the form set out in the Programme Agreement (copies of which may be obtained from Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or the Programme Agents);

**"Exercise Period"** means the period beginning on (and including) such date as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms and ending on (and including) the Expiration Date;

**"Expenses"** means all expenses, costs, charges, tax, duties, withholding or other payments, including, without limitation, all stamp, issue, registration or securities transfer or other similar taxes or duties or other governmental charges;

**"Expiration Date"** means the Valuation Date, the Pricing Date, the Final Valuation Date, the Adjusted Final FX Valuation Date, or any other date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, and if the relevant Final Terms specify "Expiration Date is Business Day Adjusted" to be applicable, if such date is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day;

**"Final Terms"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(d) (*Final Terms*);

**"Finnish Custody Cash Account"** means a cash account in euro opened in the name of the Issuer and maintained by the Finnish Programme Agent;

**"Finnish Programme Agent"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(b) (*Programme Agreement*);

**"Finnish Regulations"** means the Finnish Securities Markets Act (746/2012), Act on the Book-Entry System and Clearing Operations (749/2012), Act on Book-Entry Accounts (827/1991), the Euroclear Finland Rules and the rules of the OMX Nordic Exchange Helsinki Oy;

**"first currency"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 20 (*Currency Indemnity*);

**"Fractional Cash Amount"** means an amount in Settlement Currency determined by the Calculation Agent as (i) the Fractional Entitlement, multiplied by (ii) the Closing Share Price on the Valuation Date, or such other amount as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Fractional Entitlement"** means, in respect of an Instrument, the fraction of the Deliverable Assets existing prior to the rounding down to the nearest whole number resulting from the calculation of the Deliverable Assets, rounded to the nearest four decimal places, with 0.00005 rounded upwards (or such other Specified Decimal Place), as determined by the Calculation Agent;

**"French Programme Agent"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(b) (*Programme Agreement*);

**"FX Disruption Event"** has the meaning given in FX Linked Condition 3 (*Definitions*);

**"FX Disruption Event Cut-off Date"** means the Specified Day(s) following the original date on which the relevant Interest Payment Date, Maturity Date or other date on which amounts are payable under the Instruments by the Issuer, as applicable, was scheduled to fall, unless the relevant Final Terms specify "Default FX Disruption Event Cut-off Date", in which case, "FX Disruption Event Cut-off Date" means the fifteenth Business Day following the original date on which the relevant Interest Payment Date, Maturity Date or other date on which amounts are payable under the Instruments by the Issuer, as applicable, was scheduled to fall;

**"FX Linked Instruments"** are any Instruments specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"FX Linked Conditions"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(c) (*Terms and Conditions*);

**"Global Instrument"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 3(a) (*Form*);

**"GSG"** means The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.;

**"GSI"** means Goldman Sachs International;

**"GSW"** means Goldman, Sachs & Co. Wertpapier GmbH;

**"Guarantor"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(a) (*Programme*);

**"Guaranty"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(e) (*Guaranty*);

**"Hedge Positions"** means any one or more securities positions, derivatives positions or other instruments or arrangements (howsoever described) purchased, sold, entered into or maintained by the Issuer, the Guarantor or any affiliate thereof, in order to hedge, or otherwise in connection with, the Instruments including, for the avoidance of doubt, any such positions in respect of the relevant Deliverable Assets in respect of the Instruments;

**"Holder"** means a Euroclear/Clearstream Holder, a Euroclear Sweden Holder, a VPS Holder, an Euroclear Finland Holder, a Euroclear France Holder, a Monte Titoli Holder or a CREST Holder, as the case may be;

**"In-the-Money"** means that the Calculation Agent determines that the Closing Value of an Underlying Asset is greater than the Strike Price;

**"Index Linked Instruments"** are any Instruments specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Index Linked Conditions"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(c) (*Terms and Conditions*);

**"Inflation Linked Instruments"** are any Instruments specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Inflation Linked Conditions"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(c) (*Terms and Conditions*);

**"Instruments"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(b) (*Programme Agreement*);

**"Interest Amount"** means, in respect of each Interest Period and each Certificate, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Notional Amount per Certificate} \times \text{Interest Rate} \times \text{Day Count Fraction};$$

**"Interest Commencement Date"** means the Issue Date of the Instruments or such other date as may be specified as the Interest Commencement Date in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Interest Payment Date"** means each date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Interest Period"** means the period commencing on (and including) the Interest Commencement Date to (but excluding) the first Interest Payment Date and each period commencing on (and including) an Interest Payment Date to (but excluding) the next following Interest Payment Date, and, if the relevant Final Terms specifies that the Interest Periods, or particular Interest Periods shall be (i) "Adjusted", then each Interest Period shall commence on or end on, as the case may be, the relevant Interest Payment Date after all applicable adjustments to such Interest Payment Date pursuant to the Conditions, or (ii) "Unadjusted", then each Interest Period shall commence on or end on, as the case may be, the date on which the relevant Interest Payment Date is scheduled to fall, disregarding all applicable adjustments to such Interest Payment Date pursuant to the Conditions;

**"Interest Rate"** means the rate specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Issue Date"** means the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Issue Price"** the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Issuer"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(a) (*Programme*);

**"Italian Programme Agent"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(b) (*Programme Agreement*);

**"Local Exercise Place"** means the place specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Local Time"** means, with respect to Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Paris time, with respect to Monte Titoli Registered Instruments, Milan time, and with respect to CREST Registered Instruments, London time;

**"Luxembourg Programme Agent"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(b) (*Programme Agreement*);

**"Maturity Date"** means:

- (i) in respect of Instruments other than Nordic Registered Instruments or Euroclear France Registered Instruments, the Scheduled Maturity Date, and if the Relevant Determination Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, the Maturity Date shall instead be the day falling the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Settlement Period Business Days after the Relevant Determination Date;
- (ii) in respect of VPS Registered Instruments and Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments, the seventh Business Day or such other Specified Day(s) following the Expiration Date, in each case, subject to the Underlying Asset Conditions (if applicable);
- (iii) in respect of Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, the Business Day on which such Euroclear Finland Registered Instrument shall be settled in accordance with the Finnish Regulations;
- (iv) in respect of Euroclear France Registered Instruments:
  - (A) if Warrants, then the fifth Business Day or such other Specified Day(s) following the Expiration Date; and
  - (B) if Certificates, then the eighth Business Day or such other Specified Day(s) following the Expiration Date;
- (v) in respect of Share Linked Instruments, and if the relevant Final Terms specify "Maturity Date – Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)" to be applicable, "Maturity Date" has the meaning ascribed to it in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*);
- (vi) in respect of Index Linked Instruments, and if the relevant Final Terms specify "Maturity Date – Index Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)" to be applicable, "Maturity Date" has the meaning ascribed to it in Index Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*); and
- (vii) in respect of Commodity Linked Instruments, and if the relevant Final Terms specify "Maturity Date – Commodity Linked Condition 9 (*General Definitions*)" to be applicable, "Maturity Date" has the meaning ascribed to it in Commodity Linked Condition 9 (*General Definitions*),

unless, in each case, the relevant Final Terms specify:

- (A) **"Maturity Date Specific Adjustment"** to be applicable, in which case, in respect of:
  - (I) Instruments other than Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, the Maturity Date shall be the Scheduled Maturity Date or, if later, the later to occur of (1) the Specified Day(s) after the Scheduled Determination Date, and (2) the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Settlement Period Business Days after the Relevant Determination Date; or
  - (II) in respect of Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, the Maturity Date shall be the Scheduled Maturity Date or, if later, the later to occur of: (1) the Business Day on which the Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments shall be settled in accordance with Finnish Regulations, and (2) the

number of Business Days equal to the Number of Settlement Period Business Days after the Relevant Determination Date; or

- (B) **"Business Day Adjustment"** to be applicable, in which case, the Maturity Date shall be the Scheduled Maturity Date or if such date is not a Business Day, the Maturity Date shall be such date after adjustments, if applicable, in accordance with the Business Day Convention specified in the relevant Final Terms as the **"Maturity Date Business Day Convention"**;

**"Maximum Exercise Number"** means the number specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Minimum Exercise Number"** means the number specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Minimum Trading Number"** means the minimum number of the Instruments which may be transferred in each transaction as specified in the relevant Final Terms pursuant to General Instrument Condition 5(b) (*Transfers*);

**"Monte Titoli"** means the dematerialised securities post-trading system devoted to the centralised administration of financial instruments operated by Monte Titoli S.p.A.;

**"Monte Titoli Holder"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 4(f) (*Monte Titoli Registered Instruments*);

**"Monte Titoli Registered Instruments"** means Instruments cleared through Monte Titoli;

**"Multi-Asset Basket Linked Instruments"** means any Instruments specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"New Issuer"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 22 (*Substitution*);

**"NFIA Act"** means the Norwegian Securities Register Act of 2002 (in Norwegian: *lov om registrering av finansielle instrumenter av 5 juli 2002 nr. 64*);

**"Nominal Amount"** means the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount"** means, on any day:

- (i) in respect of a Certificate, if **"Par"** is specified in the relevant Final Terms, an amount in the Settlement Currency equal to the Nominal Amount; or
- (ii) if **"Fair Market Value"** is specified in the relevant Final Terms, an amount, in the Settlement Currency, which shall be determined by the Calculation Agent, based on the quotes of three Qualified Financial Institutions, as the suitable market price of an Instrument, taking into account its remaining present value, immediately before the redemption. In the event that quotes are not able to be obtained from three Qualified Financial Institutions, the amount shall be determined in good faith by the Calculation Agent as the fair market value of the Instrument, taking into account the remaining present value, immediately before the redemption, and, only if **"Adjusted for any reasonable expenses and costs"** is specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms, adjusted to account fully for any reasonable expenses and costs of the Issuer and/or its affiliates, including, those relating to the unwinding of any underlying and/or related hedging and funding arrangements, as determined by the Calculation Agent;

**"Nordic Registered Instruments"** means Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments, VPS Registered Instruments and Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments;

**"Norwegian Cash Transfer Account"** means a cash account in Norwegian Krone and in the name of the Norwegian Programme Agent on behalf of the Issuer from which the Norwegian Programme Agent makes payments to VPS Holders;

**"Norwegian Custody Cash Account"** means a cash account in Norwegian Krone opened in the name of the Issuer and maintained by the Norwegian Programme Agent;

**"Norwegian Krone"** and **"NOK"** mean the lawful currency of Norway;

**"Norwegian Programme Agent"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(b) (*Programme Agreement*);

**"Notional Amount per Certificate"** means the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Number of Automatic Early Exercise Settlement Period Business Days"** means the number of Business Days which the Calculation Agent anticipates, as of the Strike Date, shall fall in the period commencing on, but excluding, the Scheduled Applicable Date corresponding to the relevant Applicable Date, and ending on, and including, the corresponding Scheduled Automatic Early Exercise Date in respect of such Applicable Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent;

**"Number of Settlement Period Business Days"** means the number of Business Days which the Calculation Agent anticipates, as at the Strike Date, shall fall in the period commencing on, but excluding, the Scheduled Determination Date, and ending on, and including, the Scheduled Maturity Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent;

**"OM system"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 8(m) (*Settlement – Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments*);

**"Permitted Multiple"** means the number specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Permitted Trading Multiple"** means the number specified as such in the relevant Final Terms pursuant to General Instrument Condition 5(b) (*Transfers*);

**"Physical Settlement Amount"** means the amount of Deliverable Assets to be delivered in respect of an Instrument pursuant to General Instrument Condition 7(e) (*Physical Settlement*);

**"Physical Settlement Date"** means the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Physical Settlement Disruption Amount"** means the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Physical Settlement Disruption Event"** means any event that has occurred as a result of which, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the Issuer cannot, or it is commercially impracticable for the Issuer to effect Physical Settlement of all or any of the Deliverable Assets

**"Principal Financial Centre"** means, in relation to any currency, the principal financial centre for that currency provided, however, that:

- (i) in relation to euro, it means the principal financial centre of such Member State of the European Communities as is selected (in the case of a payment) by the payee or (in the case of a calculation) by the Calculation Agent;
- (ii) in relation to Australian dollars, it means either Sydney or Melbourne and, in relation to New Zealand dollars, it means either Wellington or Auckland; in each case as is selected (in the case of a payment) by the payee or (in the case of a calculation) by the Calculation Agent; and
- (iii) in relation to USD, it means New York City,

unless the relevant Final Terms specify **"Non-Default Principal Financial Centre"** to be applicable, in which case "Principal Financial Centre" means, in relation to any currency, the principal financial centre(s) for that currency as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Principal Programme Agent"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(b) (*Programme Agreement*);

**"Proceedings"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 26 (*Jurisdiction*);

**"Programme"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(a) (*Programme*);

**"Programme Agents"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(b) (*Programme Agreement*);

**"Programme Agreement"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(b) (*Programme Agreement*);

**"Qualified Financial Institution"** means, for the purpose of determining the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount at any time where "Fair Market Value" is specified in the relevant Final Terms, a financial institution organised under the laws of any jurisdiction in the United States of America or Europe, which at that time has outstanding debt obligations with a stated maturity of one year or less from the date of issue and rated either:

- (i) A-1 or higher by Standard & Poor's Ratings Group or any successor, or any other comparable rating then used by that rating agency; or
- (ii) P-1 or higher by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or any successor, or any other comparable rating then used by that rating agency;

**"Record Date"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 11(d) (*Payment in respect of Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments; Swedish Programme Agent*), General Instrument Condition 11(e) (*Payment in respect of VPS Registered Instruments; Norwegian Programme Agent*), General Instrument Condition 11(f) (*Payments of Interest and Principal in accordance with the Euroclear Finland Rules*) and General Instrument Condition 11(g) (*Record Date*);

**"Reference Price"** means, in respect of any relevant day and if the Underlying Asset specified in the relevant Final Terms is:

- (i) a Share, the Closing Share Price of the Share on such day; or
- (ii) an Index, the Closing Index Level of the Index on such day; or
- (iii) a Commodity, the Commodity Reference Price of the Commodity on such day; or
- (iv) a Commodity Index, the Closing Level of the Commodity Index on such day; or
- (v) an FX Rate, the Currency Price on such day; or
- (vi) an Inflation Index, the level of the Inflation Index published for the Relevant Reference Month immediately preceding such day;

**"Registered Instruments"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(f) (*Deed of Covenant*);

**"Regular Period"** means:

- (a) in the case of Instruments where interest is scheduled to be paid only by means of regular payments, each period from and including the Interest Commencement Date to but excluding the first Interest Payment Date and each successive period from and including one Interest Payment Date to but excluding the next Interest Payment Date;
- (b) in the case of Instruments where, apart from the first Interest Period, interest is scheduled to be paid only by means of regular payments, each period from and including a Regular Date falling in any year to but excluding the next Regular Date, where **"Regular Date"** means the day and month (but not the year) on which any Interest Payment Date falls; and



- (c) in the case of Instruments where, apart from one Interest Period other than the first Interest Period, interest is scheduled to be paid only by means of regular payments, each period from and including a Regular Date falling in any year to but excluding the next Regular Date, where "**Regular Date**" means the day and month (but not the year) on which any Interest Payment Date falls other than the Interest Payment Date falling at the end of the irregular Interest Period;

**"Regulations"** means the Uncertificated Instruments Regulations 2001 (SI 2001 No. 3755) as amended from time to time;

**"Relevant Clearing System"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 7(h) (*Instruments Void on Expiration*);

**"Relevant Determination Date"** means the Adjusted Final FX Valuation Date, the Latest Reference Date in respect of the Valuation Date, the Valuation Date, the Latest Reference Date in respect of the Last Averaging Date, the Last Averaging Date, the Latest Reference Date in respect of the Pricing Date, the Pricing Date, or such other date specified as such, each as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Relevant Reference Month"** means each month(s) specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Relevant Rules"** means the terms and conditions, rules, regulations or other procedures governing the use of Clearstream, Luxembourg, Euroclear and/or such other relevant Clearing System, as may be amended, updated or replaced from time to time;

**"Relevant Settlement System"** means Euroclear France, Monte Titoli or CREST, as the case may be;

**"Resolution"** has the meaning given in the Programme Agreement;

**"Scheduled Applicable Date"** means the original date, prior to adjustment, if any, on which the relevant Applicable Date is scheduled to fall;

**"Scheduled Determination Date"** means the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Scheduled Maturity Date"** means the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"second currency"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 20 (*Currency Indemnity*);

**"Series"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(d) (*Final Terms*);

**"Settlement Amount"** means, in respect of an Instrument, the amount determined in accordance with the relevant Instrument Payout Conditions which are specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Settlement Currency"** means the currency specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"SFIA Act"** means the Swedish Financial Instruments Accounts Act (SFS 1998:1479);

**"Share Linked Instruments"** are any Instruments specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Share Linked Conditions"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(c) (*Terms and Conditions*);

**"Shares"** has the meaning given to it in the Share Linked Conditions;

**"Specified Day(s)"** means such number of Business Day(s), Clearing System Business Day(s) or calendar days as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Specified Decimal Place"** means, in relation to the rounding of any relevant amount pursuant to General Instrument Condition 21 (*Rounding*), such number of decimal place(s) as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Specified Exercise Date"** means each date as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Specified Exercise Time"** means the time in the place (if applicable) as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Specified Office"** in respect of each Agent, has the meaning given in the Programme Agreement;

**"Specified Sub-Unit"** means, in relation to the rounding of any relevant currency amount pursuant to General Instrument Condition 21 (*Rounding*), an amount of such currency that is available as legal tender in the country of such currency as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Strike Date"** means the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Strike Price"** means the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Swedish Cash Transfer Account"** means a cash account in Swedish Krona and in the name of the Swedish Programme Agent on behalf of the Issuer from which the Swedish Programme Agent makes payments to Euroclear Sweden Holders;

**"Swedish Custody Cash Account"** means a cash account in Swedish Krona opened in the name of the Issuer and maintained by the Swedish Programme Agent;

**"Swedish Krona"** means the lawful currency of Sweden;

**"Swedish Programme Agent"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(b) (*Programme Agreement*);

**"TARGET Settlement Day"** means any day on which the TARGET2 System is open;

**"TARGET2 System"** means the Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System, or any successor thereto;

**"Taxes"** means any applicable stamp duty, stamp duty reserve tax, estate, inheritance, gift, transfer, capital gains, corporation, income, property, withholding and/or other taxes or duties incurred, or any expenses, costs or fees (and, except in the case of its Hedge Positions other brokerage commissions) incurred by, imposed on or assessed to the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) in connection with the issue, transfer or exercise of any Instruments, or its Hedge Positions or otherwise in connection with the transfer of cash dividends, Deliverable Assets or Physical Settlement, including, but not limited to, any cost related to or arising out of any default or delay by any broker, dealer, clearing house or hedge counterparty and includes any taxes, expenses and charges incurred through, imposed on or assessed to the Hedge Positions entered into in respect of the Instruments, without regard to any refunds, credits or any other benefit or reduction that may accrue thereon through tax treaties or any other arrangements;

**"Tranche"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(d) (*Final Terms*);

**"Transfer Certificate"** means a transfer certificate in the form set out in the Programme Agreement;

**"Underlying Asset"** means the a Share, an Index, a Commodity, a Commodity Index, an FX Rate, an Inflation Index, as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Underlying Asset Conditions"** has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(c) (*Terms and Conditions*);

**"USD"** means the United States dollar, being the lawful currency of the United States of America;

"**USD Equivalent Amount**" has the meaning given in FX Linked Condition 3 (*Definitions*);

"**Valuation Date**" in respect of an Underlying Asset, has the meaning given in the applicable Underlying Asset Conditions;

"**VPS**" means Verdipapirsentralen ASA, the Norwegian Central Securities Depository;

"**VPS Holder**" has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 4(c) (*VPS Registered Instruments*);

"**VPS Register**" means the register opened in the VPS System for VPS Registered Instruments;

"**VPS Registered Instruments**" means any Tranche of Instruments registered with VPS and issued in uncertificated and dematerialised book-entry form in accordance with the NFIA Act;

"**VPS Rules**" means the NFIA Act and all other applicable Norwegian laws, regulations and operating procedures applicable to and/or issued by the VPS from time to time;

"**VPS System**" means the technical system at VPS for the registration of instruments and the clearing and settlement of instrument transactions; and

"**Warrants**" has the meaning given in General Instrument Condition 1(b) (*Programme Agreement*).

(b) *Interpretation*: In these General Instrument Conditions:

- (i) references in these General Instrument Conditions to Instruments are to the Instruments of the relevant Series;
- (ii) capitalised terms used but not defined in these General Instrument Conditions will have the meanings given to them in the relevant Final Terms, the absence of any such meaning indicating that such term is not applicable to the Instruments of the relevant Series; and
- (iii) references to Instruments being "outstanding" shall be construed in accordance with the Programme Agreement.

### 3. **Form**

- (a) Each Tranche of Instruments (other than Nordic Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments) will at all times be represented by a registered global warrant or a registered global certificate (in either form, the "**Global Instrument**") deposited on the Issue Date with and registered in the name of, (i) in the case of Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments, a nominee for a common depository for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, or (ii) in the case of Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Euroclear France.
- (b) Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments will be constituted by the Deed of Covenant and will be issued in registered, uncertificated and dematerialised form in accordance with the SFIA Act.
- (c) VPS Registered Instruments will be constituted by the Deed of Covenant and will be issued in registered, uncertificated and dematerialised form in accordance with the VPS Rules.
- (d) Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments will be constituted by the Deed of Covenant and will be issued in registered, uncertificated and dematerialised form in accordance with the Finnish Regulations.
- (e) The CREST Registered Instruments and the Monte Titoli Registered Instruments are constituted by the Deed of Covenant and are issued in registered and uncertificated form. The CREST Registered Instruments and the Monte Titoli Registered Instruments comprise registered Instruments which for the time being are uncertificated Instruments in accordance

with, in the case of CREST Registered Instruments, the Regulations. The Instruments will be issued and transferred in uncertificated form through the Relevant Settlement System.

- (f) No Instruments will be issued in definitive or certificated form.

4. **Title**

- (a) *Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments*: In respect of Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments, the person for the time being appearing in the books of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as the holder of a particular number or nominal amount of such Instruments (in which regard any certificate or document issued by Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear France as to the number or nominal amount, as the case may be, of such Instruments standing to the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes save in the case of manifest error or proven error) shall be treated by the Issuer, the Programme Agents, Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, and all other persons dealing with such person as the holder thereof (a "**Euroclear/Clearstream Holder**") and as the person entitled to exercise the rights represented thereby for all purposes other than with respect to the payment of any amounts payable in respect of such number or nominal amount, as the case may be, of such Instruments, for which purpose the common depositary or, as the case may be, its nominee in respect of the relevant Global Instrument shall be treated by the Issuer and any Agent as the holder of such number or nominal amount, as the case may be, of such Instruments in accordance with and subject to the terms of the Global Instrument; and the expression "**Euroclear/Clearstream Holder**" and related expressions shall be construed accordingly, notwithstanding any notice to the contrary, except that (i) Euroclear shall not be treated as the Holder of any Instrument held in an account with Clearstream, Luxembourg, on behalf of Euroclear's accountholders and (ii) Clearstream, Luxembourg shall not be treated as the Holder of any Instrument held in an account with Euroclear, on behalf of Clearstream, Luxembourg's accountholders.
- (b) *Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments*: In respect of Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments, the person for the time being shown in the Euroclear Sweden Register shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer, the Programme Agents, Euroclear Sweden and all other persons dealing with such person as the holder thereof (a "**Euroclear Sweden Holder**") and as the person entitled to exercise the rights represented thereby notwithstanding any notice to the contrary.
- (c) *VPS Registered Instruments*: In respect of VPS Registered Instruments, the person for the time being shown in the VPS Register shall, in accordance with the VPS Rules, be treated for all purposes by the Issuer, the Programme Agents, VPS and all other persons dealing with such person as the holder thereof (a "**VPS Holder**") and as the person entitled to exercise the rights represented thereby notwithstanding any notice to the contrary.
- (d) *Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments*: In respect of Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, the person for the time being shown in the Euroclear Finland Register shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer, the Programme Agents, Euroclear Finland and all other persons dealing with such person as the holder thereof (an "**Euroclear Finland Holder**") and as the person entitled to exercise the rights represented thereby notwithstanding any notice to the contrary.
- (e) *CREST Registered Instruments*: In respect of CREST Registered Instruments, the Issuer will cause the CREST Register to be maintained in respect of CREST Registered Instruments (in accordance with the Regulations) and the person for the time being shown in the CREST Register shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer, the Programme Agents, CREST and all other persons dealing with such person as the holder thereof (a "**CREST Holder**") and as the person entitled to exercise the rights represented thereby notwithstanding any notice to the contrary.
- (f) *Monte Titoli Registered Instruments*: In respect of Monte Titoli Registered Instruments the person for the time being appearing in the books of Monte Titoli as the holder of an Instrument shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer, the Programme Agents, Monte Titoli and all other persons dealing with such person as the holder thereof (a "**Monte Titoli Holder**") and as

the person entitled to exercise the rights represented thereby notwithstanding any notice to the contrary.

- (g) *Euroclear France Registered Instruments*: In respect of Euroclear France Registered Instruments, the person for the time being shown in the books of the Euroclear France Account Holder shall be treated for all purposes by the Issuer, the Programme Agents, Euroclear France and all other persons dealing with such person as the holder thereof (a "**Euroclear France Holder**") and as the person entitled to exercise the rights represented thereby notwithstanding any notice to the contrary.
- (h) *Disclaimer as to Clearing Systems and their agents and operators*: Any description in these General Instrument Conditions as to payments being made or any other actions or duties being undertaken by any Clearing System (or its agents or operators) is based solely on the Issuer's understanding of the relevant rules and/or operations of such Clearing System (and its agents and operators). Neither the Issuer nor (if applicable) the Guarantor makes any representation or warranty that such information is accurate or, in any event, that the relevant Clearing System (or its agents or operators) will make such payments or undertake such actions or duties in accordance with such description. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything else herein, none of the Issuer, the Guarantor (if applicable) or the Agents has any responsibility for the performance by any Clearing System (or its agents or operators) of their respective payment, delivery, Holder identification, or other obligations in respect of the Instruments as described herein and/or under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

## 5. Transfers

- (a) Transfers of Instruments which are held in a Clearing System may be effected only through the Clearing System(s) in which the Instruments to be transferred are held. Title will pass, other than in the case of Nordic Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments, upon registration of the transfer in the books of Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or the Euroclear France Account Holder, as applicable, or:
  - (i) in the case of Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments, upon entry in the Euroclear Sweden Register and in accordance with the SFIA Act;
  - (ii) in the case of VPS Registered Instruments, upon entry in the VPS Register and in accordance with the VPS Rules;
  - (iii) in the case of Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, upon entry in the Euroclear Finland Register and in accordance with the Finnish Regulations;
  - (iv) in the case of Monte Titoli Registered Instruments, upon entry in the register maintained by Monte Titoli; or
  - (v) in the case of CREST Registered Instruments, in accordance with the Regulations of CREST.
- (b) Any number of Instruments may be transferred in a transaction in the Instruments unless (i) the Instruments are listed on a stock exchange and the rules of that stock exchange govern the number of Instruments which may be transferred in a transaction in the Instruments, in which case the applicable rules of that stock exchange as amended from time to time must be complied with, or (ii) the relevant Final Terms specifies a "**Minimum Trading Number**", in which case the smallest number of Instruments that may be transferred in a transaction in the Instruments shall be the Minimum Trading Number (and, if a "**Permitted Trading Multiple**" is also specified in the relevant Final Terms, the smallest number of Instruments that may be transferred in a transaction in the Instruments shall be the Minimum Trading Number, or, if more than the Minimum Trading Number of Instruments is to be transferred in a transaction in the Instruments, the Instruments must be transferred in a number equal to the sum of the Minimum Trading Number plus an integral multiple of the Permitted Trading Multiple), or such other Minimum Trading Number or other Permitted Trading Multiple (or both) as the Issuer may from time to time notify the Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*).

6. **Status and Guaranty**

(a) *Status of the Instruments*

The Instruments constitute direct, unsubordinated, unconditional and unsecured obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* among themselves.

(b) *Guaranty*

The payment and delivery obligations of the Issuer in respect of the Instruments are guaranteed by GSG pursuant to the Guaranty (in the case of all Instruments), as set out in General Instrument Condition 1(e) (*Guaranty*).

***GSG is only obliged to pay the Physical Settlement Disruption Amount instead of delivery of the Deliverable Assets if the Issuer has failed to deliver the Physical Settlement Amount.***

7. **Exercise Rights**

- (a) *American Style Exercise*: If the Instruments are specified in the relevant Final Terms as being American Style Instruments, then this General Instrument Condition 7(a) is applicable and the Instruments are exercisable on any Business Day during the Exercise Period, subject to prior termination of the Instruments as provided in General Instrument Condition 14 (*Change of applicable law*).

This General Instrument Condition 7(a) is not applicable to Nordic Registered Instruments.

- (b) *European Style Exercise*: If the Instruments are specified in the relevant Final Terms as being European Style Instruments, then this General Instrument Condition 7(b) is applicable and the Instruments are exercisable only on the Expiration Date, subject to prior termination of the Instruments as provided in General Instrument Condition 14 (*Change of applicable law*).

- (c) *Bermudan Style Exercise*: If the Instruments are specified in the relevant Final Terms as being Bermudan Style Instruments, then this General Instrument Condition 7(c) is applicable and the Instruments are exercisable only on the Specified Exercise Dates during the Exercise Period and on the Expiration Date.

This General Instrument Condition 7(c) is not applicable to Nordic Registered Instruments.

- (d) *Cash Settlement*: Subject to General Instrument Condition 4(h) (*Disclaimer as to Clearing Systems and their agents and operators*), General Instrument Condition 7(e) (*Physical Settlement*) or General Instrument Condition 7(f) (*Holder's Election for Physical Settlement*), if the relevant Final Terms specify Cash Settlement to be applicable, upon the exercise or deemed exercise of an Instrument by a Holder, such Holder shall be entitled to receive from the Issuer on the Maturity Date the Settlement Amount less any Taxes. The Settlement Amount will be rounded in accordance with General Instrument Condition 21 (*Rounding*), with Instruments exercised at the same time by the same Holder being aggregated for the purpose of determining the aggregate Settlement Amount payable in respect of such Instruments.

- (e) *Physical Settlement*: If the relevant Final Terms specify "Physical Settlement" to be applicable, upon the exercise or deemed exercise of an Instrument by a Holder, the Issuer shall transfer or procure the transfer on the Physical Settlement Date (in respect of such Instrument exercised by the Holder) of the Physical Settlement Amount in respect of each Instrument so exercised to the account specified for that purpose by the Holder in the relevant Exercise Notice ("**Physical Settlement**"), and following payment by the Holder to or to the order of the Issuer on or before the Physical Settlement Date of the Strike Price (if specified in the relevant Final Terms) and, if applicable, all Taxes and stamp duties, transaction costs, and any other costs incurred by the Issuer and any of its affiliates in the delivery of the Deliverable Assets to the relevant Holder (such sums, the "**Delivery Expenses**"), all as more fully described in General Instrument Condition 8 (*Exercise Procedure*) and delivery of the Deliverable Assets shall take place only after the Delivery Expenses (if any) have been paid by such Holder to or to the order of the Issuer. No Instrument shall confer on a Holder any right to acquire the

Deliverable Assets and the Issuer is not obliged to purchase or hold the Deliverable Assets. The delivery of the Physical Settlement Amount shall be made (i) if practicable and in respect of Securities represented by a Global Instrument, to the relevant Clearing System for the credit of the account of the Holder or (ii) in such other commercially reasonable manner as the Issuer shall determine to be appropriate for such delivery and will, where appropriate and if practicable, notify the Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*). By purchasing or exercising an Instrument, the relevant Holder shall be deemed to have agreed to such form of settlement as provided herein. The obligation of the Issuer to deliver Shares is limited to the delivery of Shares having the characteristics and in the form that allows delivery via the relevant Clearing System and does not include registration of the Holder in the share register or in the list of shareholders, and none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any other person shall have any liability for any such failure of (or delay in) registration.

This General Instrument Condition 7(e) is not applicable to Nordic Registered Instruments.

- (f) *Holder's Election for Physical Settlement:* If the relevant Final Terms specify "Holder's Election for Physical Settlement" to be applicable, upon the exercise of an Instrument by a Holder, such Holder may in the Exercise Notice elect not to receive the Settlement Amount as described in General Instrument Condition 7(d) (*Cash Settlement*), but instead, subject to a Physical Settlement Disruption Event, request the Issuer to transfer or procure the transfer of the Deliverable Assets in respect of each Instrument so exercised and such Exercise Notice will be irrevocable notice to the Issuer. Neither the Instruments nor the Exercise Notice confers any right on the Holder to acquire the Deliverable Assets and the Issuer is not obliged to purchase, hold or deliver the Deliverable Assets until the Holder has paid the Strike Price (if specified in the relevant Final Terms) and/or any Taxes (if applicable).

This General Instrument Condition 7(f) is not applicable to Nordic Registered Instruments, Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments.

- (g) *Settlement Disruption:* If, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, delivery of the Physical Settlement Amount in accordance with General Instrument Condition 7(e) is not practicable by reason of a Physical Settlement Disruption Event having occurred and being continuing on the Physical Settlement Date, then the Physical Settlement Date shall be postponed to the first following Business Day in respect of which there is no such Physical Settlement Disruption Event, provided that, the Issuer may elect in its sole discretion to satisfy its obligations in respect of the relevant Instrument by delivering or procuring the delivery of the Physical Settlement Amount using such other commercially reasonable manner as it may select and in such event the Physical Settlement Date shall be such day as the Issuer deems appropriate in connection with delivery of the Physical Settlement Amount in such other commercially reasonable manner. For the avoidance of doubt, where a Physical Settlement Disruption Event affects some but not all of the Deliverable Assets comprising the Physical Settlement Amount, the Physical Settlement Date for the Deliverable Assets not affected by the Physical Settlement Disruption Event will be the originally designated Physical Settlement Date. For so long as delivery of the Physical Settlement Amount is not practicable by reason of a Physical Settlement Disruption Event, then in lieu of physical settlement and notwithstanding any other provision hereof the Issuer may elect in its sole and absolute discretion to satisfy its obligations in respect of the relevant Instrument by payment to the relevant Holder of the Physical Settlement Disruption Amount on the fifth Business Day following the date that notice of such election is given to the Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*). Payment of the Physical Settlement Disruption Amount will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders that a Physical Settlement Disruption Event has occurred. No Holder shall be entitled to any payment in respect of the relevant Instrument in the event of any delay in the delivery of the Physical Settlement Amount due to the occurrence of a Physical Settlement Disruption Event and no liability in respect thereof shall attach to the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Calculation Agent or the Programme Agents.
- (h) *Instruments Void on Expiration:* Any Euroclear/Clearstream Instrument with respect to which no Exercise Notice has been received by any of the Calculation Agent, Euroclear or

Clearstream, Luxembourg (the "**Relevant Clearing System**") or the Principal Programme Agent, in accordance with the provisions of General Instrument Condition 8 (*Exercise Procedure*), at or prior to 10.00 a.m. (or such other Specified Exercise Time) in Brussels, Luxembourg or the Local Exercise Place, if applicable, as the case may be), on the Expiration Date, may, at the discretion of the Calculation Agent, become null and void.

This General Instrument Condition 7(h) is not applicable to Nordic Registered Instruments, Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments.

(i) *Automatic Exercise – Instruments other than Nordic Registered Instruments, Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments:*

(i) If the Instruments are specified in the relevant Final Terms as being "Automatic Exercise Instruments" then this General Instrument Condition 7(i) is applicable and any Instruments in respect of which an Exercise Notice has not been duly completed and delivered, in the case of (A) American Style Instruments, on the last Business Day in the relevant Exercise Period by 10.00 a.m. (Brussels or Luxembourg time, as the case may be) or, if a Local Exercise Place is specified in the relevant Final Terms, 10.00 a.m. in Brussels or Luxembourg, as the case may be, if such Business Day falls prior to the Expiration Date, or in the Local Exercise Place, if such Business Day falls on the Expiration Date), (B) European Style Instruments or Bermudan Style Instruments, by 10.00 a.m. in Brussels or Luxembourg, as the case may be) on the Expiration Date or (C) if General Instrument Condition 7(f) (*Holder's Election for Physical Settlement*) is specified as being applicable and such Instruments are In-the-Money at the relevant time on the Expiration Date (as determined by the Calculation Agent), such Instruments shall be deemed to have been exercised on the Expiration Date, subject to (x) prior termination of the Instruments as provided in General Instrument Condition 14 (*Change of applicable law*) and (y) as provided in paragraph (ii) below, and, if General Instrument Condition 7(f) (*Holder's Election for Physical Settlement*) is specified, Physical Settlement shall apply. For the avoidance of doubt, in relation to Instruments where this General Instrument Condition 7(i) and General Instrument Condition 7(f) (*Holder's Election for Physical Settlement*) are specified as being applicable, any Instruments in respect of which an Exercise Notice has been duly completed and delivered at the relevant time and which are In-the-Money at the relevant time on the Expiration Date (as determined by the Calculation Agent) shall be deemed to have been exercised on such date, subject to prior termination of the Instruments as provided in General Instrument Condition 14 (*Change of applicable law*).

(ii) If this General Instrument Condition 7(i) is applicable and the Instruments are admitted to trading on the SeDeX market managed by Borsa Italiana, then this paragraph (ii) is applicable and any Holder may waive its right to automatic exercise of the Instruments under this General Instrument Condition 7(i) by completing and delivering a notice (a "**Waiver of Exercise Notice**"), substantially in the form available from the Italian Programme Agent, and such Waiver of Exercise Notice to be received by the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and the relevant Programme Agent by no later than 10.00 a.m. (Milan time) on the Expiration Date or such other time and date as is specified in the relevant Final Terms. A Waiver of Exercise Notice is irrevocable.

(iii) If the relevant Final Terms specify General Instrument Condition 7(i)(iii) to be applicable, the Issuer shall be under no obligation to settle any Instrument under this General Instrument Condition 7(i) until (and the Maturity Date or, as the case may be, the Physical Settlement Date in respect of such Instrument shall be) the third Business Day (or such other Specified Day(s)) following the day on which the Holder has delivered an Exercise Notice in accordance with General Instrument Condition 8(a) (*Exercise Notice – Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments only*); provided that if the relevant Holder has not delivered an Exercise Notice within 30 Business Days of the deemed Exercise Date, such Instruments may, at the discretion of the Calculation Agent, become null and void.



- (j) *Automatic Exercise – Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments:*
- (i) If the Issuer would have been obliged to make payment of a Settlement Amount on (i) in respect of any European Style Instruments, any Exercise Date or (ii) in respect of any American Style Instruments or Bermudan Style Instruments, the Expiration Date to the Holder of such Instrument had such Instrument been exercised by the relevant Holder, such Instrument will, subject to paragraph (ii) below, be automatically exercised on such Exercise Date or such Expiration Date, as applicable, and the provisions of General Instrument Condition 8 (*Exercise Procedure*) shall be deemed to have been observed and will apply in respect of such exercise procedure.
  - (ii) If any Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments or CREST Registered Instruments are admitted to trading on the SeDeX market managed by Borsa Italiana, then any Holder may waive its right to automatic exercise of the Instruments under this General Instrument Condition 7(j) by completing and delivering a Waiver of Exercise Notice, substantially in the form available from the Italian Programme Agent (as applicable) to be received by the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and the relevant Programme Agent by no later than 10.00 a.m. (Milan time) on the Exercise Date (in respect of European Style Instruments), the Expiration Date (in respect of American Style or Bermudan Style Instruments) or such other time and date as is specified in the relevant Final Terms. A Waiver of Exercise Notice is irrevocable.
- (k) *Payments on Business Days:* If the date specified for payment of any amount in respect of any Instrument is not a Business Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment of the amount due until the next succeeding Business Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of any such delay.

## 8. Exercise Procedure

- (a) *Exercise Notice – Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments only:* Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments may be exercised by delivery in writing of a duly completed Exercise Notice to be received by:
- (i) the Calculation Agent and the Relevant Clearing System by not later than 10.00 a.m., Brussels or Luxembourg time, as the case may be (or such other Specified Exercise Time);
  - (ii) the Principal Programme Agent by not later than 10.00 a.m., Frankfurt time, (or such other Specified Exercise Time); and
  - (iii) if a Local Exercise Place is specified in the relevant Final Terms, the Calculation Agent by not later than 10.00 a.m., in the Local Exercise Place (or such other Specified Exercise Time):
    - (A) in the case of American Style Instruments, on any Business Day during the Exercise Period;
    - (B) in the case of European Style Instruments, on the Expiration Date (or, if that is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day); or
    - (C) in the case of Bermudan Style Instruments, on the Specified Exercise Date(s) or the Expiration Date.

Each Exercise Notice shall:

- (1) specify the name, address, telephone and facsimile details of the Holder;
- (2) specify the number of Instruments of each Tranche being exercised;
- (3) specify the number of the Holder's account at the Relevant Clearing System to be debited with the Instruments being exercised and

irrevocably instruct, or, as the case may be, confirm that the Holder has irrevocably instructed, the Relevant Clearing System to debit the Holder's account with the Instruments being exercised and to credit the account of the Principal Programme Agent; and

- (4) specify the number of the Holder's account at the Relevant Clearing System to be credited with the Settlement Amount for the Instruments being exercised;
- (5) include an irrevocable undertaking by the Holder to pay any Taxes and an instruction from the Holder to the Relevant Clearing System to deduct an amount in respect thereof from any Settlement Amount due to such Holder or otherwise to debit (on or at any time after the Maturity Date) a specified account of the Holder at the Relevant Clearing System with an amount or amounts in respect thereof;
- (6) certify that the Instruments are not being exercised by or on behalf of a U.S. person or a person within the United States and the Instruments are not beneficially owned by a U.S. person or a person within the United States (terms in this paragraph (6) have the meanings given to them in the Exercise Notice); and
- (7) authorise the production of such certification in applicable administrative or legal proceedings.

In addition, if the relevant Final Terms specify General Instrument Condition 7(e) (*Physical Settlement*) or General Instrument Condition 7(f) (*Holder's Election for Physical Settlement*) to be applicable, the Exercise Notice shall also:

- (i) (only if General Instrument Condition 7(e) (*Physical Settlement*) or General Instrument Condition 7(f) (*Holder's Election for Physical Settlement*) is specified and, in the case of General Instrument Condition 7(f) (*Holder's Election for Physical Settlement*), the Holder has elected Physical Settlement) irrevocably instruct the Relevant Clearing System to debit on the Maturity Date a specified account of the Holder with the aggregate Strike Price (if relevant) in respect of the Instruments being exercised and to transfer such amount to such account with the Relevant Clearing System as shall have been specified by the Issuer to the Relevant Clearing System for that purpose;
- (ii) include an irrevocable undertaking by the Holder to pay the Delivery Expenses (if any) incurred by reason of the transfer (if any) of the Deliverable Assets to the account at the Relevant Clearing System specified by the Holder in the relevant Exercise Notice and an instruction from the Holder to the Relevant Clearing System to deduct an amount in respect thereof from any Physical Settlement Amount due to such Holder or otherwise to debit (on or at any time after the Maturity Date) a specified account of the Holder at the Relevant Clearing System with an amount or amounts in respect thereof; and
- (iii) specify the number of the Holder's account with the Relevant Clearing System to be credited with the relevant Deliverable Assets.

This General Instrument Condition 8(a) is not applicable to Nordic Registered Instruments, Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments.

- (b) *Exercise Notice – Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments:* Instruments may be exercised by delivery of a duly completed Exercise Notice by the Holder to be received by:
  - (i) in the case of Euroclear France Registered Instruments, the Calculation Agent and the Euroclear France Account Holder through which their Instruments are held, and copied to the French Programme Agent;
  - (ii) in the case of Monte Titoli Registered Instruments, the Calculation Agent; or

- (iii) in the case of CREST Registered Instruments, the Calculation Agent and the CREST Programme Agent:
  - (A) (in the case of American Style Instruments and Bermuda Style Instruments) not later than 10.00 a.m. (Local Time) (or such other Specified Exercise Time) on any Exercise Date during the Exercise Period or
  - (B) (in the case of European Style Instruments) at any time after 10.00 a.m. (Local Time) (or such other Specified Exercise Time) on the Business Day immediately preceding the relevant Exercise Date but not later than 10.00 a.m. (Local Time) (or such other Specified Exercise Time) on the relevant Exercise Date:
    - (1) specifying the number of Instruments of each Series or Tranche being exercised;
    - (2) specifying the number of the Participant ID and Member Account at the Relevant Settlement System or in the case of Euroclear France Registered Instruments, the number of the Euroclear France Account Holder to be debited with the Instruments being exercised and credited with the Settlement Amount or (in any case) any other amount payable by the Issuer to the Holder in connection with the exercise of such Instruments;
    - (3) irrevocably agreeing to input a properly authenticated dematerialised instruction through the Relevant Settlement System or instruct the relevant Euroclear France Account Holder to effect the delivery of the number of Instruments being exercised to the relevant Programme Agent on behalf of the Issuer to the account specified in the Exercise Notice against payment by the Issuer of the Settlement Amount for settlement on the Settlement Date;
    - (4) authorising the Issuer to deduct any Expenses from the Settlement Amount; and
    - (5) certifying that the Instruments are not being exercised by or on behalf of a U.S. person or person within the United States and that the Instruments are not beneficially owned by a U.S. person or persons within the United States or its possessions.
- (c) *Automatic Exercise - Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments:* Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments shall be deemed to have been exercised by 10.00 a.m. (Stockholm time) on the Expiration Date (and if the relevant Final Terms specify "Expiration Date is Business Day Adjusted" to be applicable, if such date is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day).
- (d) *Automatic Exercise - VPS Registered Instruments:* VPS Registered Instruments shall be deemed to have been exercised by 11.00 p.m. (Oslo time) on the Expiration Date (and if the relevant Final Terms specify "Expiration Date is Business Day Adjusted" to be applicable, if such date is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day).
- (e) *Automatic Exercise - Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments:* Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments shall be deemed to have been exercised by 10.00 a.m. (Helsinki time) on the Expiration Date (and if the relevant Final Terms specify "Expiration Date is Business Day Adjusted" to be applicable, if such date is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day).
- (f) *Failure to Exercise – Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments:* Any Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments or CREST Registered Instruments with respect to which no Exercise Notice has been received by the relevant Programme Agent and the Calculation Agent, or, in the case of Monte Titoli Registered Instruments, the Calculation

Agent, in the manner set out in General Instrument Condition 8(b) (*Exercise Notice – Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments*), at or prior to 10.00 a.m. (Local Time) (or such other Specified Exercise Time) on the relevant Expiration Date shall be automatically exercised on the Expiration Date (and the Exercise Date for such Instruments will be the Expiration Date) subject to and in accordance with the provisions of General Instrument Condition 7(i) (*Automatic Exercise – Instruments other than Nordic Registered Instruments, Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments*).

- (g) *Verification of the Holder – Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments only*: Upon receipt of an Exercise Notice, the Principal Programme Agent shall request the Relevant Clearing System to confirm in writing to the Principal Programme Agent, the Calculation Agent and the Issuer, that, according to the books of the Relevant Clearing System, the person exercising the Instruments referred to in the Exercise Notice is the holder thereof. If the number of Instruments specified in such Exercise Notice exceeds the number of Instruments held in the specified account of the person exercising the relevant Instruments, the Exercise Notice shall become null and void, and the Principal Programme Agent shall so notify the Issuer and the Calculation Agent. If the number of Instruments specified in such Exercise Notice does not exceed the number of Instruments held in such specified account then, on or prior to the Maturity Date, the Relevant Clearing System will debit such account with the Instruments being exercised (but without prejudice to the accrued rights of the relevant Holder).
- (h) *Verification of the Holder – Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments only*: Upon receipt of any Exercise Notice, the relevant Programme Agent or, in the case of Monte Titoli Registered Instruments, the Calculation Agent, will verify that the person exercising the Instruments specified therein was, on the relevant Exercise Date, the Holder thereof according to the rules of Euroclear France or Monte Titoli or the CREST Register, as the case may be. If such relevant Programme Agent or Calculation Agent is unable so to verify, such Exercise Notice shall be deemed not have been given.
- (i) *Election of Settlement Method – Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments only*: If General Instrument Condition 7(e) (*Physical Settlement*) or General Instrument Condition 7(f) (*Holder's Election for Physical Settlement*) is specified in the relevant Final Terms to be applicable, the Issuer will, by the close of business (London time) on the Business Day following the relevant Valuation Date, notify the Relevant Clearing System, the Principal Programme Agent and (if applicable) the relevant Holder, if the Issuer or, as the case may be, the Holder has elected for Physical Settlement. If General Instrument Condition 7(e) (*Physical Settlement*) is specified to be applicable, notice to the relevant Holder shall be given by facsimile to the number specified in the relevant Exercise Notice and any notice so sent shall be deemed received by the relevant Holder. The Relevant Clearing System will on or before the Maturity Date debit the relevant account of the Holder and credit the relevant account of the Principal Programme Agent (in favour of the Issuer) with the Instruments being exercised and, if the Issuer or, as the case may be, the Holder has elected for Physical Settlement, with the aggregate Strike Price (if specified in the relevant Final Terms) in respect of the Instruments exercised together with any applicable Taxes (if any). If the Issuer or, as the case may be, the Holder has elected for Physical Settlement and the aggregate Strike Price (if specified in the relevant Final Terms) in respect of the Instruments exercised together with any applicable Taxes is not so credited, then the Issuer shall be under no obligation to transfer the Deliverable Assets or make payment of any nature to the relevant Holder in respect of the Instruments, and the Exercise Notice delivered in respect of the Instruments shall thereafter be null and void for all purposes.

This General Instrument Condition 8(i) is not applicable to Nordic Registered Instruments, Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments or CREST Registered Instruments.

- (j) *Settlement – Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments only*: Unless the Issuer or, as the case may be, the Holder shall have elected for Physical Settlement, the Issuer shall on and for value on the Maturity Date, transfer an amount equal to the aggregate Settlement Amount of the duly

exercised Instruments to the account of the Principal Programme Agent, whereupon the Principal Programme Agent shall transfer such amount to the account at the Relevant Clearing System specified in the relevant Exercise Notice for value on the Maturity Date. If, however, General Instrument Condition 7(e) (*Physical Settlement*) is specified in the relevant Final Terms to be applicable and the Issuer elects for Physical Settlement or if General Instrument Condition 7(f) (*Holder's Election for Physical Settlement*) is specified to be applicable and the Holder elects for Physical Settlement, then, subject to the Underlying Asset Conditions, on transfer of the Strike Price (if General Instrument Condition 7(e) (*Physical Settlement*) or General Instrument Condition 7(f) (*Holder's Election for Physical Settlement*) is applicable) and any applicable Taxes from the relevant account of the Holder to the relevant account of the Principal Programme Agent (in favour of the Issuer) as aforesaid, the Issuer shall, on the relevant Physical Settlement Date, transfer or procure the transfer of the Deliverable Assets in respect of each relevant Instrument for credit to the account specified in the relevant Exercise Notice.

This General Instrument Condition 8(j) is not applicable to Nordic Registered Instruments, Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments or CREST Registered Instruments and is subject to General Instrument Condition 4(h) (*Disclaimer as to Clearing Systems and their agents and operators*).

- (k) *Settlement - Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments:*
  - (i) No later than the sixth Business Day immediately preceding the Maturity Date of any Tranche of Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments, and in accordance with the Programme Agreement, the Issuer shall transfer an amount equal to the aggregate Settlement Amount of such Tranche to the Swedish Custody Cash Account whereupon the Swedish Programme Agent will transfer such Settlement Amount from the Swedish Custody Cash Account to the Swedish Cash Transfer Account.
  - (ii) Subject to paragraph (i) above and to General Instrument Condition 4(h) (*Disclaimer as to Clearing Systems and their agents and operators*), Euroclear Sweden will debit the Swedish Cash Transfer Account for value on the Maturity Date and forward the Settlement Amount to the Holders in accordance with the Programme Agreement.
- (l) *Settlement - VPS Registered Instruments:*
  - (i) No later than the first Business Day immediately preceding the Maturity Date of any Tranche of VPS Registered Instruments in accordance with the Programme Agreement, the Issuer shall transfer an amount in Norwegian Krone equal to the aggregate Settlement Amount of such Tranche to the Norwegian Custody Cash Account whereupon the Norwegian Programme Agent will transfer such Settlement Amount from the Norwegian Custody Cash Account to the Norwegian Cash Transfer Account to which VPS has access in connection with payments to Holders.
  - (ii) Subject to paragraph (i) above and to General Instrument Condition 4(h) (*Disclaimer as to Clearing Systems and their agents and operators*), VPS will debit the Norwegian Cash Transfer Account for value on the Maturity Date and forward the Settlement Amount to the Holders in accordance with the Programme Agreement.
- (m) *Settlement - Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments:* The settlement of Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments shall be carried out in accordance with the Finnish Regulations.
  - (i) Pursuant to the Finnish Regulations, the last trading day of a Finnish registered warrant and a certificate with comparable terms is five Business Days before the Expiration Date of that instrument (on payment of net value of the instrument) in the relevant Euroclear Finland System in which the Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments are registered (the "**OM system**"). Euroclear Finland provides the Issuer or the Finnish Programme Agent with a calculation of the balances needed for each relevant account operator and agent of an account operator accepted by Euroclear Finland as a member of the OM system in accordance with the Finnish Regulations (the "**Account Operator**"). The Issuer shall transfer an amount in euros equal to the aggregate

Settlement Amount to the Finnish Custody Cash Account one Business Day prior to the Maturity Date so that the relevant Settlement Amount can be transferred to the Account Operators. The Finnish Programme Agent shall transfer the payments to the Account Operators operating on behalf of the Euroclear Finland Holders on the Business Day prior to the Maturity Date by 1.00 p.m. (Helsinki time). The Account Operators shall then forward the payments to the respective Euroclear Finland Holders.

- (ii) In respect of Finnish registered warrants and certificates with comparable terms, the Issuer shall deliver a confirmation of the Settlement Amount to the Finnish Programme Agent to be forwarded to Euroclear Finland five Business Days prior to the Maturity Date. Euroclear Finland provides the Issuer or Finnish Programme Agent with a calculation of the balances needed for each relevant Account Operator. The Issuer shall transfer an amount in euros equal to the aggregate Settlement Amount to the Finnish Custody Cash Account one Business Day prior to the Maturity Date. The Finnish Programme Agent shall transfer the payments to the Account Operators operating on behalf of the Euroclear Finland Holders on the Maturity Date by 10.00 a.m. (Helsinki time). The Account Operators shall then forward the payments to the respective Euroclear Finland Holders.
- (iii) All payment actions relating to Settlement Amounts are subject to detailed deadlines in accordance with the Finnish Regulations.
- (iv) The description in this General Instrument Condition 8(m) (*Settlement – Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments*) as to the payment procedures and other actions of Euroclear Finland and the Account Operator is based solely on the Issuer's understanding of the Finnish Regulations. Neither the Issuer nor (if applicable) the Guarantor makes any representation or warranty that such information is accurate or, in any event, that Euroclear Finland (or its agents or operators) will make such payments or undertake such actions or duties in accordance with such description. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything else herein, none of the Issuer, the Guarantor (if applicable) or the Agents has any responsibility for the performance by Euroclear Finland (or its agents or operators) of their respective payment, delivery, Euroclear Finland Holder identification, or other obligations in respect of the Instruments as described herein and/or under the rules and procedures governing their operations.
- (n) *Settlement – Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments*: Settlement pursuant to General Instrument Condition 8(b) (*Exercise Notice – Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments*) or General Instrument Condition 8(f) (*Failure to Exercise – Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments*) of the Settlement Amount, after deduction of any Expenses which the Issuer is authorised to deduct, shall be made by the Issuer or relevant Programme Agent (on its behalf) on the Settlement Date to the Holder's or Euroclear France Account Holder's account, as the case may be, in the Relevant Settlement System as specified in the Exercise Notice.
- (o) *Determinations – Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments only*: Any determination as to whether an Exercise Notice is duly completed and in proper form shall be made by the Relevant Clearing System, in consultation with the Principal Programme Agent, and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer, the Programme Agents and the relevant Holder. Any Exercise Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form or which is not received by the Principal Programme Agent shall be null and void. If such Exercise Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Relevant Clearing System it shall be deemed to be a new Exercise Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to the Relevant Clearing System.

This General Instrument Condition 8(o) is not applicable to Nordic Registered Instruments, Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments.

- (p) *Determinations – Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments only:* Any determination as to whether an Exercise Notice is duly completed and in proper form shall be made by the relevant Programme Agent, or in the case of Monte Titoli Registered Instruments, by the Calculation Agent, in its sole and absolute discretion and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer, the Programme Agents, the Calculation Agent and the relevant Holder. Any Exercise Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form shall be null and void. If such Exercise Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the relevant Programme Agent or, in the case of Monte Titoli Registered Instruments, the Calculation Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Exercise Notice submitted at the time the correction is delivered.

This General Instrument Condition 8(p) is not applicable to Nordic Registered Instruments or Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments.

- (q) *Effect of Exercise Notice – Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments only:* Delivery of an Exercise Notice shall constitute an irrevocable election and undertaking by the relevant Holder to exercise the Instruments specified therein. After the delivery of an Exercise Notice (other than an Exercise Notice which shall become void pursuant to General Instrument Condition 8(g) (*Verification of the Holder – Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments only*)), the holder of the Instruments specified in such Exercise Notice may not transfer such Instruments prior to the Maturity Date.

Notwithstanding this, if any Holder does so transfer or attempt to transfer such Instruments, the Holder will be liable to the Issuer for any losses, costs and Expenses suffered or incurred by the Issuer including those suffered or incurred as a consequence of it having terminated any related Hedge Positions in reliance on the relevant Exercise Notice and subsequently (i) entering into replacement Hedge Positions in respect of such Instruments or (ii) paying any amount on the subsequent exercise of such Instruments without having entered into any replacement Hedge Positions.

This General Instrument Condition 8(q) is not applicable to Nordic Registered Instruments, Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments.

- (r) *Effect of Exercise Notice – Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments:* Delivery of any Exercise Notice shall constitute an irrevocable election and undertaking by the relevant Holder to exercise the Instruments specified therein in the manner specified therein and in these General Instrument Conditions. After delivery of such Exercise Notice, such exercising Holder may not otherwise transfer such Instruments. Notwithstanding this, if any Holder does so transfer or attempts so to transfer such Instruments, the Holder will be liable to the Issuer for any Expenses suffered or incurred by the Issuer or any of its affiliates through whom it has hedged its position, including those suffered or incurred as a consequence of the Issuer or any of its affiliates through whom it has hedged its position having terminated or commenced any related Hedge Positions in reliance on the relevant Exercise Notice and subsequently (i) entering into replacement Hedge Positions in respect of such Instruments or (ii) paying any amount on the subsequent exercise of such Instruments without having entered into any replacement Hedge Positions. A Holder exercising an Instrument shall pay all Expenses, if any, payable in connection with the exercise of the Instrument.

- (s) *Receipt of Exercise Notice by Calculation Agent:* If the relevant Final Terms specify "**Receipt of Exercise Notice by Calculation Agent**" to be applicable, then, without prejudice to General Instrument Conditions 8(q) and 8(r), any Instrument in respect of which the Calculation Agent did not receive an Exercise Notice in accordance with General Instrument Condition 8(a) (*Exercise Notice – Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments only*) or 8(b) (*Exercise Notice – Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments*), as applicable, may at the discretion of the Calculation Agent, be deemed not to have been exercised.

- (t) *Fractions:* Where the Physical Settlement Amount would otherwise comprise, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, fractions of Deliverable Assets, a Holder will receive

the Physical Settlement Amount comprising of the nearest number (rounded down) of Deliverable Assets capable of being delivered by the Issuer (provided that a Holder's entire holding may not be aggregated at the Issuer's discretion for the purpose of delivering the Physical Settlement Amount), and, if a Fractional Cash Amount is specified in the relevant Final Terms, a Holder will also receive the Fractional Cash Amount (which may be zero) in respect of each Instrument capable of being paid by the Issuer (provided that a Holder's entire holding may not be aggregated at the Issuer's discretion for the purpose of paying the Fractional Cash Amount).

Payment of any Fractional Cash Amount shall be made by transfer by the Issuer to the account of the Principal Programme Agent whereupon the Principal Programme Agent shall transfer such amount to the account at the Relevant Clearing System specified in the relevant Exercise Notice as the account to be credited with the relevant Settlement Amount.

This General Instrument Condition 8(t) is not applicable to Nordic Registered Instruments, Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments.

- (u) *Payments on Business Days:* If the date specified for payment of any amount in respect of any Instrument is not a Business Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment of the amount due until the next succeeding Business Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of any such delay.

**9. Calculations, Determinations and Adjustments by the Calculation Agent**

- (a) *Calculation Agent:* The Calculation Agent shall not act as an agent for the Holders but shall be the agent of the Issuer and all its calculations, determinations and adjustments hereunder shall be made in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, and (save in the case of manifest or proven error) shall be final and binding on the Issuer and the Holders. All calculation functions required of the Calculation Agent under these General Instrument Conditions may be delegated to any such person as the Calculation Agent, in its absolute discretion, may decide.
- (b) *Calculation and Notification of Settlement Amount by the Calculation Agent:*
  - (i) In respect of Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments, on or before 5.00 p.m. (Frankfurt time) on any Valuation Date, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Principal Programme Agent of the Settlement Amount to be paid on the relevant Maturity Date in respect of the relevant Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments, provided that the Calculation Agent has received a fax from either Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as the case may be, specifying the number of Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments which have been exercised in accordance with General Instrument Condition 8(g) (*Verification of the Holder – Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments only*).
  - (ii) In respect of Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments, on or before 5.00 p.m. (Stockholm time) on the second Business Day following the Expiration Date, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Swedish Programme Agent of the aggregate Settlement Amount and the Settlement Amount per Euroclear Sweden Registered Instrument to be paid on the relevant Maturity Date in respect of the relevant Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments.
  - (iii) In respect of VPS Registered Instruments, on or before 5.00 p.m. (Oslo time) on the first Business Day following the Expiration Date, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Norwegian Programme Agent of the aggregate Settlement Amount and the Settlement Amount per VPS Registered Instrument to be paid on the relevant Maturity Date in respect of the relevant VPS Registered Instruments.
  - (iv) In respect of Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments with comparable terms, on or before 12.00 noon (Helsinki time) on the first Business Day following the last trading day, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Finnish Programme Agent of the aggregate Settlement Amount and the Settlement Amount per Euroclear Finland



Registered Instrument to be paid on the relevant Maturity Date in respect of the relevant Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments.

- (v) In respect of Monte Titoli Registered Instruments with comparable terms, on or before 11.00 a.m. (Milan time) on any Valuation Date, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Issuer and the Italian Programme Agent of the Settlement Amount to be paid on the relevant Maturity Date in respect of the relevant Monte Titoli Registered Instruments, provided that the Calculation Agent has received a fax from Monte Titoli specifying the number of Monte Titoli Registered Instruments which have been exercised in accordance with General Instrument Condition 8(h) (*Verification of the Holder – Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments only*).
- (vi) In respect of Euroclear France Registered Instruments with comparable terms, on or before 4.00 p.m. (Paris time) on any Valuation Date, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Issuer and the French Programme Agent of the Settlement Amount to be paid on the relevant Maturity Date in respect of the relevant Euroclear France Registered Instruments, provided that the Calculation Agent has received a fax from Euroclear France specifying the number of Euroclear France Registered Instruments which have been exercised in accordance with General Instrument Condition 8(h) (*Verification of the Holder – Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments only*).
- (vii) In respect of CREST Registered Instruments with comparable terms, on or before 11.00 a.m. (London time) on any Valuation Date, provided that such Valuation Date is two Business Days before the relevant Settlement Date, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Issuer and the CREST Programme Agent of the Settlement Amount to be paid on the relevant Maturity Date in respect of the relevant CREST Registered Instruments, provided that the Calculation Agent has received a fax from CREST specifying the number of CREST Registered Instruments which have been exercised in accordance with General Instrument Condition 8(h) (*Verification of the Holder – Euroclear France Registered Instruments, Monte Titoli Registered Instruments and CREST Registered Instruments only*).
- (c) *Responsibility*: None of the Issuer, the Guarantor and the Calculation Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation and dissemination of any variables published by a third party and used in any calculation made pursuant to these General Instrument Conditions or in the calculation of any Settlement Amount or of any Physical Settlement Amount arising from such errors or omissions.

#### 10. Limits on the Number of Instruments Exercisable

- (a) *Minimum Exercise Number*: The Instruments are exercisable in the Minimum Exercise Number or integral multiples thereof (or, if a "**Permitted Multiple**" is specified in the relevant Final Terms, and more than the Minimum Exercise Number is being exercised, a number equal to the sum of such Minimum Exercise Number and integral multiples of the Permitted Multiple) on any particular occasion or such lesser Minimum Exercise Number or other Permitted Multiple (or both) as the Issuer may from time to time notify the Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*).
- (b) *Maximum Exercise Number*: If a Maximum Exercise Number is specified in the relevant Final Terms and the Issuer determines in its absolute discretion on any Exercise Date that more than the Maximum Exercise Number of Instruments are being exercised by a single Holder or a group of Holders acting in concert, then the Issuer may deem the Exercise Date for the first Maximum Exercise Number of the Instruments exercised by such Holder or group of Holders to be such date and the Exercise Date for each additional Tranche of Maximum Exercise Number of the Instruments (or part thereof, in the case of the last Tranche) exercised by such Holder or group of Holders to be each succeeding Business Day thereafter until there shall have been an Exercise Date in respect of all such Instruments exercised by such Holder or group of Holders; provided that no such Exercise Date shall fall later than the Expiration Date. In any case where the Issuer determines that more than the Maximum Exercise Number of

Instruments are so exercised on the same day by a Holder or group of Holders acting in concert, the order of settlement in respect of such Instruments shall be at the discretion of the Issuer. The Maximum Exercise Number may be waived on any occasion by the Issuer in its absolute discretion and may be amended from time to time by the Issuer by notice to the Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*).

#### 11. **Certificate Interest Conditions**

This General Instrument Condition 11 is applicable to the Certificates only if the relevant Final Terms specify "**Certificate Interest Conditions**" to be applicable.

- (a) *Interest Amount:* Subject as provided in these General Instrument Conditions, each Certificate pays interest from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date at the Interest Rate payable in arrear on each Interest Payment Date. The amount payable in respect of each Certificate on each Interest Payment Date will be the Interest Amount for the Interest Period ending on (but excluding) such Interest Payment Date. If an Interest Amount is required to be calculated for a period ending on a day other than an Interest Payment Date, it will be calculated on the basis of the Notional Amount per Certificate, the number of days from and including the most recent Interest Payment Date (or, if none, the Interest Commencement Date) to but excluding the relevant payment date and the Day Count Fraction. The Interest Amount payable in respect of each Certificate will be rounded in accordance with General Instrument Condition 21 (*Rounding*).
- (b) *Business Day Convention:* If a Business Day Convention is specified in the relevant Final Terms and any Interest Payment Date (or other date) falls on a day which is not a Business Day, such Interest Payment Date (or such other date) will be adjusted in accordance with the Business Day Convention.
- (c) *Accrual of Interest:* Each Certificate will cease to accrue interest on (but excluding) the final Interest Payment Date unless payment of the Settlement Amount and/or delivery of any Physical Settlement Amount due on redemption is improperly withheld or refused by the Issuer in which case interest shall continue to accrue from the Expiration Date until such payment or delivery is made, as the case may be. No interest on the Certificates shall accrue beyond the final Interest Payment Date in the event that delivery of any Physical Settlement Amount is postponed due to the occurrence of a Physical Settlement Disruption Event or otherwise as provided for in the Conditions.
- (d) *Payment in respect of Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments; Swedish Programme Agent:* Payments of principal and/or interest in respect of the Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments shall be made to the Euroclear Sweden Holders registered as such on the fourth business day (as defined by the then applicable Euroclear Sweden Rules) before the due date for such payment, or such other business day falling closer to the due date as then may be stipulated in the Euroclear Sweden Rules and will be made in accordance with the Euroclear Sweden Rules. Such day shall be the "**Record Date**" in respect of the Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments in accordance with the Euroclear Sweden Rules.
- (e) *Payments in respect of VPS Registered Instruments; Norwegian Programme Agent:* Payments of principal and/or interest in respect of the VPS Registered Instruments shall be made to the VPS Holders registered as such on the fourteenth calendar day before the due date for such payment, or such other business day falling closer to the due date as then may be stipulated in the VPS Rules and will be made in accordance with the VPS Rules. Such day shall be the "**Record Date**" in respect of the VPS Registered Instruments in accordance with the VPS Rules.
- (f) *Payments of Interest and Principal in accordance with the Euroclear Finland Rules:* Payments of principal and/or interest in respect of the Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments shall be made to the Euroclear Finland Holders on the basis of information recorded in the relevant Euroclear Finland Holder's book-entry securities account on the first Business Day (or such other Specified Day(s)) before the due date for such payment. Such day shall be the "**Record Date**" in respect of the Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments in accordance with the Euroclear Finland Rules. Euroclear Finland Holders will not be entitled to

any interest or other compensation for any delay after the due date in receiving the amount due as a result of the due date for payment not being a Business Day.

- (g) *Record Date:* For Registered Instruments in global form, the "**Record Date**" shall be the close of business (in the relevant clearing system) on the Clearing System Business Day (or such other Specified Day(s)) before the due date for payment, where the "**Clearing System Business Day**" means a day on which the relevant clearing system is open for business.

## 12. **Consequences of an FX Disruption Event or a CNY FX Disruption Event**

- (a) *Postponement or Payment in USD:* If the Calculation Agent has determined that (1) an FX Disruption Event or a CNY FX Disruption Event, as the case may be, has occurred and is continuing and (2) such FX Disruption Event or CNY FX Disruption Event, as the case may be, is material in relation to the Issuer's payment obligations under the Instruments (including in relation to the Issuer's hedge position under the Instruments) in respect of any forthcoming Interest Payment Date, Maturity Date or other date on which amounts are payable under the Instruments by the Issuer under the Conditions (each such date, an "**Affected Payment Date**"), then:
  - (i) if the relevant Final Terms specify that "**FX Disruption Event**" is applicable to the Instruments, the Affected Payment Date shall be postponed until the earlier of (A) the Adjusted Affected Payment Date and (B) the Affected Payment Cut-off Date. No amount of interest shall be payable in respect of the delay in payment of any amount due to the adjustment of any Affected Payment Date; or
  - (ii) if the relevant Final Terms specify that "**CNY FX Disruption Event**" is applicable to the Instruments, then the Issuer may, on giving not less than five days' and not more than 30 days' irrevocable notice to Holders prior to the relevant Affected Payment Date, make payment (in whole or in part) of the USD Equivalent Amount of the relevant Interest Amount, Settlement Amount or other amount payable (if applicable) on the relevant Affected Payment Date in full and final settlement of its obligations to pay such Interest Amount, Settlement Amount or other amount in respect of the Instruments.
- (b) *Payment of USD Equivalent Amount:* In the event that, pursuant to paragraph (a)(i) above, an Affected Payment Date is adjusted to fall on the Affected Payment Cut-off Date (and the Calculation Agent determines an FX Disruption Event exists or is continuing on the FX Disruption Event Cut-off Date), then the Issuer may, by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*), elect to make payment (in whole or in part) of the USD Equivalent Amount of the relevant Interest Amount, Settlement Amount or other amount payable (if applicable) on the relevant Affected Payment Cut-off Date in full and final settlement of its obligations to pay such Interest Amount, Settlement Amount or other amount in respect of the Instruments.
- (c) *Priorities:* If the Calculation Agent determines an FX Disruption Event or a CNY FX Disruption Event, as the case may be, coincides with a Market Disruption Event (as defined in the Share Linked Conditions and the Index Linked Conditions), a Disruption Event (as defined in the Commodity Linked Conditions) or a Physical Settlement Disruption Event (as determined by the Calculation Agent), as the case may be, the provisions of this General Instrument Condition 12 shall take effect only after such postponements or adjustments have been made as a result of such Market Disruption Event, Disruption Event, Physical Settlement Disruption Event in accordance with the Share Linked Conditions, the Index Linked Conditions, the Commodity Linked Conditions or General Instrument Condition 7(g) (*Settlement Disruption*), as applicable, and, notwithstanding the provisions of the Share Linked Conditions, the Index Linked Conditions, the Commodity Linked Conditions or General Instrument Condition 7(g) (*Settlement Disruption*), as the case may be, the Issuer's payment obligation of the Settlement Amount shall continue to be postponed or varied in accordance with the provisions of this General Instrument Condition 12.

13. **Automatic Early Exercise**

If the relevant Final Terms specify "Automatic Early Exercise" to be applicable, if the Calculation Agent determines that an Automatic Early Exercise Event has occurred in respect of an Applicable Date, then the Instruments shall for all purposes be treated as being "Automatic Exercise Instruments", and the Expiration Date shall for all purposes be treated as being such Applicable Date. The Instruments will thereby be exercised on such Applicable Date, and each Holder shall be entitled to receive from the Issuer on the Automatic Early Exercise Date the Automatic Early Exercise Amount in respect of each Instrument.

14. **Change of applicable law**

Upon the Issuer becoming aware of (a) the adoption of, or any change in, any applicable law, rule, regulation, judgment, order or directive of any governmental, administrative, legislative or judicial authority or power ("**applicable law**"), or (b) the promulgation of, or any change in, the interpretation of any applicable law by a court, tribunal or regulatory authority with competent jurisdiction, which has the effect (as determined by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion) that its performance under the Instruments has become unlawful or impractical in whole or in part (such event under (a) and (b) being a "**Change of applicable law**"), the Issuer may in its sole and absolute discretion (i) make such amendments or adjustments to the Conditions as may be required such that its performance under the Instruments shall no longer be unlawful or impracticable under applicable law, provided that such amendments or adjustments are effected in such a manner as to preserve insofar as possible and practicable the commercial terms of the Instruments prior to such amendments or adjustments (and provided further that any proposed substitution of the Issuer may only be effected in accordance with General Instrument Condition 22 (*Substitution*)), or (ii) redeem the Instruments on such day as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) and will, if and to the extent permitted by applicable law, pay to the Holder in respect of each Instrument the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount (which shall be determined taking into account the Change of applicable law) on such day.

15. **Purchase by the Issuer**

The Issuer may at any time purchase Instruments at any price in the open market or by tender or private treaty. Any Instruments so purchased may be held, surrendered for cancellation or reissued or resold, and Instruments so reissued or resold shall for all purposes be deemed to form part of the original Series of Instruments.

16. **Programme Agents and Calculation Agent**

The initial Calculation Agent (if any) is specified in the relevant Final Terms. The Issuer reserves the right at any time to vary or terminate the appointment of the Calculation Agent or any Programme Agent, provided that (a) so long as any Instrument which is held in a Clearing System is outstanding, there will at all times be a Principal Programme Agent, (b) so long as any Instruments are listed on the Official List of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange (or any other stock exchange), there will be a Programme Agent with a Specified Office in Luxembourg (or in such other place as is required by the rules of such other stock exchange). Notice of any termination of appointment and of any changes in the Specified Office of a Programme Agent or a Calculation Agent will be given to Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*). In acting under the Programme Agreement, each Programme Agent acts solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligation or duty to, or any relationship of agency or trust for or with, the Holders.

17. **Further Issues**

The Issuer shall be at liberty from time to time without the consent of the Holders to create and issue further Instruments so as to form a single Series with the Instruments of any particular Series.

18. **Notices**

- (a) In respect of Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments, all notices to Holders of such Instruments will be valid if notified to Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg.
- (b) In respect of Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments, the Issuer may either publish information and notices in at least one Swedish daily newspaper with nationwide coverage in the Kingdom of Sweden or send such information and notices to the Swedish Programme Agent who (at the expense of the Issuer) will, as soon as reasonably possible, publish the information and notices in at least one Swedish daily newspaper with nationwide coverage in the Kingdom of Sweden.

Notwithstanding any confidentiality obligations, the Issuer shall be entitled to obtain information (including information on Euroclear Sweden Holders) from the Euroclear Sweden Register, and Euroclear Sweden shall be entitled to provide such information to the Issuer and to the Swedish Programme Agent, respectively.

- (c) In respect of VPS Registered Instruments, the Issuer may either publish information and notices in at least one Norwegian daily newspaper with nationwide coverage in the Kingdom of Norway or send such information and notices to the Norwegian Programme Agent who (at the expense of the Issuer) will, as soon as reasonably possible, publish the information and notices in at least one Norwegian daily newspaper with nationwide coverage in the Kingdom of Norway.

Notwithstanding any confidentiality obligations, the Issuer shall be entitled to obtain information (including information on VPS Holders) from the VPS Register, and VPS shall be entitled to provide such information to the Issuer and to the Norwegian Programme Agent, respectively.

- (d) In respect of Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, the Issuer may either publish information and notices in at least one Finnish daily newspaper with nationwide coverage in the Republic of Finland or send such information and notices to the Finnish Programme Agent who (at the expense of the Issuer) will as soon as reasonably possible, publish the information and notices in at least one Finnish daily newspaper with nationwide coverage in the Republic of Finland.

Notwithstanding any confidentiality obligations, the Issuer shall be entitled to obtain information (including information on Euroclear Finland Holders) from the Euroclear Finland Register, and Euroclear Finland shall be entitled to provide such information to the Issuer and to the Finnish Programme Agent, respectively.

- (e) In respect of CREST Registered Instruments, the CREST Programme Agent shall, upon receipt of instructions from and at the expense of the Issuer arrange for the delivery of all notices in respect of the CREST Registered Instruments as may be required in accordance with the General Instrument Conditions.
- (f) In respect of Monte Titoli Registered Instruments, the Italian Programme Agent shall, upon receipt of instructions from and at the expense of the Issuer arrange for the delivery of all notices in respect of the Monte Titoli Registered Instruments as may be required in accordance with the General Instrument Conditions.
- (g) In respect of Euroclear France Registered Instruments, the French Programme Agent shall, upon receipt of instructions from and at the expense of the Issuer arrange for the delivery of all notices in respect of the Euroclear France Registered Instruments as may be required in accordance with the General Instrument Conditions.
- (h) In respect of Instruments that are listed on the Official List of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange (or any other stock exchange) and the rules of such exchange so require, all notices to the Holders of such Instruments will be valid if published in a daily newspaper of general circulation in Luxembourg which is expected to be the *Luxemburger Wort* (or such other publication as required by the rules of such other stock exchange) or on the website of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, [www.bourse.lu](http://www.bourse.lu).

- (i) In respect of Instruments admitted to the regulated market of Euronext Paris S.A., all notices to Holders will be valid if published in a leading daily financial newspaper of general circulation in Paris (which is expected to be *Les Echos*) or, if such newspapers shall cease to be published or timely publication in such newspapers shall not be practicable, in such other daily financial newspaper of general circulation in Paris as the Issuer may select, so long as the Instruments are listed on Euronext Paris S.A. and the rules of Euronext Paris S.A. so require.
- (j) In respect of Instruments traded on the regulated markets organised and managed by Borsa Italiana S.p.A. and so long as the applicable rules so require, all notices to Holders shall be valid if published by Borsa Italiana S.p.A.

**19. Modification and Waiver, Meetings of Holders**

- (a) *Programme Agreement:* The Programme Agreement may be amended by the parties thereto without the consent of the Holders if, in the opinion of the Issuer, the amendment will not materially and adversely affect the interests of the Holders.
- (b) *Terms and Conditions:* The Terms and Conditions of the Instruments may be amended by the Issuer with the approval of the Calculation Agent but without the consent of the Holders if, in the reasonable opinion of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent, the amendment (i) is of a formal, minor or technical nature, or (ii) is made to correct a manifest or proven error or omission or (iii) will not materially and adversely affect the interests of the Holders.

For the avoidance of doubt, these General Instrument Conditions 19(a) and 19(b) shall not apply to any adjustments made in accordance with a Underlying Asset Condition. Any amendments in accordance with these General Instrument Conditions 19(a) and 19(b) shall take effect by notice to the Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*).

- (c) *Meetings of Holders:* The Programme Agreement contains provisions for convening meetings of Holders to consider matters relating to the Instruments, including the modification of any provision of the General Instrument Conditions relating to a Series of Instruments with the consent of the Issuer. Only holders of outstanding Instruments of the Applicable Series (as defined in the Programme Agreement in respect of Instruments) will be eligible to participate in a meeting of Holders. Such a meeting shall be convened by the Issuer upon the request in writing of Holders holding not less than one-tenth of the outstanding Instruments of that Series. The quorum at any meeting convened to vote on a Resolution will be one or more Persons holding or representing one more than half of the outstanding Instruments of that Series or, at any adjourned meeting, one or more Persons being or representing not less than one quarter of the outstanding Instruments. Any Resolution duly passed at any such meeting shall be binding on all the Holders of the Instruments of the Applicable Series, whether present or not.
- (d) *Written resolution:* A resolution in writing signed or electronically approved using the systems and procedures in place from time to time of a relevant Clearing System by or on behalf of all Holders who for the time being are entitled to receive notice of a meeting of Holders will take effect as if it were a Resolution passed at a meeting of the Holders. Such a resolution in writing may be contained in one document or several documents in the same form, each signed by or on behalf of one or more Holders or may be in the form of SWIFT or other electronic instructions as permitted by the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing System.

Notices in respect of Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments will be in writing and shall be addressed to such Euroclear Finland Holder at its address appearing in the Euroclear Finland Register maintained by the Finnish Programme Agent in accordance with Finnish laws, regulations and operating procedures applicable and/or issued by Euroclear Finland.

Notices in respect of Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments will be in writing and shall be addressed to such Euroclear Sweden Holder at its address appearing in the Euroclear Sweden Register maintained by the Swedish Programme Agent in accordance with the Euroclear Sweden Rules.

Notices in respect of VPS Registered Instruments will be in writing and shall be addressed to such VPS Holder at its address appearing in the VPS Register maintained by the Norwegian Programme Agent in accordance with the VPS Rules.

Notices in respect of Monte Titoli Registered Instruments will be in writing and shall be addressed to such Monte Titoli Holder at its address appearing in the books of Monte Titoli.

Notices in respect of CREST Registered Instruments will be in writing and shall be addressed to such CREST Holder at its address appearing in the CREST Register and maintained by the CREST Registrar.

20. **Currency Indemnity**

If any sum due from the Issuer in respect of the Instruments or any order or judgment given or made in relation thereto has to be converted from the currency (the "**first currency**") in which the same is payable under these General Instrument Conditions or such order or judgment into another currency (the "**second currency**") for the purpose of (a) making or filing a claim or proof against the Issuer, (b) obtaining an order or judgment in any court or other tribunal or (c) enforcing any order or judgment given or made in relation to the Instruments, the Issuer shall indemnify each Holder, on the written demand of such Holder addressed to the Issuer and delivered to the Issuer, against any loss suffered as a result of any discrepancy between (i) the rate of exchange used for such purpose to convert the sum in question from the first currency into the second currency and (ii) the rate or rates of exchange at which such Holder may in the ordinary course of business purchase the first currency with the second currency upon receipt of a sum paid to it in satisfaction, in whole or in part, of any such order, judgment, claim or proof.

This indemnity constitutes a separate and independent obligation of the Issuer and shall give rise to a separate and independent cause of action.

21. **Rounding**

(a) For the purposes of any calculations referred to in the Conditions (unless otherwise specified in any applicable Instrument Payout Condition or Underlying Asset Condition):

- (i) all values and all percentages used in or resulting from such calculations will be rounded, if necessary, in the case of (A) a value, to five decimal places (with 0.000005 being rounded up to 0.00001), and (B) a percentage, to the nearest one hundred thousandth of a percentage point (with 0.000005 per cent. being rounded up to 0.00001 per cent.), unless the relevant Final Terms specify "**Non-Default Rounding – calculation values and percentages**" to be applicable, in which case, all percentages and all values used in or resulting from such calculations shall be rounded, if necessary, to the Specified Decimal Place (with halves being rounded up or down, as is specified in the relevant Final Terms);
- (ii) all amounts due and payable denominated in any currency (including an Interest Amount and the Settlement Amount) will be rounded to five decimal places (with 0.000005 being rounded up to 0.00001), unless the relevant Final Terms specify "**Non-Default Rounding – amounts due and payable**" to be applicable, in which case, all amounts due and payable (or such amounts as specified in the relevant Final Terms) denominated in any currency will be rounded to the nearest Specified Sub-Unit of such currency (with halves of the Specified Sub-Unit being rounded up or down, as is specified in the relevant Final Terms),

or, in any case, if the relevant Final Terms specify "**Other Rounding Convention**" is applicable to any relevant percentage, amount or figure as specified in the relevant Final Terms, such percentage, amount or figure shall be rounded to such Specified Sub-Unit of currency or Specified Decimal Place, as the case may be, in each case, with halves being rounded up or down, as is specified in the relevant Final Terms.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Conditions or the Agency Agreement, each calculation of an amount payable in cash in respect of each Instrument shall be based on the

aggregate nominal amount or number of all such Instruments outstanding on such date (or the relevant affected portion thereof), rounded in accordance with the method provided in paragraph (a) above and distributed in accordance with the Relevant Rules.

**22. Substitution**

(a) The Issuer is entitled at any time, with the consent of the Guarantor, without the consent of the Holders of the Instruments, to substitute the Issuer with another company, provided that such company is the Guarantor or a wholly-owned subsidiary of GSG (the "**New Issuer**"), in respect of all its obligations under or in relation to the Instruments, provided that:

- (i) the New Issuer assumes, by means of a deed poll substantially in the form of Schedule 13 to the Programme Agreement, all obligations of the Issuer arising from or in connection with the Instruments (the "**Assumption**");
- (ii) the Assumption does not have any adverse legal and tax consequences for Holders of the Instruments;
- (iii) the New Issuer provides an indemnity in favour of the Holders of the Instruments in relation to any additional tax or duties that become payable solely as a result of the substitution of the Issuer for the New Issuer;
- (iv) the New Issuer has obtained all necessary approvals from any regulatory authorities in order that the New Issuer can fulfil all obligations arising from or in connection with the Instruments; and
- (v) the Guarantor (except in the case where it is the New Issuer itself) unconditionally guarantees the fulfilment of the obligations of the New Issuer arising from these General Instrument Conditions.

(b) In the event that the Issuer is substituted for the New Issuer, any reference to the Issuer in these General Instrument Conditions shall then be deemed to be a reference to the New Issuer.

(c) The substitution of the Issuer in accordance with General Instrument Condition 22(a) (*Substitution*) shall be announced in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*). After the substitution has taken place in accordance with General Instrument Condition 22(a) (*Substitution*), the New Issuer shall replace the Issuer in every respect and the Issuer shall be released from all obligations towards the Holders of the Instruments in connection with the function of Issuer arising from or in connection with the Instruments.

**23. Prescription**

Claims against the Issuer or, as the case may be, the Guarantor for payment or delivery in respect of the Instruments shall be prescribed and become void unless made within five years from the Maturity Date and no claims shall be made after such date.

**24. Taxation**

The Issuer shall not be liable for or otherwise obliged to pay any tax, duty, withholding or other similar payment which may arise as a result of the ownership, transfer or exercise of any Instruments.

Where such withholding or deduction is required by law, the appropriate withholding or deduction shall be made and neither the Issuer nor the Guarantor shall have any obligation to pay any additional amounts to compensate for such withholding or deduction.

**25. Governing Law**

The Instruments (and any dispute, controversy, proceedings or claim of whatever nature (whether contractual, non-contractual or otherwise) arising out of or in any way relating to the Instruments or their formation) shall be governed by English law. The Guaranty shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.



Finnish law and jurisdiction will be applicable with regard to the registration of the Instruments in Euroclear Finland. Norwegian law and jurisdiction will be applicable with regard to the registration of the Instruments in VPS. Swedish law and jurisdiction will be applicable with regard to the registration of the Instruments in Euroclear Sweden.

26. **Jurisdiction**

The Courts of England are to have jurisdiction to settle any disputes, controversy, proceedings or claim of whatever nature that may arise out of or in connection with any Instruments (including their formation) and accordingly any such legal action or proceedings ("**Proceedings**") may be brought in such courts. Each of the Issuer and the Guarantor irrevocably submits to the jurisdiction of the courts of England and waives any objection to Proceedings in such courts on the ground of venue or on the ground that the Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum. These submissions are made for the benefit of each of the Holders of the Instruments and shall not affect the right of any of them to take Proceedings in any other court of competent jurisdiction nor shall the taking of Proceedings in one or more jurisdictions preclude the taking of Proceedings in any other jurisdiction (whether concurrently or not).

27. **Third Party Rights**

No person shall have any right to enforce any term or condition of the Instruments under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.

28. **Events of Default**

- (a) *Events of Default*: an Event of Default with respect to any issuance of Instruments will mean any of the following:
- (i) the Issuer, failing whom, the Guarantor does not pay the Settlement Amount or other termination amount or any other amount payable on the Instruments (other than Interest Amount) on any of the Instruments on the due date;
  - (ii) the Issuer, failing whom, the Guarantor does not pay interest on any of the Instruments when the same is due and payable or does not deliver any Deliverable Asset when the same is due and deliverable and such failure continues for 30 days after notice of such failure has been received by the Issuer from a Holder;
  - (iii) (a) the Issuer becomes insolvent or is unable to pay its debts as they fall due, (b) an administrator or liquidator of the Issuer or the whole or substantially the whole of the undertaking, assets and revenues of the Issuer is appointed (or application for any such appointment is made), (c) the Issuer takes any action for a readjustment or deferment of any of its obligations or makes a general assignment or an arrangement or composition with or for the benefit of its creditors or declares a moratorium in respect of any of its indebtedness (for money borrowed or raised) or any guarantee given by it to pay another person's indebtedness (for money borrowed or raised) or (d) the Issuer ceases or threatens to cease to carry on all or any substantial part of its business (otherwise than for the purposes of or pursuant to an amalgamation, reorganisation or restructuring whilst solvent);
  - (iv) an order is made or an effective resolution is passed for the winding up, liquidation or dissolution of the Issuer, (otherwise than for the purposes of or pursuant to an amalgamation, reorganisation or restructuring whilst solvent);
  - (v) any event occurs which under the laws of Germany (in the case of Instruments issued by GSW) has an analogous effect to any of the events referred to in paragraphs (iii) and (iv) above;
  - (vi) the entry by a court having jurisdiction in the premises of (a) a decree or order for relief in respect of GSG in an involuntary case or proceeding under any applicable U.S. Federal or State bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganisation or other similar law or (b) a decree or order adjudging GSG bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a

petition seeking reorganisation, arrangement, adjustment or composition of or in respect of GSG under any applicable U.S. Federal or State law, or appointing a custodian, receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, sequestrator or other similar official of GSG or of any substantial part of the property of GSG, or ordering the winding-up or liquidation of the affairs of GSG, and any such decree or order for relief or any such other decree or order shall continue unstayed and in effect for a period of 60 consecutive days; or

- (vii) commencement by GSG of a voluntary case or proceeding under any applicable U.S. Federal or State bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganisation or other similar law or of any other case or proceeding to be adjudicated a bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by GSG to the entry of a decree or order for relief in respect of an involuntary case or proceeding under any applicable U.S. Federal or State bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganisation or other similar law or to the commencement of any bankruptcy or insolvency case or proceeding against GSG, or the filing by GSG of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganisation or relief under any such applicable U.S. Federal or State law, or the consent by GSG to the filing of such petition or to the appointment of or the taking possession by a custodian, receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, sequestrator or other similar official of GSG or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by GSG of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the taking of action by the Issuer in furtherance of any such action.
- (b) *Consequences:* If an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Holder of any Instrument may, by written notice addressed to the Issuer and delivered to the Issuer or to the Specified Office of the Principal Programme Agent declare its Instrument to be immediately due and payable and unless all such defaults have been cured by the Issuer or the Guarantor prior to the receipt of such notice, the nominal amount of the Instrument (if any) shall be immediately due and payable together with accrued interest (if any) unless the Settlement Amount of the Instrument is linked to or determined by reference to one or more Underlying Asset, in which case the amount payable upon such acceleration shall be equal to the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount.
- (c) *Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments or VPS Registered Instruments:* If an Event of Default with respect to Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments or VPS Registered Instruments of any Series at the time outstanding occurs and is continuing, then in every such case, unless the Settlement Amount of all of the Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments or VPS Registered Instruments of such Series shall have already become due and payable, the Euroclear Finland Holders, Euroclear Sweden Holders or VPS Holders of at least 25 per cent. in nominal amount (if applicable) or in total number of the outstanding Instruments of that Series may declare the Settlement Amount of all of the Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments or VPS Registered Instruments of that Series to be due and payable immediately (or on such later date on which the relevant Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments or VPS Registered Instruments have been transferred to the account designated by the Finnish Paying Agent, Swedish Paying Agent or Norwegian Paying Agent and blocked for further transfer by the Finnish Paying Agent, Swedish Paying Agent or Norwegian Paying Agent) at their Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount, by a notice in writing to the Issuer, and upon any such declaration such Non-Scheduled Early Repayment Amount, together with the unpaid interest, if any, shall become immediately due and payable.

At any time after such a declaration of acceleration with respect to Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments or VPS Registered Instruments of any Series has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained, the Euroclear Finland Holders, Euroclear Sweden Holders or VPS Holders of at least a majority in nominal amount (if applicable) or total number of outstanding Instruments of that Series, by written notice to the Issuer and the Principal Programme Agent (or the Finnish Paying Agent, Swedish Paying Agent or Norwegian Paying Agent (as the case may be)), may rescind and annul such declaration and its consequences if the Issuer or, if applicable, the Guarantor, has paid or deposited with the Principal Programme Agent (or the Finnish Paying Agent, Swedish Paying Agent or Norwegian Paying Agent (as

the case may be)) a sum sufficient to pay in the Settlement Currency in which the Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments or VPS Registered Instruments of such Series are payable:

- (i) all overdue interest, if any, on all Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments or VPS Registered Instruments of that Series;
- (ii) the Settlement Amount or other amount of any Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments or VPS Registered Instruments of that Series which have become due otherwise than by such declaration of acceleration and (if applicable) interest thereon at the Interest Rate applicable to that Series; and
- (iii) all Events of Default with respect to Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments or VPS Registered Instruments of that Series, other than the non-payment of the Settlement Amount or other amount of Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments or VPS Registered Instruments of that Series, which have become due solely by such declaration of acceleration, have been cured or waived as provided below. No such rescission shall affect any subsequent default or impair any right consequent thereon.

The Euroclear Finland Holders, Euroclear Sweden Holders or VPS Holders of at least a majority in nominal amount (if applicable) or total number of the outstanding Instruments of any Series may on behalf of the Euroclear Finland Holders, Euroclear Sweden Holders or VPS Holders of all the Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments or VPS Registered Instruments of such Series waive any past default hereunder with respect to such Series and its consequences, except a default in the payment of the Settlement Amount of or interest, if any, on any Euroclear Finland Registered Instrument, Euroclear Sweden Registered Instrument or VPS Registered Instrument of such Series, or in the payment of any sinking fund instalment or analogous obligation with respect to the Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments or VPS Registered Instruments, such Series. Upon any such waiver, such default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising therefrom shall be deemed to have been cured, for every purpose of the Agency Agreement and the Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments, Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments or VPS Registered Instruments of such Series, but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other default or impair any right consequent thereon.

## INSTRUMENT PAYOUT CONDITIONS

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The following Instrument Payout Conditions shall apply to all Instruments (unless otherwise specified in the Instrument Payout Conditions below) and to the extent provided in the Instrument Payout Conditions below, each sub-paragraph thereof shall only apply where specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms.

#### 1. Settlement Amount

The Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Instrument shall be determined in accordance with such of the following provisions as are specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms.

##### (a) Participation Certificate

- (i) *Capped Participation*: If "Participation Certificate" and "Capped Participation" are specified to be applicable, the Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall be an amount in the Settlement Currency calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula below:

$$N \times \{ \text{Floor} + \text{Min}[\text{Cap}; (P \times \text{Max}[0; \text{Perf} - \text{Strike}])] \};$$

- (ii) *Uncapped Participation*: If "Participation Certificate" and "Uncapped Participation" are specified to be applicable, the Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall be an amount in the Settlement Currency calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula below:

$$N \times \{ \text{Floor} + [P \times \text{Max}(0; \text{Perf} - \text{Strike})] \};$$

##### (b) Participation FX Certificate

- (i) *Capped Participation*: If "Participation FX Certificate" and "Capped Participation" are specified to be applicable, the Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall be an amount in the Settlement Currency calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula below:

$$N \times \{ \text{Floor} + \text{Min}[\text{Cap}; (P \times \text{Max}(0; \text{Perf} - \text{Strike}) \times \text{FXR})] \}$$

- (ii) *Uncapped Participation*: If "Participation FX Certificate" and "Uncapped Participation" are specified to be applicable, the Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall be an amount in the Settlement Currency calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula below:

$$N \times \{ \text{Floor} + [P \times \text{Max}(0; \text{Perf} - \text{Strike}) \times \text{FXR}] \}$$

##### (c) Bonus Certificate

- (i) *Capped Participation*: If "Bonus Certificate" and "Capped Participation" are specified to be applicable, the Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall be an amount in the Settlement Currency determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with paragraph (A) or (B) below, as applicable:

- (A) if the Reference Price (Final) is greater than or equal to the Barrier Level, the Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall be determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

$$N \times \{ \text{Bonus} + [P \times \text{Min}[\text{Cap}; \text{Max}(0; \text{Underlying Performance} - \text{Bonus})]] \}; \text{ or}$$

- (B) if the Reference Price (Final) is less than the Barrier Level, the Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall be determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

$$N \times \text{Underlying Performance}$$

- (ii) *Uncapped Participation*: If "Bonus Certificate" and "Uncapped Participation" are specified to be applicable, the Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall be an amount in the Settlement Currency determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with paragraph (A) or (B) below, as applicable:

- (A) if the Reference Price (Final) is greater than or equal to the Barrier Level, the Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall be determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

$$N \times \{ \text{Bonus} + [P \times \text{Max}(0; \text{Underlying Performance} - \text{Bonus})] \}; \text{ or}$$

- (B) if the Reference Price (Final) is less than the Barrier Level, the Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Certificate shall be determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

$$N \times \text{Underlying Performance}$$

(d) **Delta-One Security**

If "Delta-One Security" is specified to be applicable, the Settlement Amount payable in respect of each Instrument shall be an amount in the Settlement Currency calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula below:

$$N \times \frac{\text{Reference Price (Final)}}{\text{Reference Price (Initial)}}$$

2. **Definitions and Interpretation**

(a) **Definitions**

In these Instrument Payout Conditions, unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms shall have the respective meanings set out below:

**"Adjusted Asset Valuation Date"** means, in respect of an Asset which is: (i) a Share, the Adjusted Share Valuation Date or (ii) an Index, the Adjusted Index Valuation Date.

**"Adjusted Final FX Valuation Date"** means the Adjusted Asset Valuation Date, or, if such date is not a Publication Fixing Day, the earlier to occur of (i) the next following Publication Fixing Day, and (ii) the Specified Day(s) following the Adjusted Asset Valuation Date.

**"Adjusted Index Valuation Date"** means, in respect of:

- (i) a single Index and if the relevant Final Terms specify: (A) "Averaging" to be not applicable, the Valuation Date in respect of the Index, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Index Linked Conditions, or (B) "Averaging" to be

applicable, the Last Averaging Date for the Index, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Index Linked Conditions;

(ii) an Index in an Index Basket and if the relevant Final Terms specify:

(A) "Averaging" to be not applicable and:

- (1) "Latest Reference Date" to be not applicable, the Valuation Date in respect of such Index, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Index Linked Conditions; or
- (2) "Latest Reference Date" to be applicable, the Latest Reference Date in respect of the Valuation Date for such Index, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Index Linked Conditions;

(B) "Averaging" to be applicable and:

- (1) "Latest Reference Date" to be not applicable, the Last Averaging Date in respect of such Index, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Index Linked Conditions; or
- (2) "Latest Reference Date" to be applicable, the Latest Reference Date in respect of the Last Averaging Date for such Index, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Index Linked Conditions.

**"Adjusted Initial Asset Valuation Date"** means, in respect of an Asset which is: (i) a Share, the Adjusted Initial Share Valuation Date or (ii) an Index, the Adjusted Initial Index Valuation Date.

**"Adjusted Initial FX Valuation Date"** means the Adjusted Initial Asset Valuation Date, or, if such date is not a Publication Fixing Day, the earlier to occur of (i) the next following Publication Fixing Day, and (ii) the Specified Day(s) following the Adjusted Initial Asset Valuation Date.

**"Adjusted Initial Index Valuation Date"** means in respect of:

(i) a single Index and if the relevant Final Terms specify:

- (A) "Averaging" to be not applicable, the Initial Valuation Date in respect of the Index, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Index Linked Conditions; or
- (B) "Averaging" to be applicable, the Last Initial Averaging Date for the Index, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Index Linked Conditions;

(ii) an Index in an Index Basket and if the relevant Final Terms specify:

(A) "Averaging" to be not applicable and:

- (1) "Latest Reference Date" to be not applicable, the Initial Valuation Date in respect of the Index, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Index Linked Conditions; or
- (2) "Latest Reference Date" to be applicable, the Latest Reference Date in respect of the Initial Valuation Date for the Index, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Index Linked Conditions;

(B) "Averaging" to be applicable and:

- (1) "Latest Reference Date" to be not applicable, the Last Initial Averaging Date, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Index Linked Conditions; or

- (2) "Latest Reference Date" to be applicable, the Latest Reference Date in respect of the Last Initial Averaging Date for the Index, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Index Linked Conditions.

**"Adjusted Initial Share Valuation Date"** means in respect of:

- (i) a Share and if the relevant Final Terms specify:
  - (A) "Averaging" to be not applicable, the Initial Valuation Date in respect of such Share, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Share Linked Conditions; or
  - (B) "Averaging" to be applicable, the Last Initial Averaging Date for such Share, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Share Linked Conditions;
- (ii) a Share in a Share Basket and if the relevant Final Terms specify:
  - (A) "Averaging" to be not applicable and:
    - (1) "Latest Reference Date" to be not applicable, the Initial Valuation Date in respect of such Share, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Share Linked Conditions; or
    - (2) "Latest Reference Date" to be applicable, the Latest Reference Date in respect of the Initial Valuation Date for such Share, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Share Linked Conditions;
  - (B) "Averaging" to be applicable and:
    - (1) "Latest Reference Date" to be not applicable, the Last Initial Averaging Date in respect of such Share, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Share Linked Conditions; or
    - (2) "Latest Reference Date" to be applicable, the Latest Reference Date in respect of the Last Initial Averaging Date for such Share, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Share Linked Conditions.

**"Adjusted Share Valuation Date"** means, in respect of:

- (i) a single Share and if the relevant Final Terms specify:
  - (A) "Averaging" to be not applicable, the Valuation Date in respect of such Share, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Share Linked Conditions, or
  - (B) "Averaging" to be applicable, the Last Averaging Date in respect of such Share, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Share Linked Conditions;
- (ii) a Share in a Share Basket and if the relevant Final Terms specify:
  - (A) "Averaging" to be not applicable and:
    - (1) "Latest Reference Date" to be not applicable, the Valuation Date in respect of such Share, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Share Linked Conditions; or
    - (2) "Latest Reference Date" to be applicable, the Latest Reference Date in respect of the Valuation Date for such Share, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Share Linked Conditions;
  - (B) "Averaging" to be applicable and:

- (1) "Latest Reference Date" to be not applicable, the Last Averaging Date in respect of such Share, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Share Linked Condition; or
- (2) "Latest Reference Date" to be applicable, the Latest Reference Date in respect of the Last Averaging Date for such Share, after all adjustments, if any, pursuant to the applicable Share Linked Conditions.

**"Asset"** means (i) the Share, (ii) the Index, (iii) each Share in a Share Basket, (iv) each Index in an Index Basket, or (v) each Share and each Index in a Multi-Asset Basket, each as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Asset Basket"** means:

- (i) a Share Basket; or
- (ii) an Index Basket; or
- (iii) a Multi-Asset Basket,

each, as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Asset Currency"** means, in respect of each Asset set forth in the column entitled "Asset" in the Asset FX Table, the currency specified as such in the column entitled "Asset Currency" in the Asset FX Table corresponding to such Asset.

**"Asset FX (Final)"** means, in respect of an Asset, the relevant Asset FX Rate corresponding to the Asset Currency of such Asset on the Final FX Valuation Date for such Asset, provided that, if the Asset Currency of an Asset is the same as the Base Currency, the Asset FX (Final) in respect of such Asset shall be deemed to be one (1).

**"Asset FX (Initial)"** means, in respect of an Asset, the relevant Asset FX Rate corresponding to the Asset Currency of such Asset on the Initial FX Valuation Date for such Asset, and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount set forth in the Asset FX Table in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Asset FX (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Asset, provided that, if the Asset Currency of an Asset is the same as the Base Currency, the Asset FX (Initial) in respect of such Asset shall be deemed to be one (1).

**"Asset FX"** means, in respect of an Asset:

- (i) if the Final Terms specify "Non-Inverse Return", an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula below:

$$\frac{\text{Asset FX (Final)}}{\text{Asset FX (Initial)}}; \text{ or}$$

- (ii) if the Final Terms specify "Inverse Return", an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula below:

$$\frac{\text{Asset FX (Initial)}}{\text{Asset FX (Final)}}$$

**"Asset FX Rate"** means, in respect of any relevant day (a **"Relevant Day"**) and the Asset Currency of an Asset, the Specified Rate of Base Currency/Asset Currency exchange rate, expressed as an amount of Asset Currency per unit of Base Currency, reported by the relevant Asset FX Fixing Price Sponsor on the relevant Asset FX Price Source at approximately the relevant Asset FX Valuation Time on the Relevant Day, as determined by the Calculation Agent, provided that if such Specified Rate does not appear on the applicable Asset FX Price Source at or around the applicable Asset FX Valuation Time on such Relevant Day, the



Calculation Agent will determine the Asset FX Rate for such Relevant Day in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner.

**"Asset FX Fixing Price Sponsor"** means, in respect of the Asset FX Rate corresponding to the Asset Currency of each Asset, the entity specified in the column entitled "Asset FX Fixing Price Sponsor" in the Asset FX Table corresponding to such Asset Currency of such Asset or, its successor or replacement, as determined by the Calculation Agent, that is responsible for setting the relevant Specified Rate for such Asset FX Rate.

**"Asset FX Price Source"** means, in respect of the Asset FX Rate corresponding to the Asset Currency of each Asset, the price source(s) specified as such in the column entitled "Asset FX Price Source" in the Asset FX Table corresponding to such Asset Currency of such Asset or such other successor, alternative or replacement price source, display page, screen or publication for the relevant Base Currency/Asset Currency exchange rate as determined by the Calculation Agent acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner.

**"Asset FX Table"** means the table specified as such in relevant Final Terms.

**"Asset FX Valuation Time"** means, in respect of the Asset FX Rate corresponding to the Asset Currency of each Asset, the time in the place specified as such in the relevant Final Terms (or such other time when the relevant Base Currency/Asset Currency exchange rate is published, as determined by the Calculation Agent).

**"Asset Table"** means the table specified as such in relevant Final Terms.

**"Averaging Date"** in respect of:

- (i) a Share, has the meaning given in the Share Linked Conditions; and
- (ii) an Index, has the meaning given in the Index Linked Conditions.

**"Averaging Reference Date"** in respect of:

- (i) a Share, has the meaning given in the Share Linked Conditions; and
- (ii) an Index, has the meaning given in the Index Linked Conditions.

**"Barrier Level"** means, in respect of an Asset, an amount specified in the relevant Final Terms and, if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being equal to or approximately equal to a percentage of the Reference Price (Initial) of such Asset, as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Base Currency"** means, if the relevant Final Terms specify "Participation Certificate" to be applicable, in respect of each Asset set forth in the column entitled "Asset" in the Asset FX Table, the currency specified as such in the column entitled "Base Currency" in the Asset FX Table corresponding to such Asset.

**"Basket Performance"** means the aggregate of the Weighted Performance of each Asset in the Asset Basket.

**"Bonus"** means (i) an amount as specified in the relevant Final Terms, or (ii) an amount determined by reference to market conditions by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion on or after the Trade Date and, if specified in the relevant Final Terms, is expected to be such amount as specified in the relevant Final Terms but shall not be more than any maximum amount and/or less than any minimum amount, in each case, as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Cap"** means (i) an amount as specified in the relevant Final Terms, or (ii) an amount determined by reference to market conditions by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion on or after the Trade Date and, if specified in the relevant Final Terms, is expected to be such amount as specified in the relevant Final Terms but shall not be more than any

maximum amount and/or less than any minimum amount, in each case, as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Closing Index Level"** has the meaning given in the Index Linked Conditions.

**"Closing Share Price"** has the meaning given in the Share Linked Conditions.

**"Currency Price"** has the meaning given in the FX Linked Conditions.

**"Disrupted Day"** in respect of:

- (i) a Share, has the meaning given in the Share Linked Conditions; and
- (ii) an Index, has the meaning given in the Index Linked Conditions.

**"Final Average Price"** means, in respect of:

- (i) a Share, the arithmetic mean of the Closing Share Price of the Share on each of the Averaging Dates; or
- (ii) an Index, the arithmetic mean of the Closing Index Level of the Index on each of the Averaging Dates,

in each case, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Final Closing Price"** means, in respect of:

- (i) a Share, the Closing Share Price of the Share on the Valuation Date; or
- (ii) an Index, the Closing Index Level of the Index on the Valuation Date; or
- (iii) a Commodity, the Commodity Reference Price of the Commodity on the Pricing Date; or
- (iv) a Commodity Index, the Closing Level of the Commodity Index on the Valuation Date; or
- (v) an FX Rate, the Currency Price on the Valuation Date; or
- (vi) an Inflation Index, the level of the Inflation Index published for the Final Reference Month.

**"Final FX Valuation Date"** means, in respect of an Asset and the relevant Asset FX Rate corresponding to the Asset Currency of such Asset, the Valuation Date for such Asset, provided that if the relevant Final Terms specify "Publication Fixing Day Adjustment" to be applicable, and such Valuation Date is not a Publication Fixing Day, the first Publication Fixing Day after such Valuation Date.

**"Final Reference Month"** means in respect of an Inflation Index, the calendar month specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Floor"** means (i) an amount as specified in the relevant Final Terms, or (ii) an amount determined by reference to market conditions by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion on or after the Trade Date and, if specified in the relevant Final Terms, is expected to be such amount as specified in the relevant Final Terms but shall not be more than any maximum amount and/or less than any minimum amount, in each case, as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"FX (Final)"** means the Currency Price in respect of the Adjusted Final FX Valuation Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"FX (Initial)"** means, if specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms, the Currency Price in respect of the Adjusted Initial FX Valuation Date, as determined by the Calculation

Agent, and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount (expressed as an amount of the Reference Currency per unit of the Base Currency) specified as the "FX (Initial)" in the relevant Final Terms.

**"FXR"** means, in respect of an FX Rate:

- (i) if the Final Terms specify "Non-Inverse Return", an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula below:

$$\frac{\text{FX (Final)}}{\text{FX (Initial)}}; \text{ or}$$

- (ii) if the Final Terms specify "Inverse Return", an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula below:

$$\frac{\text{FX (Initial)}}{\text{FX (Final)}}$$

**"Index Basket"** has the meaning given in the Index Linked Conditions.

**"Index Level"** has the meaning given in the Index Linked Conditions.

**"Initial Average Price"** means, in respect of an Asset which is:

- (i) a Share, if the relevant Final Terms specify:
  - (A) "Initial Average Share Price" to be applicable, the arithmetic mean of the Share Price of such Share on each of the Initial Averaging Dates, as determined by the Calculation Agent; or
  - (B) "Initial Average Closing Share Price" to be applicable, the arithmetic mean of the Closing Share Price of such Share on each of the Initial Averaging Dates, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

and in each case, if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount determined by the Calculation Agent set forth in the Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Share; or

- (ii) an Index, if the relevant Final Terms specify:
  - (A) "Initial Average Index Level" to be applicable, the arithmetic mean of the Index Level of such Index on each of the Initial Averaging Dates, as determined by the Calculation Agent; or
  - (B) "Initial Average Closing Index Level" to be applicable, the arithmetic mean of the Closing Index Level of such Index Level on each of the Initial Averaging Dates, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

and in each case, if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount determined by the Calculation Agent set forth in the Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Index.

**"Initial Averaging Date"** in respect of:

- (i) a Share, has the meaning given in the Share Linked Conditions; and
- (ii) an Index, has the meaning given in the Index Linked Conditions.

**"Initial Closing Price"** means, in respect of:

- (i) a Share, if the relevant Final Terms specify **"Initial Closing Share Price"** to be applicable, the Closing Share Price of the Share on the Initial Valuation Date for the Share as determined by the Calculation Agent, and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount set forth in the Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Share; or
- (ii) an Index, if the relevant Final Terms specify **"Initial Closing Index Level"** to be applicable, the Closing Index Level of the Index on the Initial Valuation Date for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent, and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount set forth in the Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Index; or
- (iii) a Commodity, if the relevant Final Terms specify **"Initial Commodity Reference Price"** to be applicable, the Commodity Reference Price of the Commodity on the Initial Pricing Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount set forth in the Underlying Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Commodity; or
- (iv) a Commodity Index, if the relevant Final Terms specify **"Initial Commodity Index Closing Level"** to be applicable, the Closing Level of the Commodity Index on the Initial Valuation Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount set forth in the Underlying Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Commodity Index; or
- (v) an FX Rate, if the relevant Final Terms specify **"Initial Currency Price"** to be applicable, the Currency Price on the Initial Valuation Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount as specified in the relevant Final Terms; or
- (vi) an Inflation Index, if the relevant Final Terms specify **"Initial Inflation Index Level"** to be applicable, the level of the Inflation Index published for the Initial Reference Month, as determined by the Calculation Agent and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount set forth in the Underlying Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Inflation Index.

**"Initial FX Valuation Date"** means, in respect of an Asset and the relevant Asset FX Rate corresponding to the Asset Currency of such Asset, the Initial Valuation Date for such Asset, provided that if the relevant Final Terms specify "Publication Fixing Day Adjustment" to be applicable, and such Valuation Date is not a Publication Fixing Day, the first Publication Fixing Day after such Valuation Date.

**"Initial Price"** means, in respect of:

- (i) a Share, if the relevant Final Terms specify **"Initial Share Price"** to be applicable, the Share Price of such Share on the Initial Valuation Date for such Share as determined by the Calculation Agent, and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount set forth in the Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Share; or
- (ii) an Index, if the relevant Final Terms specify **"Initial Index Level"** to be applicable, the Index Level of such Index on the Initial Valuation Date for such Index as determined by the Calculation Agent and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount set forth in the Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Index; or
- (iii) a Commodity, if the relevant Final Terms specify **"Initial Commodity Price"** to be applicable, the relevant price of the Commodity on the Initial Pricing Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount set forth in the Underlying Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in the

column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Commodity; or

- (iv) a Commodity Index, if the relevant Final Terms specify "**Initial Commodity Index Level**" to be applicable, the relevant level of the Commodity Index on the Initial Valuation Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount set forth in the Underlying Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Commodity Index.

"**Initial Reference Month**" means in respect of an Inflation Index, the calendar month specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

"**Initial Valuation Date**" in respect of:

- (i) a Share, has the meaning given in the Share Linked Conditions;
- (ii) an Index, has the meaning given in the Index Linked Conditions;
- (iii) a Commodity Index, has the meaning given in the Commodity Linked Conditions; and
- (iv) an FX Rate, has the meaning given in the FX Linked Conditions.

"**Latest Reference Date**" in respect of:

- (i) a Share, has the meaning given in the Share Linked Conditions; and
- (ii) an Index, has the meaning given in the Index Linked Conditions,

provided that if the relevant Final Terms specify "Multi-Asset Basket Linked Instruments" to be applicable, "Latest Reference Date" means, in respect of an Asset and an Averaging Reference Date or a Reference Date, such Averaging Reference Date or Reference Date, and in respect of a Multi-Asset Basket and an Averaging Reference Date or a Reference Date (being, for the purposes of this definition, the "**Relevant Reference Date**"):

- (A) if, as a result of the Relevant Reference Date not being a Common Trading Day for one or more Assets or as a result of the occurrence of a Disrupted Day for one or more Assets, the Relevant Reference Date for two or more Assets falls on different dates, the date corresponding to the Relevant Reference Date which is the latest to occur, as determined by the Calculation Agent; or
- (B) if the Relevant Reference Date for all of the Assets falls on the same date (after adjustment, if any, for non-Scheduled Trading Days or Disrupted Days for such Assets), such same date corresponding to the Relevant Reference Date.

"**Last Averaging Date**" in respect of:

- (i) a Share, has the meaning given in the Share Linked Conditions; and
- (ii) an Index, has the meaning given in the Index Linked Conditions.

"**Last Initial Averaging Date**" in respect of:

- (i) a Share, has the meaning given in the Share Linked Conditions; and
- (ii) an Index, has the meaning given in the Index Linked Conditions.

"**Max**" followed by a series of amounts inside brackets, means whichever is the greater of the amounts separated by a semi-colon inside those brackets.

"**Min**" followed by a series of amounts inside brackets, means whichever is the lesser of the amounts separated by a semi-colon inside those brackets.

**"Minimum Performance"** means the Underlying Performance of the Worst Performing Underlying.

**"Multi-Asset Basket"** has the meaning given in the Multi-Asset Basket Linked Conditions.

**"N"** means the Nominal Amount.

**"P"** means Participation.

**"Participation"** means (i) an amount as specified in the relevant Final Terms, or (ii) an amount determined by reference to market conditions by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion on or after the Trade Date and, if specified in the relevant Final Terms, is expected to be such amount as specified in the relevant Final Terms but shall not be more than any maximum amount and/or less than any minimum amount, in each case, as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Perf"** means the Underlying Performance, the Basket Performance or the Minimum Performance, as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Publication Fixing Day"** has the meaning given in the FX Linked Conditions.

**"Reference Date"** in respect of:

- (i) a Share, has the meaning given in the Share Linked Conditions; and
- (ii) an Index, has the meaning given in the Index Linked Conditions.

**"Reference Price (Final)"** means, if the relevant Final Terms specify:

- (i) "Delta-One Security" to be applicable, the Final Closing Price of the Underlying Asset; or
- (ii) "Participation Certificate" or "Participation FX Certificate" to be applicable, the Final Closing Price or the Final Average Price, as specified in the relevant Final Terms; or
- (iii) "Bonus Certificate" to be applicable, in respect of the Underlying Asset specified as a Share or an Index in the relevant Final Terms, the Final Closing Price or the Final Average Price of the Underlying Asset, as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Reference Price (Initial)"** means, if the relevant Final Terms specify:

- (i) "Delta-One Security" to be applicable, the Initial Closing Price of the Underlying Asset or the Initial Price of the Underlying Asset, as specified in the relevant Final Terms; or
- (ii) "Participation Certificate" or "Participation FX Certificate" to be applicable, the Initial Closing Price, the Initial Price, the Initial Average Price, as specified in the relevant Final Terms; or
- (iii) "Bonus Certificate" to be applicable, in respect of the Underlying Asset specified as a Share or an Index in the relevant Final Terms, the Initial Closing Price of the Underlying Asset or the Initial Price of the Underlying Asset, as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Scheduled Trading Day"** in respect of:

- (i) a Share, has the meaning given in the Share Linked Conditions; and
- (ii) an Index, has the meaning given in the Index Linked Conditions.

**"Share Basket"** has the meaning given in the Share Linked Conditions.

**"Share Price"** has the meaning given in the Share Linked Conditions.

**"Specified Day(s)"** means such number of Business Day(s) or calendar days as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Strike"** means an amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Trade Date"** means the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Underlying Asset Table"** means the table specified as such in relevant Final Terms.

**"Underlying Performance"** means, in respect of an Asset:

- (i) if the relevant Final Terms specify "Participation Certificate" to be applicable, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

$$\frac{\text{Reference Price (Final)}}{\text{Reference Price (Initial)}} \times \text{Asset FX}$$

- (ii) if the relevant Final Terms specify "Participation FX Certificate" or "Bonus Certificate" to be applicable, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

$$\frac{\text{Reference Price (Final)}}{\text{Reference Price (Initial)}}$$

**"Valuation Date"** in respect of:

- (i) a Share, has the meaning given in the Share Linked Conditions;
- (ii) an Index, has the meaning given in the Index Linked Conditions;
- (iii) a Commodity Index, has the meaning given in the Commodity Linked Conditions; and
- (iv) an FX Rate, has the meaning given in the FX Linked Conditions.

**"Weighting"** means an amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, or if an Asset Table is set out in the relevant Final Terms, in respect of each Asset set forth in the Asset Table in the column entitled "Asset", the amount set forth in the column entitled "Weighting" in the row corresponding to such Asset.

**"Weighted Performance"** means, in respect of each Asset in the Asset Basket:

- (i) if the relevant Final Terms specify "Participation Certificate" to be applicable, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

$$\text{Weighting} \times \frac{\text{Reference Price (Final)}}{\text{Reference Price (Initial)}} \times \text{Asset FX}$$

- (ii) if the relevant Final Terms specify "Participation FX Certificate" to be applicable, an amount calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

$$\text{Weighting} \times \frac{\text{Reference Price (Final)}}{\text{Reference Price (Initial)}}$$

**"Worst Performing Underlying"** means the Asset with the lowest Underlying Performance, as determined by the Calculation Agent. In the event that two or more Assets have the same lowest Underlying Performance, then the Calculation Agent shall determine in its sole and absolute discretion which of such Assets shall be the Worst Performing Underlying, and such Underlying Asset as so selected shall be deemed the Worst Performing Underlying.

(b) ***Interpretation***

- (i) If "Trading in Nominal" is specified to be applicable, each reference in these Instrument Payout Conditions to "each Certificate" shall be deemed to be a reference to "each Certificate (of the Nominal Amount)".
- (ii) Capitalised terms used but not defined in these Instrument Payout Conditions will have the meanings given to them in the General Instrument Conditions.



## GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE NOTES

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*The following is the text of the general terms and conditions of the Notes (the "**General Note Conditions**") which, as set forth in General Note Condition 1(c) below, together with the Note Payout Conditions or EIS Note Payout Conditions (as applicable), the applicable Underlying Asset Conditions (if any) and as completed by the relevant Final Terms for the particular Tranche (or Tranches) of Notes, comprise the Terms and Conditions of such Tranche (or Tranches) of Notes. The Terms and Conditions of each Tranche of Notes are incorporated by reference into each Registered Note (if any) representing such Tranche, and the Terms and Conditions of each Tranche of Notes will be endorsed on each Note in definitive form for each Tranche.*

1. **Introduction**

- (a) *Programme*: Goldman Sachs International ("**GSI**") and Goldman, Sachs & Co. Wertpapier GmbH ("**GSW**") (each, an "**Issuer**" and together, the "**Issuers**") have established a programme (the "**Programme**") for the issuance of notes, warrants and certificates. The payment and delivery obligations of GSI and GSW are guaranteed by The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. ("**GSG**" or the "**Guarantor**").
- (b) *Agency Agreement*: The notes (the "**Notes**") other than South African Notes, are issued pursuant to an issue and paying agency agreement dated 24 June 2013 (the "**Agency Agreement**", which expression shall include any amendments or supplements thereto) between the Issuers, Citigroup Global Markets Deutschland AG of Reuterweg 16, 60323 Frankfurt am Main, Federal Republic of Germany, as registrar (the "**Registrar**", which expression includes any successor registrar appointed in accordance with the Agency Agreement), Citibank, N.A., London Branch as fiscal agent (the "**Fiscal Agent**", which expression includes any successor fiscal agent appointed in accordance with the Agency Agreement), Citigroup Global Markets Deutschland AG and Banque Internationale à Luxembourg, société anonyme of 69 route d'Esch, L-2953 Luxembourg, as transfer agents (the "**Transfer Agents**"), Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ), Oslo Branch (Transaction Banking) of P.O. Box 1843, Vika, NO-0123 Oslo, Norway, as Norwegian paying agent (the "**Norwegian Paying Agent**"), Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ), Helsinki Branch (Transaction Banking) of Unioninkatu 30, FI-00100 Helsinki, Finland, as Finnish paying agent (the "**Finnish Paying Agent**") and Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ) (Transaction Banking) as Swedish paying agent (the "**Swedish Paying Agent**"), Banque Internationale à Luxembourg, société anonyme as paying agent in Luxembourg (the "**Luxembourg Paying Agent**"), BNP Paribas Securities Services of 3, Rue d'Antin, 75002 Paris, France, having an *établissement secondaire*, located at Les Grands Moulins de Pantin, 9 rue du débarcadère, 93761 Pantin Cedex, France as paying agent in France (the "**French Paying Agent**") and GSI as additional paying agent (the "**Additional Paying Agent**", and, together with the Fiscal Agent, the Norwegian Paying Agent, the Finnish Paying Agent, the Swedish Paying Agent, the Luxembourg Paying Agent and the French Paying Agent, the "**Paying Agents**", which expression includes any successor or additional paying agents appointed from time to time in connection with the Notes). References herein to the "**Agents**" are to the Registrar, the Transfer Agents and the Paying Agents and any reference to an "**Agent**" is to any one of them. South African Notes are issued pursuant to an agency agreement dated 7 September 2011 between GSI, the South African Paying Agent, the South African Transfer Agent and the South African Calculation Agent (each as defined in South African Note Condition 2(a) (*Definitions and Interpretation*)) as amended, restated and supplemented from time to time (the "**South African Agency Agreement**") and, with respect to such South African Notes, references in these Conditions to the "Agency Agreement" in relation to South African Notes are to such agreement.
- (c) *Terms and Conditions*: The terms and conditions (the "**Terms and Conditions**" or the "**Conditions**") of the Notes comprise the following:
- (i) these General Note Conditions;
  - (ii) if the Notes are South African Notes, these General Note Conditions as completed and/or amended by the Additional South African Note Conditions (the "**Additional South African Note Conditions**");
  - (iii) the Note Payout Conditions (the "**Note Payout Conditions**") or the EIS Note Payout Conditions (the "**EIS Note Payout Conditions**"), as applicable, as specified in the relevant Final Terms;
  - (iv) the Underlying Asset Conditions (the "**Underlying Asset Conditions**") (if applicable) which are specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms. In relation to:
    - (A) Share Linked Notes, the Share Linked Conditions (the "**Share Linked Conditions**") shall apply;
    - (B) Index Linked Notes, the Index Linked Conditions (the "**Index Linked Conditions**") shall apply;

- (C) Commodity Linked Notes, the Commodity Linked Conditions (the "**Commodity Linked Conditions**") shall apply;
  - (D) FX Linked Notes, the FX Linked Conditions (the "**FX Linked Conditions**") shall apply; and
  - (E) Inflation Linked Notes, the Inflation Linked Conditions (the "**Inflation Linked Conditions**") shall apply,
- (v) in the case of each of (i)-(iv), subject to completion of the issue specific terms by the relevant Final Terms in relation to the Notes.

In the event of any inconsistency between any of the General Note Conditions, the applicable Note Payout Conditions, the applicable Underlying Asset Conditions and the relevant Final Terms, the prevailing term will be determined in accordance with the following order of priority (where 1. prevails over the other terms):

1. the relevant Final Terms;
2. the applicable Note Payout Conditions;
3. the applicable Underlying Asset Conditions (if any);
4. the Additional South African Note Conditions (if applicable); and
5. General Note Conditions,

provided that any term preceded with the phrase "notwithstanding anything else in these Terms and Conditions" (or a phrase of similar import) shall prevail over any inconsistent term in any other part of the Terms and Conditions of the Notes.

- (d) *Final Terms*: Notes issued under the Programme are issued in series (each, a "**Series**") and each Series may comprise one or more tranches ("**Tranches**" and each, a "**Tranche**") of Notes. One or more Tranches of Notes will be the subject of a final terms (the "**Final Terms**") a copy of which may be obtained free of charge from the Specified Office of the relevant Programme Agent. References to the "**relevant Final Terms**" or the "**applicable Final Terms**" or "**the Final Terms**" in relation to any Notes means the particular Final Terms prepared in respect of such Notes. In the case of Notes in relation to which application has been made for listing on the Official List and trading on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, copies of the relevant Final Terms will be lodged with the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and will be available for viewing on the website of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange ([www.bourse.lu](http://www.bourse.lu)) and copies of which may be obtained free of charge from the Specified Office of the Luxembourg Paying Agent. In the case of Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes (as defined in General Note Condition 2 (*Definitions and Interpretation*)), a copy of the relevant Final Terms may be obtained free of charge from the Specified Office of the Swedish Paying Agent. In the case of VPS Registered Notes (as defined in General Note Condition 2 (*Definitions and Interpretation*)), a copy of the relevant Final Terms may be obtained free of charge from the Specified Office of the Norwegian Paying Agent. In the case of Euroclear Finland Registered Notes (as defined in General Note Condition 2 (*Definitions and Interpretation*)), a copy of the relevant Final Terms may be obtained free of charge from the Specified Office of the Finnish Paying Agent.
- (e) *Guaranty*: The payment and delivery obligations of GSI and GSW, in respect of Notes issued by GSI and GSW are unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed by GSG pursuant to a guaranty dated 24 June 2013 made by GSG (the "**Guaranty**"). GSG is only obliged to pay the Physical Settlement Disruption Amount instead of delivery of the Deliverable Assets if the Issuer has failed to deliver the Physical Settlement Amount.
- (f) *Deed of Covenant*: The Notes are issued in registered form ("**Registered Notes**"), and (other than EIS Notes) are constituted by and have the benefit of a deed of covenant dated 24 June 2013 (the "**Deed of Covenant**") made by the Issuers. EIS Notes are constituted by and have

the benefit of a deed of covenant governed under Cayman Islands law dated 24 June 2013 (the "**Cayman Deed of Covenant**") made by GSW (and held at all times outside of the UK).

- (g) *The Notes*: All subsequent references in these General Note Conditions to "**Notes**" are to the Notes which are the subject of the relevant Final Terms.
- (h) *Summaries*: Certain provisions of these General Note Conditions are summaries of the Agency Agreement and the Guaranty, and are subject to their detailed provisions. Noteholders are bound by, and are deemed to have notice of, all the provisions of the Agency Agreement, the Guaranty and the Deed of Covenant or Cayman Deed of Covenant applicable to them. Copies of the Agency Agreement, the Guaranty, the Deed of Covenant and the Cayman Deed of Covenant are available for inspection by Noteholders during normal business hours at the Specified Offices of each of the Agents.
- (i) *South African Notes*: In relation to South African Notes, (i) General Note Conditions 3, 4, 5 (other than 5(f)), 10, 11, 15 and 20 are not applicable and (ii) these General Note Conditions are supplemented and amended by the terms of the Additional South African Note Conditions.

## 2. **Definitions and Interpretation**

- (a) *Definitions*: In these General Note Conditions the following expressions have the following meanings:

**"2006 ISDA Definitions"** means the 2006 ISDA Definitions (as amended and updated as at the date of issue of the first Tranche of the Notes of the relevant Series (as specified in the relevant Final Terms) as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc.);

**"Additional Business Centre"** means the place(s) specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Additional Financial Centre"** means the place(s) specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Additional South African Note Conditions"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(c) (*Terms and Conditions*);

**"Adjusted Affected Payment Date"** means, in respect of the occurrence of an FX Disruption Event, the Specified Day(s) following the day on which an FX Disruption Event ceases to exist (as determined by the Calculation Agent), unless the relevant Final Terms specify "Default Adjusted Affected Payment Date", in which case, "Adjusted Affected Payment Date" means the second Business Day following the day on which an FX Disruption Event ceases to exist (as determined by the Calculation Agent);

**"Affected Payment Cut-off Date"** means the Specified Day(s) following the FX Disruption Event Cut-off Date, unless the relevant Final Terms specify "Default Affected Payment Cut-off Date", in which case, "Affected Payment Cut-off Date" means the second Business Day following the FX Disruption Event Cut-off Date;

**"Affected Payment Date"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 13(a) (*Postponement or Payment in USD*);

**"Agency Agreement"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(b) (*Agency Agreement*);

**"Agent"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(b) (*Agency Agreement*);

**"Applicable Date"** means each date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"applicable law"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 17 (*Change of applicable law*);

**"Asset Transfer Notice"** means in respect of Notes other than the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes, VPS Registered Notes and Euroclear France Registered Notes, an asset transfer notice in the form set out in the Agency Agreement (copies of which may be obtained from Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or the Paying Agents);

**"Assumption"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 23 (*Substitution*);

**"Automatic Early Redemption Amount"** means, in respect of any Applicable Date, such amount as is specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Automatic Early Redemption Barrier"** means the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Automatic Early Redemption Date"** means:

- (i) in respect of any Applicable Date, such date as is specified in the relevant Final Terms (each, a **"Scheduled Automatic Early Redemption Date"**), provided that, if the relevant Applicable Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, the corresponding Automatic Early Redemption Date in respect of such Applicable Date will instead be the day falling the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Automatic Early Redemption Settlement Period Business Days after such Applicable Date;
- (ii) in respect of Share Linked Notes, and if the relevant Final Terms specify "Automatic Early Redemption Date – Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)" to be applicable, "Automatic Early Redemption Date" has the meaning ascribed to it in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*);
- (iii) in respect of Index Linked Notes, and if the relevant Final Terms specify "Automatic Early Redemption Date – Index Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)" to be applicable, "Automatic Early Redemption Date" has the meaning ascribed to it in Index Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*); and
- (iv) in respect of Commodity Linked Notes, and if the relevant Final Terms specify "Automatic Early Redemption Date – Commodity Linked Condition 9 (*General Definitions*)" to be applicable, "Automatic Early Redemption Date" has the meaning ascribed to it in Commodity Linked Condition 9 (*General Definitions*);

**"Automatic Early Redemption Event"** in respect of: (i) EIS Notes, has the meaning ascribed to it in the EIS Note Payout Conditions, and (ii) Notes other than EIS Notes and any Applicable Date, means (and an Automatic Early Redemption Event shall be deemed to have occurred in respect of such Applicable Date if), the Calculation Agent determines that the Reference Price of the Underlying Asset on such Applicable Date is greater than or equal to the Automatic Early Redemption Barrier;

**"Bloomberg Page"** means, in respect of a Reference Rate and any designated page, the display page so designated on the Bloomberg® service (or such other page as may replace that page on that service (or replace such services) for the purpose of displaying a rate comparable to such Reference Rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent);

**"Broken Amount"** means the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Business Day"** means (unless otherwise defined in the Note Payout Conditions or the EIS Note Payout Conditions, as applicable):

- (i) in relation to any sum payable in euro, a TARGET Settlement Day and a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments generally in each (if any) Additional Business Centre;

- (ii) in relation to any sum payable in CNY, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments generally in the CNY Financial Centre(s) and in each (if any) Additional Business Centre;
- (iii) in relation to any sum payable in a currency other than euro or CNY, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments generally in the Principal Financial Centre of the relevant currency and in each (if any) Additional Business Centre, provided that if the Additional Business Centre is specified in the relevant Final Terms to be or to include TARGET, then a Business Day shall also be a TARGET Settlement Day;
- (iv) in the case of Notes held or to be held in Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, a day on which Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg (as the case may be) is open for business;
- (v) in the case of Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which banks in Sweden are open for business;
- (vi) in the case of VPS Registered Notes, a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which banks in Norway are open for business;
- (vii) in the case of Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, a day on which Euroclear Finland and the Euroclear Finland System (in which the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes are registered) are open for business in accordance with the Euroclear Finland Rules; and
- (viii) in the case of Euroclear France Registered Notes, a day on which Euroclear France is open for business,

unless, in each case, the relevant Final Terms specify "**Non-Default Business Day**" to be applicable, in which case "Business Day" means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments generally in each (if any) Additional Business Centre;

"**Business Day Convention**" means, in relation to any relevant date referred to in the Conditions which is specified to be adjusted in accordance with a Business Day Convention, the convention for adjusting such date if it would otherwise fall on a day that is not a Business Day, and if the Business Day Convention specified in the relevant Final Terms is:

- (i) "**Following Business Day Convention**", the relevant date shall be postponed to the first following day that is a Business Day;
- (ii) "**Modified Following Business Day Convention**" or "**Modified Business Day Convention**", the relevant date shall be postponed to the first following day that is a Business Day unless that day falls in the next calendar month in which case that date will be the first preceding day that is a Business Day;
- (iii) "**Nearest**", the relevant date shall be the first preceding day that is a Business Day, if the relevant date would otherwise fall on a day other than a Sunday or a Monday, and will be the first following day that is a Business Day, if the relevant date would otherwise fall on a Sunday or a Monday;
- (iv) "**Preceding Business Day Convention**", the relevant date will be the first preceding day that is a Business Day;
- (v) "**FRN Convention**", "**Floating Rate Convention**" or "**Eurodollar Convention**", each relevant date shall be the date which numerically corresponds to the preceding such date in the calendar month which is the number of months specified in the relevant Final Terms as the Specified Period after the calendar month in which the preceding such date occurred provided, however, that:

- (A) if there is no such numerically corresponding day in the calendar month in which any such date should occur, then such date will be the last day which is a Business Day in that calendar month;
  - (B) if any such date would otherwise fall on a day which is not a Business Day, then such date will be the first following day which is a Business Day unless that day falls in the next calendar month, in which case it will be the first preceding day which is a Business Day; and
  - (C) if the preceding such date occurred on the last day in a calendar month which was a Business Day, then all subsequent such dates will be the last day which is a Business Day in the calendar month which is the Specified Period after the calendar month in which the preceding such date occurred; and
- (vi) **"No Adjustment"**, the relevant date shall not be adjusted in accordance with any Business Day Convention;

**"Calculation Agent"** means Goldman Sachs International or such other Person specified in the relevant Final Terms as the party responsible for calculating the Rate(s) of Interest and Interest Amount(s) and/or such other amount(s) as may be specified in the Conditions;

**"Calculation Amount"** means the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Calculation Period"** has the meaning given in the definition of **"Day Count Fraction"**;

**"Call Option Notice Date"** means each date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms or, if an Optional Redemption Table is set out in the relevant Final Terms, with respect to an Optional Redemption Date (Call) specified in the Optional Redemption Table in the column entitled "Optional Redemption Date(s) (Call)", each date set forth in the Optional Redemption Table in the column entitled "Call Option Notice Date(s)" in the row corresponding to such Optional Redemption Date (Call);

**"Cayman Deed of Covenant"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(f) (*Deed of Covenant*);

**"Clearing System"** means Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Euroclear France, the Euroclear Sweden System, the VPS System and/or the Euroclear Finland System or such other clearing system as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Clearing System Business Day"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 11(g) (*Record Date*);

**"Clearstream, Luxembourg"** means Clearstream Banking, société anonyme;

**"Closing Share Price"** has the meaning given in the Share Linked Conditions;

**"CNY"** means Chinese Renminbi, the lawful currency of the People's Republic of China (including any lawful successor to the CNY);

**"CNY Financial Centre"** has the meaning given in FX Linked Condition 3 (*Definitions*);

**"CNY FX Disruption Event"** has the meaning given in FX Linked Condition 3 (*Definitions*);

**"Commodity Linked Conditions"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(c) (*Terms and Conditions*);

**"Commodity Linked Notes"** are any Notes specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Conditions"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(c) (*Terms and Conditions*);

**"Day Count Fraction"** means, in respect of the calculation of an amount for any period of time (the **"Calculation Period"**), such day count fraction as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms and:

- (i) if "**Actual/Actual (ICMA)**" is so specified, means:
  - (A) where the Calculation Period is equal to or shorter than the Regular Period during which it falls, the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by the product of (1) the actual number of days in such Regular Period and (2) the number of Regular Periods in any year; and
  - (B) where the Calculation Period is longer than one Regular Period, the sum of:
    - (1) the actual number of days in such Calculation Period falling in the Regular Period in which it begins divided by the product of (a) the actual number of days in such Regular Period and (b) the number of Regular Periods in any year; and
    - (2) the actual number of days in such Calculation Period falling in the next Regular Period divided by the product of (a) the actual number of days in such Regular Period and (b) the number of Regular Periods in any year;
- (ii) if "**Actual/365**" or "**Actual/Actual (ISDA)**" is so specified, means the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 365 (or, if any portion of the Calculation Period falls in a leap year, the sum of (A) the actual number of days in that portion of the Calculation Period falling in a leap year divided by 366 and (B) the actual number of days in that portion of the Calculation Period falling in a non-leap year divided by 365);
- (iii) if "**Actual/365 (Fixed)**" is so specified, means the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 365;
- (iv) if "**Actual/360**" is so specified, means the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360;
- (v) if "**30/360**" is so specified, means the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

$$\text{Day Count Fraction} = \frac{[360 \times (Y_2 - Y_1)] + [30 \times (M_2 - M_1)] + (D_2 - D_1)}{360}$$

Where:

"Y<sub>1</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;

"Y<sub>2</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Calculation Period falls;

"M<sub>1</sub>" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;

"M<sub>2</sub>" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Calculation Period falls;

"D<sub>1</sub>" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D<sub>1</sub> will be 30; and

"D<sub>2</sub>" is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day of the Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31 and D<sub>1</sub> is greater than 29, in which case D<sub>2</sub> will be 30; and

- (vi) if "**30E/360**" or "**Eurobond Basis**" is so specified means, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:



$$\text{Day Count Fraction} = \frac{[360 \times (Y_2 - Y_1) + [30 \times (M_2 - M_1)] + (D_2 - D_1)]}{360}$$

Where:

"Y<sub>1</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;

"Y<sub>2</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Calculation Period falls;

"M<sub>1</sub>" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;

"M<sub>2</sub>" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Calculation Period falls;

"D<sub>1</sub>" is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D<sub>1</sub> will be 30; and

"D<sub>2</sub>" is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day of the Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D<sub>2</sub> will be 30;

**"Deed of Covenant"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(f) (*Deed of Covenant*);

**"Deliverable Assets"** means the number of Shares as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"EIS Notes"** are any Notes specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"euro"**, **"EUR"** or **"€"** means the lawful single currency of the member states of the European Union that have adopted and continue to retain a common single currency through monetary union in accordance with European Union treaty law (as amended from time to time);

**"Euroclear"** means Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V.;

**"Euroclear Finland"** means *Euroclear Finland Oy*, the Finnish Central Securities Depository;

**"Euroclear Finland Holder"** means the person in whose name an Euroclear Finland Registered Note is registered or the person on whose book-entry securities account the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes are held including a nominee account holder (as the case may be);

**"Euroclear Finland Register"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 4(c) (*Title to the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes*);

**"Euroclear Finland Registered Notes"** means any Notes registered with Euroclear Finland in the Euroclear Finland System and issued in uncertificated and dematerialised book-entry form in accordance with the Finnish Regulations;

**"Euroclear Finland Rules"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 3(b) (*Euroclear Finland Registered Notes*);

**"Euroclear Finland System"** means the technical system at Euroclear Finland for the registration of securities and the clearing and settlement of securities transactions;

**"Euroclear France"** means Euroclear France S.A.;

**"Euroclear France Registered Notes"** means any Tranche of Registered Notes cleared through Euroclear France;

**"Euroclear Sweden"** means Euroclear Sweden AB, the Swedish Central Securities Depositary;

**"Euroclear Sweden Holder"** means the person in whose name a Euroclear Sweden Registered Note is registered in the Euroclear Sweden Register and shall also include any person duly authorised to act as a nominee and registered as a holder of the Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes;

**"Euroclear Sweden Register"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 4(d) (*Title to the Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes*);

**"Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes"** means any Tranche of Notes registered with Euroclear Sweden and issued in uncertificated and dematerialised book-entry form in accordance with the SFIA Act;

**"Euroclear Sweden Rules"** means the SFIA Act and all other applicable Swedish laws, regulations and operating procedures applicable to and/or issued by Euroclear Sweden from time to time;

**"Event of Default"** means any of the events described in General Note Condition 14(a) (*Events of Default*);

**"Final Redemption Amount"** means, in respect of each Note, the amount determined in accordance with the Note Payout Conditions or EIS Note Payout Conditions which are specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Final Terms"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(d) (*Final Terms*);

**"Finnish Paying Agent"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(b) (*Agency Agreement*);

**"Finnish Regulations"** means the Finnish Securities Markets Act (746/2012), Act on the Book-Entry System and Clearing Operations (749/2012), Act on Book-Entry Accounts (827/1991), the Euroclear Finland Rules and the rules of the OMX Nordic Exchange Helsinki Oy;

**"first currency"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 21 (*Currency Indemnity*);

**"Fiscal Agent"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(b) (*Agency Agreement*);

**"Fixed Coupon Amount"** means the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, unless the relevant Final Terms specify **"BRL FX Note Conditions"** or **"FX Note Conditions"** to be applicable, in which case, the **"Fixed Coupon Amount"** shall be determined in accordance with the Note Payout Conditions;

**"Fractional Cash Amount"** means an amount in Specified Currency determined by the Calculation Agent as (i) the Fractional Entitlement, multiplied by (ii) the Closing Share Price on the Valuation Date, or such other amount as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Fractional Entitlement"** means, in respect of each nominal amount of each Note equal to the Calculation Amount, the fraction of the Deliverable Assets existing prior to rounding down to the nearest whole number resulting from the calculation of the Deliverable Assets, rounded to the nearest four decimal places, with 0.00005 rounded upwards (or such other Specified Decimal Place), as determined by the Calculation Agent;

**"French Paying Agent"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(b) (*Agency Agreement*);

**"FX Disruption Event"** has the meaning given in FX Linked Condition 3 (*Definitions*);

**"FX Disruption Event Cut-off Date"** means the Specified Day(s) following the original date on which the relevant Interest Payment Date, Maturity Date or other date on which amounts

are payable under the Notes by the Issuer, as applicable, was scheduled to fall, unless the relevant Final Terms specify "Default FX Disruption Event Cut-off Date", in which case, "FX Disruption Event Cut-off Date" means the fifteenth Business Day following the original date on which the relevant Interest Payment Date, Maturity Date or other date on which amounts are payable under the Notes by the Issuer, as applicable, was scheduled to fall;

**"FX Linked Conditions"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(c) (*Terms and Conditions*);

**"FX Linked Interest"** means the Interest Amount or Rate of Interest payable being determined by reference to a currency exchange rate or a basket of currency exchange rates;

**"FX Linked Notes"** are any Notes specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Global Registered Note"** means any Registered Note in global form;

**"GSG"** means The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.;

**"GSI"** means Goldman Sachs International;

**"GSW"** means Goldman, Sachs & Co. Wertpapier GmbH;

**"Guarantor"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(a) (*Programme*);

**"Guaranty"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(e) (*Guaranty*);

**"Hedge Positions"** means any one or more securities positions, derivatives positions or other instruments or arrangements (howsoever described) purchased, sold, entered into or maintained by the Issuer, the Guarantor or any affiliate thereof, in order to hedge, or otherwise in connection with, the Notes including, for the avoidance of doubt, any such positions in respect of the relevant Deliverable Assets in respect of the Notes;

**"Holder"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 4(a) (*Title to Registered Notes*);

**"Index Linked Conditions"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(c) (*Terms and Conditions*);

**"Index Linked Notes"** are any Notes specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Individual Note Certificates"** means individual Note Certificates;

**"Inflation Linked Conditions"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(c) (*Terms and Conditions*);

**"Inflation Linked Notes"** are any Notes specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Interest Amount"** means, in respect of a period or an Interest Payment Date, the amount of interest payable for such period or on such Interest Payment Date as determined or calculated in accordance with the Conditions;

**"Interest Basis"** means Fixed Rate, Floating Rate, FX Linked Interest, as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Interest Commencement Date"** means the Issue Date of the Notes or such other date as may be specified as the Interest Commencement Date in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Interest Determination Date"** means, in respect of the Reference Rate for any relevant day, such relevant day or, if specified in the relevant Final Terms, such number of Rate Business Days prior to such relevant day as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Interest Payment Date"** means each date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, provided that if the relevant Final Terms specify "Floating Rate Note Conditions" to be applicable or the Conditions specify that such date is subject to adjustment in accordance with

a Business Day Convention, if such date is not a Business Day, it shall be adjusted in accordance with the Business Day Convention, and if the Business Day Convention is the FRN Convention, Floating Rate Convention or Eurodollar Convention and an interval of a number of calendar months is specified in the relevant Final Terms as the Specified Period, each of such dates as may occur in accordance with the FRN Convention, Floating Rate Convention or Eurodollar Convention at such Specified Period following the Interest Commencement Date (in the case of the first Interest Payment Date) or the previous Interest Payment Date (in any other case), unless the relevant Final Terms specify "**BRL FX Note Conditions**" or "**FX Note Conditions**" to be applicable, in which case, "Interest Payment Date" has the meaning given to it in the Note Payout Conditions;

**"Interest Period"** means each period commencing on (and including) the Interest Commencement Date or any Interest Payment Date and ending on (but excluding) the next Interest Payment Date, and, if the relevant Final Terms specifies that the Interest Periods, or particular Interest Periods shall be (i) "Adjusted", then each Interest Period shall commence on or end on, as the case may be, the relevant Interest Payment Date after all applicable adjustments to such Interest Payment Date pursuant to the Conditions, or (ii) "Unadjusted", then each Interest Period shall commence on or end on, as the case may be, the date on which the relevant Interest Payment Date is scheduled to fall, disregarding all applicable adjustments to such Interest Payment Date pursuant to the Conditions;

**"Interest Period Start Date"** means the Interest Commencement Date and each other date specified in the Interest Rate Table in the column entitled "Interest Period Start Date";

**"Interest Rate Table"** means the table specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"ISDA"** means the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc.;

**"ISDA Rate"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 8(d) (*ISDA Determination*);

**"Issue Date"** means the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Issue Price"** means, unless otherwise defined in the Note Payout Conditions, the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Issuer"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(a) (*Programme*);

**"Margin"** means, in respect of each Interest Period commencing on or after Interest Commencement Date and the Interest Payment Date scheduled to fall on each Interest Period Start Date, the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms or, if an Interest Rate Table is set out in the relevant Final Terms, each amount set forth in the Interest Rate Table in the column entitled "Margin" appearing in the same row in the Interest Rate Table in which such Interest Period Start Date appears;

**"Maturity Date"** means (unless otherwise defined in the Note Payout Conditions or the EIS Note Payout Conditions):

- (i) the Scheduled Maturity Date, and if the Relevant Determination Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, the Maturity Date shall instead be the day falling the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Settlement Period Business Days after the Relevant Determination Date;
- (ii) in respect of Share Linked Notes, and if the relevant Final Terms specify "Maturity Date – Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)" to be applicable, "Maturity Date" has the meaning ascribed to it in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*);
- (iii) in respect of Index Linked Notes, and if the relevant Final Terms specify "Maturity Date – Index Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)" to be applicable, "Maturity Date" has the meaning ascribed to it in Index Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*); and
- (iv) in respect of Commodity Linked Notes, and if the relevant Final Terms specify "Maturity Date – Commodity Linked Condition 9 (*General Definitions*)" to be

applicable, "Maturity Date" has the meaning ascribed to it in Commodity Linked Condition 9 (*General Definitions*)

unless, in each case, the relevant Final Terms specify:

- (A) **"Maturity Date Specific Adjustment"** to be applicable, the Maturity Date shall be the Scheduled Maturity Date or, if later, the later to occur of (I) the Specified Day(s) after the Scheduled Determination Date, and (II) the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Settlement Period Business Days after the Relevant Determination Date; or
- (B) **"Business Day Adjustment"** to be applicable, the Maturity Date shall be the Scheduled Maturity Date or if such date is not a Business Day, the Maturity Date shall be such date after adjustments, if applicable, in accordance with the Business Day Convention specified in the relevant Final Terms as the **"Maturity Date Business Day Convention"**;

**"Maximum Rate of Interest"** means the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, or, if an Interest Rate Table is set out in the relevant Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period commencing on or after the Interest Payment Date scheduled to fall on each Interest Period Start Date, the amount set forth in the Interest Rate Table in the column entitled "Maximum Rate of Interest" appearing in the same row in the Interest Rate Table in which such Interest Period Start Date appears;

**"Minimum Rate of Interest"** means the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, or, if an Interest Rate Table is set out in the relevant Final Terms, in respect of each Interest Period commencing on or after the Interest Payment Date scheduled to fall on each Interest Period Start Date, the amount set forth in the Interest Rate Table in the column entitled "Minimum Rate of Interest" appearing in the same row in the Interest Rate Table in which such Interest Period Start Date appears;

**"Minimum Trading Number"** means the minimum principal amount of Notes which may be transferred in each transaction as specified in the relevant Final Terms pursuant to General Note Condition 5(f) (*Minimum Trading Number*);

**"NFIA Act"** means the Norwegian Securities Register Act of 2002 (in Norwegian: *lov om registrering av finansielle instrumenter av 5 juli 2002 nr. 64*);

**"New Issuer"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 23 (*Substitution*);

**"Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount"** means, on any day:

- (i) if **"Par"** is specified in the relevant Final Terms, an amount in the Specified Currency, equal to the Specified Denomination of a Note (or, if less, its outstanding nominal amount); or
- (ii) if **"Fair Market Value"** is specified in the relevant Final Terms, an amount, in the Specified Currency, which shall be determined by the Calculation Agent, based on the quotes of three Qualified Financial Institutions, as the suitable market price of a Note, taking into account its remaining present value, immediately before the redemption. In the event that quotes are not able to be obtained from three Qualified Financial Institutions, the amount shall be determined in good faith by the Calculation Agent as the fair market value of the Note, taking into account the remaining present value, immediately before the redemption, and, only if "Adjusted for any reasonable expenses and costs" is specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms, adjusted to account fully for any reasonable expenses and costs of the Issuer and/or its affiliates, including, those relating to the unwinding of any underlying and/or related hedging and funding arrangements, as determined by the Calculation Agent;

**"Norwegian Paying Agent"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(b) (*Agency Agreement*);

**"Norwegian Put Option Notice"** means a notice which must be delivered to a Norwegian Paying Agent by any VPS Holder wanting to exercise a right to redeem a VPS Registered Note at the option of the VPS Holder;

**"Note Certificate"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 4(a) (*Title to Registered Notes*);

**"Noteholder"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 4(a) (*Title to Registered Notes*);

**"Notes"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(b) (*Agency Agreement*);

**"Number of Automatic Early Redemption Settlement Period Business Days"** means the number of Business Days which the Calculation Agent anticipates, as of the Strike Date, shall fall in the period commencing on, but excluding, the Scheduled Applicable Date corresponding to the relevant Applicable Date, and ending on, and including, the corresponding Scheduled Automatic Early Redemption Date in respect of such Applicable Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent;

**"Number of Settlement Period Business Days"** means the number of Business Days which the Calculation Agent anticipates, as at the Strike Date, shall fall in the period commencing on, but excluding, the Scheduled Determination Date, and ending on, and including, the Scheduled Maturity Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent;

**"Optional Redemption Amount (Call)"** means the amount as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Optional Redemption Amount (Put)"** means the amount as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Optional Redemption Date (Call)"** means the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms or, if an Optional Redemption Table is set out in the relevant Final Terms, each date set forth in the Optional Redemption Table in the column entitled "Optional Redemption Date(s) (Call)";

**"Optional Redemption Date (Put)"** means, in respect of each nominal amount of each Note equal to the Calculation Amount for which a Put Option Notice has been received and the Put Option Exercise Date of such Put Option Notice, such number of Business Day(s) following the relevant Put Option Exercise Date as is specified in the relevant Final Terms, unless the relevant Final Terms specify "Default Optional Redemption Date (Put)", in which case, the "Optional Redemption Date (Put)" means the fifth Business Day following the relevant Put Option Exercise Date;

**"Optional Redemption Table"** means the table specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Original Primary Rate"** means any Reference Rate or ISDA Rate specified in the relevant Final Terms or calculated or determined in accordance with the provisions of these General Note Conditions and/or the Note Payout Conditions;

**"Participation Rate"** means, in respect of each Interest Period commencing on or after Interest Commencement Date and the Interest Payment Date scheduled to fall on each Interest Period Start Date, the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms or, if an Interest Rate Table is set out in the relevant Final Terms, each amount set forth in the Interest Rate Table in the column entitled "Participation Rate" appearing in the same row in the Interest Rate Table in which such Interest Period Start Date appears;

**"Paying Agents"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(b) (*Agency Agreement*);

**"Payment Business Day"** means:

- (i) if the currency of payment is euro, any day which is:

- (A) a day on which banks in the relevant place of presentation or surrender are open for presentation and payment of debt securities and for dealings in foreign currencies; and
- (B) in the case of payment by transfer to an account, a TARGET Settlement Day and a day on which dealings in foreign currencies may be carried on in each (if any) Additional Financial Centre,

provided that if the relevant Final Terms specify "Non-Default Payment Business Day" to be applicable, the "Payment Business Day" in the case where the currency of payment is euro will be determined in accordance with paragraph (ii) below;

- (ii) if the currency of payment is not euro, any day which is:

- (A) a day on which banks in the relevant place of presentation or surrender are open for presentation and payment of debt securities and for dealings in foreign currencies; and
- (B) in the case of payment by transfer to an account, a day on which dealings in foreign currencies may be carried on in the Principal Financial Centre of the currency of payment and in each (if any) Additional Financial Centre,

unless the relevant Final Terms specify "BRL FX Note Conditions" to be applicable, in which case a "Payment Business Day" means each Business Day as defined in the Note Payout Conditions;

**"Permitted Trading Multiple"** has the meaning given to it in the relevant Final Terms pursuant to General Note Condition 5(f) (*Minimum Trading Number*);

**"Person"** means any individual, company, corporation, firm, partnership, joint venture, association, organisation, state or agency of a state or other entity, whether or not having separate legal personality;

**"Physical Settlement"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 12(a) (*Physical Settlement*);

**"Physical Settlement Amount"** means the amount of Deliverable Assets to be delivered in respect of each nominal amount of each Note equal to the Calculation Amount pursuant to General Note Condition 12 (*Physical Settlement*);

**"Physical Settlement Cut-off Date"** means the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, unless the relevant Final Terms specify "Default Physical Settlement Cut-off Date", in which case, "Physical Settlement Cut-off Date" means the second Business Day prior to the relevant Physical Settlement Date;

**"Physical Settlement Date"** means the date specified as such in the Final Terms;

**"Physical Settlement Disruption Amount"** means the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Physical Settlement Disruption Event"** means any event that has occurred as a result of which, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the Issuer cannot, or it is commercially impracticable for the Issuer to effect Physical Settlement of all or any of the Deliverable Assets;

**"Pricing Date"** has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Principal Financial Centre"** means, in relation to any currency, the principal financial centre for that currency provided, however, that:

- (i) in relation to euro, it means the principal financial centre of such Member State of the European Communities as is selected (in the case of a payment) by the payee or (in the case of a calculation) by the Calculation Agent;
- (ii) in relation to Australian dollars, it means either Sydney or Melbourne and, in relation to New Zealand dollars, it means either Wellington or Auckland; in each case as is selected (in the case of a payment) by the payee or (in the case of a calculation) by the Calculation Agent; and
- (iii) in relation to USD, it means New York City,

unless the relevant Final Terms specify "**Non-Default Principal Financial Centre**" to be applicable, in which case "Principal Financial Centre" means, in relation to any currency, the principal financial centre(s) for that currency as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

"**Proceedings**" has the meaning given in General Note Condition 27 (*Jurisdiction*);

"**Programme**" has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(a) (*Programme*);

"**Put Option**" has the meaning given in General Note Condition 10(c) (*Redemption at the option of Noteholders*);

"**Put Option Exercise Date**" means, in respect of each nominal amount of each Note equal to the Calculation Amount for which a Put Option Notice has been received by the relevant Paying Agent (in the case of Notes represented by Individual Note Certificates), or by the Calculation Agent, the Fiscal Agent and the relevant Clearing System (in the case of Notes represented by Global Registered Notes) in accordance with the Conditions:

- (i) if such Put Option Notice is so received by: (A) the relevant Paying Agent (in the case of Notes represented by Individual Note Certificates) during normal business hours in the city where such Paying Agent has its Specified Office on a Business Day within the Put Option Notice Period, such Business Day or (B) the Calculation Agent, the Fiscal Agent and the relevant Clearing System (in the case of Notes represented by Global Registered Notes) on or before the time specified in General Note Condition 10(e) for receipt of such Put Option Notice on a Business Day within the Put Option Notice Period, such Business Day; or
- (ii) if such Put Option Notice is so received by: (A) the relevant Paying Agent (in the case of Notes represented by Individual Note Certificates) after normal business hours in the city where such Paying Agent has its Specified Office on a Business Day within the Put Option Notice Period, the immediately following Business Day or (B) the Calculation Agent, the Fiscal Agent and the relevant Clearing System (in the case of Notes represented by Global Registered Notes) after the time specified in General Note Condition 10(c) for receipt of such Put Option Notice on a Business Day, the immediately following Business Day;

"**Put Option Notice**" means a notice substantially in the form set out in the Agency Agreement to be delivered by a holder of any Note in relation to the exercise of the Put Option in respect of such Note, provided that in the case of any notice given to any relevant Clearing System, such notice may be delivered through such electronic instructions as permitted by the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing System;

"**Put Option Notice Period**" means such number of days or Business Days before each Optional Redemption Date (Put) or such other period of time as is specified in the relevant Final Terms, unless the relevant Final Terms specify "Default Notice Period", in which case, "Put Option Notice Period" means not less than 30 nor more than 60 days before the relevant Optional Redemption Date (Put).

"**Put Option Receipt**" means a receipt issued by a Paying Agent to a depositing Noteholder upon deposit of a Note with such Paying Agent by any Noteholder wanting to exercise a right to redeem a Note at the option of the Noteholder;



**"Qualified Financial Institution"** means, for the purpose of determining the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount at any time where "Fair Market Value" is specified in the relevant Final Terms, a financial institution organised under the laws of any jurisdiction in the United States of America or Europe, which at that time has outstanding debt obligations with a stated maturity of one year or less from the date of issue and rated either:

- (i) A-1 or higher by Standard & Poor's Ratings Group or any successor, or any other comparable rating then used by that rating agency, or
- (ii) P-1 or higher by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or any successor, or any other comparable rating then used by that rating agency;

**"Rate Business Day"** means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in each of the Relevant Financial Centres as specified in the relevant Final Terms or a TARGET Settlement Day as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Rate of Interest"** means the rate or rates (expressed as a percentage per annum) of interest payable in respect of the Notes specified in the relevant Final Terms or calculated or determined in accordance with the provisions of these General Note Conditions and/or the Note Payout Conditions;

**"Record Date"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 11(d) (*Payments of Interest and Principal in accordance with the Euroclear Finland Rules*), General Note Condition 11(e) (*Payments in respect of Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes; Swedish Paying Agent*), General Note Condition 11(f) (*Payments in respect of VPS Registered Notes; Norwegian Paying Agent*) or General Note Condition 11(g) (*Record Date*), as applicable;

**"Redemption Amount"** means, as appropriate, the Final Redemption Amount, the Automatic Early Redemption Amount, the Optional Redemption Amount (Call), the Optional Redemption Amount (Put) as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms, or determined in accordance with the provisions of the Conditions;

**"Reference Banks"** means four major banks selected by the Calculation Agent in the market that is most closely connected with the Reference Rate;

**"Reference Price"** means, in respect of any relevant day and if the Underlying Asset specified in the relevant Final Terms is:

- (i) a Share, the Closing Share Price of the Share on such day; or
- (ii) an Index, the Closing Index Level of the Index on such day; or
- (iii) a Commodity, the Commodity Reference Price of the Commodity on such day; or
- (iv) a Commodity Index, the Closing Level of the Commodity Index on such day; or
- (v) an FX Rate, the Currency Price on such day; or
- (vi) an Inflation Index, the level of the Inflation Index published for the Relevant Reference Month immediately preceding such day;

**"Reference Rate"** means, in respect of any relevant day, the rate for deposits in the Reference Rate Currency for a period equal to the Relevant Maturity, expressed as a percentage, which appears on the Relevant Screen Page(s) on the Interest Determination Date corresponding to such relevant day, provided that in respect of any relevant day, (i) if the rate published on each of the Relevant Screen Pages is different, and the relevant Final Terms specify: (A) "Reuters Screen shall prevail", the rate published on the Reuters Screen shall prevail; or (B) "Bloomberg Page shall prevail", the rate published on the Bloomberg Page shall prevail, and (ii) if the rate is published for such relevant day on one Relevant Screen Page but not the other, then the rate that is published shall prevail;

**"Reference Rate Currency"** means the currency specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Register"** means the register held by the Registrar in respect of the Registered Notes;

**"Registered Notes"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(f) (*Deed of Covenant*);

**"Registrar"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(b) (*Agency Agreement*);

**"Regular Period"** means:

- (i) in the case of Notes where interest is scheduled to be paid only by means of regular payments, each period from and including the Interest Commencement Date to but excluding the first Interest Payment Date and each successive period from and including one Interest Payment Date to but excluding the next Interest Payment Date;
- (ii) in the case of Notes where, apart from the first Interest Period, interest is scheduled to be paid only by means of regular payments, each period from and including a Regular Date falling in any year to but excluding the next Regular Date, where **"Regular Date"** means the day and month (but not the year) on which any Interest Payment Date falls; and
- (iii) in the case of Notes where, apart from one Interest Period other than the first Interest Period, interest is scheduled to be paid only by means of regular payments, each period from and including a Regular Date falling in any year to but excluding the next Regular Date, where **"Regular Date"** means the day and month (but not the year) on which any Interest Payment Date falls other than the Interest Payment Date falling at the end of the irregular Interest Period;

**"Relevant Date"** means, in relation to any payment, whichever is the later of (a) the date on which the payment in question first becomes due and (b) if the full amount payable has not been received in the Principal Financial Centre of the currency of payment by the Fiscal Agent on or prior to such due date, the date on which (the full amount having been so received) notice to that effect has been given to the Noteholders;

**"Relevant Determination Date"** means the Valuation Date, the Latest Reference Date in respect of the Valuation Date, the Pricing Date, the Latest Reference Date in respect of the Pricing Date, or such other date as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Relevant Financial Centre"** means the place(s) specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Relevant Reference Month"** means each month(s) specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Relevant Maturity"** means such period of time as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Relevant Rules"** means the terms and conditions, the rules, regulations or other procedures governing the use of Clearstream, Luxembourg, Euroclear and/or such other relevant Clearing System, as may be amended, updated or replaced from time to time;

**"Relevant Screen Page"** or **"Relevant Screen Pages"** means the Bloomberg Page or the Reuters Screen (or both) specified as the Relevant Screen Page or the Relevant Screen Pages in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Relevant Time"** means the time in the place specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Resolution"** has the meaning given in the Agency Agreement;

**"Reuters Screen"** means, in respect of a Reference Rate and any designated page, the display page so designated on the Reuters Monitor Money Rates Service (or such other page as may

replace that page on that service (or replace such services) for the purpose of displaying a rate comparable to such Reference Rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent);

**"Scheduled Applicable Date"** means the original date, prior to adjustment, if any, on which the relevant Applicable Date is scheduled to fall;

**"Scheduled Determination Date"** means the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Scheduled Maturity Date"** means the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"second currency"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 21 (*Currency Indemnity*);

**"Series"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(d) (*Final Terms*);

**"SFIA Act"** means the Swedish Financial Instruments Accounts Act (SFS 1998:1479);

**"Share Linked Conditions"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(c) (*Terms and Conditions*);

**"Share Linked Notes"** are any Notes specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"South African Notes"** has the meaning given in the Additional South African Note Conditions;

**"Specified Currency"** means the currency specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Specified Day(s)"** means such number of Business Day(s), Clearing System Business Day(s) or calendar days as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Specified Decimal Place"** means, in relation to the rounding of any relevant amount pursuant to General Note Condition 22 (*Rounding*), such number of decimal place(s) as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Specified Denomination(s)"** means the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Specified Office"** in respect of each Agent, has the meaning given in the Agency Agreement;

**"Specified Period"** means the period of time specified as such the relevant Final Terms;

**"Specified Sub-Unit"** means, in relation to the rounding of any relevant currency amount pursuant to General Note Condition 22 (*Rounding*), an amount of such currency that is available as legal tender in the country of such currency as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Specified Time"** means the time in the place specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Strike Date"** means the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Subsidiary"** means, in relation to any Person (the **"first Person"**) at any particular time, any other Person (the **"second Person"**):

- (i) whose affairs and policies the first Person controls or has the power to control, whether by ownership of share capital, contract, the power to appoint or remove members of the governing body of the second Person or otherwise; or
- (ii) whose financial statements are, in accordance with applicable law and generally accepted accounting principles, consolidated with those of the first Person;

**"Swedish Paying Agent"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(b) (*Agency Agreement*);

**"TARGET Settlement Day"** means any day on which the TARGET2 System is open;

**"TARGET2 System"** means the Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System, or any successor thereto;

**"Taxes"** means any applicable stamp duty, stamp duty reserve tax, estate, inheritance, gift, transfer, capital gains, corporation, income, property, withholding and/or other taxes or duties incurred, or any expenses, costs or fees (and, except in the case of its Hedge Positions other brokerage commissions) incurred by, imposed on or assessed to the Issuer (or any of its affiliates) in connection with the issue, transfer or exercise of any Notes or its Hedge Positions, or otherwise in connection with the transfer of cash dividends, Deliverable Assets or Physical Settlement, including, but not limited to, any cost related to or arising out of any default or delay by any broker, dealer, relevant market, clearing house or hedge counterparty and includes any taxes, expenses and charges imposed on or assessed to the Hedge Positions entered into in respect of the Notes, without regard to any refunds, credits or any other benefit or reduction that may accrue thereon through tax treaties or any other arrangements;

**"Tranche"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(d) (*Final Terms*);

**"Transfer Agents"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(b) (*Agency Agreement*);

**"Underlying Asset"** means a Share, an Index, a Commodity, a Commodity Index, an FX Rate, an Inflation Index, as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Underlying Asset Conditions"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(c) (*Terms and Conditions*);

**"USD"** means the United States dollar, being the lawful currency of the United States of America;

**"USD Equivalent Amount"** has the meaning given in FX Linked Condition 3 (*Definitions*);

**"Valuation Date"** in respect of an Underlying Asset, has the meaning given in the applicable Underlying Asset Conditions;

**"VPS"** means Verdipapirsentralen ASA, the Norwegian Central Securities Depository;

**"VPS Holder"** means the person in whose name a VPS Registered Note is registered in the VPS Register and shall also include any person duly authorised to act as a nominee (in Norwegian: *forvalter*) and registered as a holder of the VPS Registered Notes;

**"VPS Register"** has the meaning given in General Note Condition 4(e) (*Title to the VPS Registered Notes*);

**"VPS Registered Notes"** means any Notes registered with VPS and issued in uncertificated and dematerialised book-entry form in accordance with the NFIA Act; and

**"VPS Rules"** means the NFIA Act and all other applicable Norwegian laws, regulations and operating procedures applicable to and/or issued by the VPS from time to time;

(b) *Interpretation:* In these General Note Conditions:

- (i) any reference to principal shall be deemed to include the Redemption Amount, any premium payable in respect of a Note and any other amount in the nature of principal payable pursuant to these General Note Conditions;
- (ii) any reference to interest shall be deemed to include any amount in the nature of interest payable pursuant to these General Note Conditions;
- (iii) references to Notes being "outstanding" shall be construed in accordance with the Agency Agreement;

- (iv) if an expression is stated in General Note Condition 2(a) (*Definitions*) to have the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms, but the relevant Final Terms gives no such meaning or specifies that such expression is "not applicable" then such expression is not applicable to the Notes; and
- (v) any reference to the Agency Agreement, the Deed of Covenant, the Cayman Deed of Covenant or the Guaranty shall be construed as a reference to the Agency Agreement, the Deed of Covenant, the Cayman Deed of Covenant or the Guaranty, as the case may be, as amended and/or supplemented up to and including the Issue Date of the Notes.

### 3. **Form and Denomination**

- (a) *Registered Notes*: Registered Notes are in the Specified Denomination(s), which may include a minimum denomination specified in the relevant Final Terms and higher integral multiples of a smaller amount specified in the relevant Final Terms.
- (b) *Euroclear Finland Registered Notes*: The Euroclear Finland Registered Notes are in uncertificated and dematerialised book-entry form in accordance with the Finnish Act on the Book-Entry System and Clearing Operations (in Finnish: *laki arvo-osuusjärjestelmästä ja selvitystoiminnasta (749/2012)*) and with the Finnish Act on Book-Entry Accounts (in Finnish: *laki arvo-osuustileistä (827/1991)*). Euroclear Finland Registered Notes of one Specified Denomination may not be exchanged for Euroclear Finland Registered Notes of another Specified Denomination.

The Euroclear Finland Registered Notes shall be regarded as Registered Notes for the purposes of these General Note Conditions save to the extent these General Note Conditions are inconsistent with Finnish laws, regulations and operating procedures applicable to and/or issued by Euroclear Finland (the "**Euroclear Finland Rules**") and all references in these General Note Conditions to the "**Registrar**" with respect to the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes shall be deemed to be references to Euroclear Finland. No physical notes or certificates will be issued in respect of Euroclear Finland Registered Notes and the provisions relating to presentation, surrendering or replacement of Notes shall not apply to the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes.

- (c) *Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes*: The Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes are issued in uncertificated and dematerialised book-entry form in accordance with the SFIA Act (in Swedish: *lag (1998:1479) om kontoföring av finansiella instrument*) and the Securities Exchange and Clearing Act (SFS 1992:543). Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes of one Specified Denomination may not be exchanged for Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes of another Specified Denomination.

The Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes shall be regarded as Registered Notes for the purposes of these General Note Conditions save to the extent these General Note Conditions are inconsistent with the Euroclear Sweden Rules. No physical notes or certificates will be issued in respect of the Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes and the provisions in these General Note Conditions relating to presentation, surrendering or replacement of such physical notes or certificates shall not apply to the Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes.

- (d) *VPS Registered Notes*: The VPS Registered Notes are issued in uncertificated and dematerialised book-entry form in accordance with the Norwegian Securities Register Act (in Norwegian: *lov om registrering av finansielle instrumenter 2002 5. juli nr. 64*). VPS Registered Notes of one Specified Denomination may not be exchanged for VPS Registered Notes of another Specified Denomination.

The VPS Registered Notes shall be regarded as Registered Notes for the purposes of these General Note Conditions save to the extent these General Note Conditions are inconsistent with the VPS Rules. No physical notes or certificates will be issued in respect of the VPS Registered Notes and the provisions in these General Note Conditions relating to presentation, surrendering or replacement of such physical notes or certificates shall not apply to the VPS Registered Notes.

4. **Title**

- (a) *Title to Registered Notes:* The Registrar will maintain the Register in accordance with the provisions of the Agency Agreement. A certificate (each, a "**Note Certificate**") will be issued to each Holder of Registered Notes in respect of its registered holding. Each Note Certificate will be numbered serially with an identifying number which will be recorded in the Register. In the case of Registered Notes represented by Individual Note Certificates, "**Holder**" means the person in whose name such Registered Note is for the time being registered in the Register (or, in the case of a joint holding, the first named thereof) and "**Noteholder**" shall be construed accordingly.
- (b) *Title to Notes represented by a Global Registered Note:* For so long as any of the Notes is represented by a Global Registered Note held on behalf of Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear France, each Person (other than Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear France) who is for the time being shown in the records of Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear France as the holder of a particular principal amount of such Notes (in which regard any certificate or document issued by Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear France as to the principal amount of such Notes standing to the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes save in the case of manifest error or proven error) shall be treated by the Issuer and the Agents as the holder of such principal amount of such Notes for all purposes other than with respect to the payment of principal or interest (if any) on such principal amount of such Notes, the common depositary or, as the case may be, its nominee in respect of the relevant Global Registered Note shall be treated by the Issuer and any Agent as the holder of such principal amount of such Notes in accordance with and subject to the terms of the Global Registered Note; and the expressions "**Noteholder**" and "**holder of Notes**" and related expressions shall be construed accordingly. Notes which are represented by a Global Registered Note will be transferred only in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear France as the case may be. References to Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear France shall, wherever the context so permits, be deemed to include a reference to any additional or alternative Clearing System.
- (c) *Title to the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes:* Title to the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes shall pass by transfer from an Euroclear Finland Holder's book-entry securities account to another securities book-entry account within Euroclear Finland (except where the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes are nominee-registered and are transferred from one account to another account with the same nominee). Notwithstanding any secrecy obligation, the Issuer shall be entitled to obtain information (including but not limited to information on Euroclear Finland Holders) from the Euroclear Finland register (the "**Euroclear Finland Register**") maintained by the Registrar on behalf of the Issuer in accordance with the Euroclear Finland Rules, and Euroclear Finland shall be entitled to provide such information to the Issuer notwithstanding any secrecy obligation. The Issuer shall be entitled to pass such information to the Finnish Paying Agent, Paying Agents or Fiscal Agent or to authorise such Agent to acquire such information from Euroclear Finland directly. Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law, the Euroclear Finland Holder of any Note shall be deemed to be and may be treated as its absolute owner for all purposes, whether or not it is overdue and regardless of any notice of ownership, trust or an interest in it, any writing on it or its theft or loss and no person shall be liable for so treating the Euroclear Finland Holder.
- (d) *Title to the Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes:* Title to the Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes shall pass by registration in the register (the "**Euroclear Sweden Register**") maintained by the Swedish Paying Agent on behalf of the Issuer in accordance with the Euroclear Sweden Rules. The Issuer shall be entitled to obtain information from Euroclear Sweden in accordance with the Euroclear Sweden Rules, and the holders of Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes accept and consent to the Issuer being entitled to obtain from Euroclear Sweden, extracts from the book-entry registers of Euroclear Sweden relating to the Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes. Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law, the Euroclear Sweden Holder of any Note shall be deemed to be and may be treated as its absolute owner for all purposes, whether or not it is overdue and regardless of any notice of ownership, trust or an interest in it and no person shall be liable for so treating the Euroclear Sweden Holder.

One or more Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes may be transferred in accordance with the Euroclear Sweden Rules. In the case of an exercise of option resulting in Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes of the same holding having different terms, separate notes registered with the Euroclear Sweden Register shall be issued in respect of those Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes of that holding having the same terms. Such Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes shall only be issued against surrender of the existing Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes in accordance with the Euroclear Sweden Rules. Each new Note to be issued pursuant to the above, shall be available for delivery within three business days of receipt of the request and the surrender of the Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes for exchange. Delivery of the new Euroclear Sweden Registered Note(s) shall be made to the same Euroclear Sweden account on which the original Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes were registered. In this General Note Condition 4(d), "**business day**" means a day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, on which Euroclear Sweden is open for business.

Exchange and transfer of Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes on registration, transfer, partial redemption or exercise of an option shall be effected without charge by or on behalf of the Issuer or the Swedish Paying Agent, but upon payment of any tax or other governmental charges that may be imposed in relation to it (or the giving of such indemnity as the Swedish Paying Agent may require). No Euroclear Sweden Holder may require the transfer of a Euroclear Sweden Registered Note to be registered during any closed period pursuant to the then applicable Euroclear Sweden Rules.

- (e) *Title to the VPS Registered Notes:* Title to the VPS Registered Notes shall pass by registration in the register (the "**VPS Register**") maintained by the Norwegian Paying Agent on behalf of the Issuer in accordance with the VPS Rules. The Issuer shall be entitled to obtain information from VPS in accordance with the VPS Rules, and the holders of VPS Registered Notes accept and consent to the Issuer being entitled to obtain from the VPS, extracts from the book-entry registers of the VPS relating to the VPS Registered Notes. Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law, the VPS Holder of any Note shall be deemed to be and may be treated as its absolute owner for all purposes, whether or not it is overdue and regardless of any notice of ownership, trust or an interest in it and no person shall be liable for so treating the VPS Holder.

One or more VPS Registered Notes may be transferred in accordance with the VPS Rules. In the case of an exercise of option resulting in VPS Registered Notes of the same holding having different terms, separate notes registered with the VPS Register shall be issued in respect of those VPS Registered Notes of that holding having the same terms. Such VPS Registered Notes shall only be issued against surrender of the existing VPS Registered Notes in accordance with the VPS Rules. Each new Note to be issued pursuant to the above, shall be available for delivery within three business days of receipt of the request and the surrender of the VPS Registered Notes for exchange. Delivery of the new VPS Registered Note(s) shall be made to the same VPS account on which the original VPS Registered Notes were registered. In this General Note Condition 4(e), "**business day**" means a day, other than a Saturday or Sunday, on which VPS is open for business.

Exchange and transfer of VPS Registered Notes on registration, transfer, partial redemption or exercise of an option shall be effected without charge by or on behalf of the Issuer or the Norwegian Paying Agent, but upon payment of any tax or other governmental charges that may be imposed in relation to it (or the giving of such indemnity as the Norwegian Paying Agent may require). No VPS Holder may require the transfer of a VPS Registered Note to be registered during any closed period pursuant to the then applicable VPS Rules.

- (f) *Ownership:* The Holder of any Note shall (except as otherwise required by law) be treated as its absolute owner for all purposes (whether or not it is overdue and regardless of any notice of ownership, trust or any other interest therein, any writing thereon or, in the case of Registered Notes, on the Note Certificate relating thereto (other than the endorsed form of transfer) or any notice of any previous loss or theft thereof) and no Person shall be liable for so treating such holder.
- (g) *Disclaimer as to Clearing Systems and their agents and operators:* Any description in these General Note Conditions as to payments being made or any other actions or duties being

undertaken by any Clearing System (or its agents or operators) is based solely on the Issuer's understanding of the relevant rules and/or operations of such Clearing System (and its agents and operators). Neither the Issuer nor (if applicable) the Guarantor makes any representation or warranty that such information is accurate or, in any event, that the relevant Clearing System (or its agents or operators) will make such payments or undertake such actions or duties in accordance with such description. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything else herein, none of the Issuer, the Guarantor or the Agents has any responsibility for the performance by any Clearing System (or its agents or operators) of their respective payment, delivery, Holder identification, or other obligations in respect of the Notes as described herein and/or under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

5. **Transfers of Registered Notes**

- (a) *Transfers*: Subject to General Note Condition 5(d) (*Closed periods*) and General Note Condition 5(e) (*Regulations concerning transfers and registration*) below, a Registered Note represented by a Note Certificate may be transferred upon surrender of the relevant Note Certificate, with the endorsed form of transfer duly completed, at the Specified Office of the Registrar, together with such evidence as the Registrar may reasonably require to prove the title of the transferor and the authority of the individuals who have executed the form of transfer; provided, however, that a Registered Note may not be transferred unless the principal amount of Registered Notes transferred and (where not all of the Registered Notes held by a Holder are being transferred) the principal amount of the balance of Registered Notes not transferred are Specified Denominations. Where not all the Registered Notes represented by the surrendered Note Certificate are the subject of the transfer, a new Note Certificate in respect of the balance of the Registered Notes will be issued to the transferor.
- (b) *Registration and delivery of Note Certificates*: Within five business days of the surrender of a Note Certificate in accordance with General Note Condition 5(a) (*Transfers*) above, the Registrar will register the transfer in question and deliver a new Note Certificate of a like principal amount to the Registered Notes transferred to each relevant Holder at its Specified Office or (at the request and risk of any such relevant Holder) by uninsured first class mail (airmail if overseas) to the address specified for the purpose by such relevant Holder. In this paragraph, "**business day**" means a day on which commercial banks are open for general business (including dealings in foreign currencies) in the city where the Registrar has its Specified Office.
- (c) *No charge*: The transfer of a Registered Note represented by a Note Certificate will be effected without charge by or on behalf of the Issuer or the Registrar but against such indemnity as the Registrar may require in respect of any tax or other duty of whatsoever nature which may be levied or imposed in connection with such transfer.
- (d) *Closed periods*: Noteholders may not require transfers of Notes represented by a Note Certificate to be registered during the period of 15 days ending on the due date for any payment of principal or interest in respect of the Registered Notes.
- (e) *Regulations concerning transfers and registration*: All transfers of Registered Notes represented by a Note Certificate and entries on the Register are subject to the detailed regulations concerning the transfer of Registered Notes scheduled to the Agency Agreement. The regulations may be changed by the Issuer with the prior written approval of the Registrar. A copy of the current regulations will be mailed (free of charge) by the Registrar to any Noteholder who requests in writing a copy of such regulations.
- (f) *Minimum Trading Number*: Any principal amount of Notes may be transferred in a transaction in the Notes unless (i) the Notes are listed on a stock exchange and the rules of that stock exchange govern the principal amount of Notes which may be transferred in a transaction in the Notes, in which case the applicable rules of that stock exchange as amended from time to time must be complied with, or (ii) the relevant Final Terms specifies a "**Minimum Trading Number**", in which case the smallest principal amount of Notes that may be transferred in a transaction in the Notes shall be the Minimum Trading Number (and, if a "**Permitted Trading Multiple**" is also specified in the relevant Final Terms, the smallest principal amount of Notes that may be transferred in a transaction in the Notes shall be the Minimum Trading Number,



or, if more than the Minimum Trading Number of Notes is to be transferred in a transaction in the Notes, the Notes must be transferred in a number equal to the sum of the Minimum Trading Number plus an integral multiple of the Permitted Trading Multiple), or such other Minimum Trading Number or other Permitted Trading Multiple as the Issuer may from time to time notify the Holders in accordance with General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*).

6. **Status and Guaranty**

(a) *Status of the Notes*

The Notes constitute direct, unsubordinated, unconditional and unsecured obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* among themselves.

(b) *Guaranty*

The payment and delivery obligations of the Issuers in respect of the Notes are guaranteed by GSG pursuant to the Guaranty (in the case of all Notes), as set out in General Note Condition 1(e) (*Guaranty*).

***GSG is only obliged to pay the Physical Settlement Disruption Amount instead of delivery of the Deliverable Assets if the Issuer has failed to deliver the Physical Settlement Amount.***

7. **Fixed Rate Note Conditions**

(a) *Application*: This General Note Condition 7 is applicable to the Notes only if the relevant Final Terms specify "**Fixed Rate Note Conditions**" to be applicable.

(b) *Accrual of interest*: The Notes bear interest from the Interest Commencement Date at the Rate of Interest payable in arrear on each Interest Payment Date, subject as provided in General Note Condition 11 (*Payments - Registered Notes*). Each Note will cease to bear interest from the due date for final redemption unless, upon due presentation, payment of the Redemption Amount is improperly withheld or refused, in which case such Note will continue to bear interest in accordance with this General Note Condition 7 (as well after as before judgment) until whichever is the earlier of (i) the day on which all sums due in respect of such Note up to that day are received by or on behalf of the relevant Noteholder and (ii) the day which is seven days after the Fiscal Agent has notified the Noteholders that it has received all sums due in respect of the Notes up to such seventh day (except to the extent that there is any subsequent default in payment).

(c) *Fixed Coupon Amount*: Where a Fixed Coupon Amount is specified in the relevant Final Terms, the Interest Amount payable on an Interest Payment Date in respect of each nominal amount of each Note equal to the Calculation Amount for any Interest Period ending on such Interest Payment Date shall be the Fixed Coupon Amount, provided that if a Broken Amount is specified in the relevant Final Terms in respect of an Interest Payment Date, the Interest Amount payable on such Interest Payment Date in respect of each nominal amount of each Note equal to the Calculation Amount shall be the Broken Amount.

(d) *Calculation of Interest Amount*: If the relevant Final Terms specify "Fixed Coupon Amount" to be not applicable, the Interest Amount payable on an Interest Payment Date in respect of each nominal amount of each Note equal to the Calculation Amount for any Interest Period ending on (but excluding) such Interest Payment Date or for a period other than an Interest Period shall be calculated by multiplying the Rate of Interest by the Calculation Amount, and further multiplying the product by the relevant Day Count Fraction applicable to the Interest Period ending on (but excluding) such Interest Payment Date or such other period, and rounding the resulting figure in accordance with General Note Condition 22 (*Rounding*).

(e) *Step Up Fixed Rate Note Conditions*: This General Note Condition 7(e) is applicable to Notes only if the relevant Final Terms specify "**Step Up Fixed Rate Note Conditions**" to be applicable. The Rate of Interest in respect of:

- (i) the Interest Period commencing on (and including) the Interest Commencement Date will be the amount set forth in the Interest Rate Table in the column entitled "Rate of

Interest" appearing in the same row in the Interest Rate Table in which the Interest Commencement Date appears; and

- (ii) each Interest Period commencing on (and including) the Interest Payment Date scheduled to fall on each Interest Period Start Date (other than the Interest Commencement Date) will be the amount set forth in the Interest Rate Table in the column entitled "Rate of Interest" appearing in the same row in the Interest Rate Table in which such Interest Period Start Date appears.

The Interest Amount payable in respect of each nominal amount of each Note equal to the Calculation Amount on each Interest Payment Date shall be calculated in accordance with General Note Condition 7(d) (*Calculation of Interest Amount*), where the Day Count Fraction shall be applied to the Interest Period ending on (but excluding) such Interest Payment Date.

#### 8. **Floating Rate Note Conditions**

- (a) *Application:* This General Note Condition 8 is applicable to the Notes only if the relevant Final Terms specify "**Floating Rate Note Conditions**" to be applicable. The Rate of Interest in respect of the Notes will be determined in accordance with either Screen Rate Determination or ISDA Determination as is specified in the applicable Final Terms to be the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined.
- (b) *Accrual of interest:* The Notes bear interest from the Interest Commencement Date at the Rate of Interest payable in arrear on each Interest Payment Date, subject as provided in General Note Condition 11 (*Payments – Registered Notes*). Each Note will cease to bear interest from the due date for final redemption unless, upon due presentation, payment of the Redemption Amount is improperly withheld or refused, in which case it will continue to bear interest in accordance with this General Note Condition 8 (as well after as before judgment) until whichever is the earlier of (i) the day on which all sums due in respect of such Note up to that day are received by or on behalf of the relevant Noteholder and (ii) the day which is seven days after the Fiscal Agent has notified the Noteholders that it has received all sums due in respect of the Notes up to such seventh day (except to the extent that there is any subsequent default in payment).
- (c) *Screen Rate Determination:* If the relevant Final Terms specify "**Screen Rate Determination**" to be applicable, the Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes for each Interest Period will be determined by the Calculation Agent to be a rate equal to the Reference Rate, and where a "**Margin**" is specified in the relevant Final Terms for such Interest Period, plus or minus such Margin, and where a "**Participation Rate**" is specified in the relevant Final Terms for such Interest Period, multiplying the resulting amount by such Participation Rate. The Reference Rate will be determined on the following basis:
  - (i) the Calculation Agent will determine the Reference Rate which appears on the Relevant Screen Page as of the Relevant Time on the relevant Interest Determination Date;
  - (ii) if such rate does not appear on at least one of the Relevant Screen Pages at the Relevant Time on the Interest Determination Date, the Calculation Agent will:
    - (A) request the principal Relevant Financial Centre office of each of the Reference Banks to provide a quotation of the Reference Rate at approximately the Relevant Time on the Interest Determination Date to prime banks in the Relevant Financial Centre interbank market in an amount that is representative for a single transaction in that market at that time; and
    - (B) determine the arithmetic mean of such quotations; and
  - (iii) if fewer than two such quotations are provided as requested, the Calculation Agent will determine the arithmetic mean of the rates (being the nearest to the Reference Rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent) quoted by major banks in the Principal Financial Centre of the Specified Currency, selected by the Calculation Agent, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (local time in the Principal Financial Centre of the Specified Currency) (or

such other Specified Time) on the first day of the relevant Interest Period for loans in the Specified Currency to leading European banks for a period equal to the relevant Interest Period and in an amount that is representative for a single transaction in that market at that time.

If the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate or (as the case may be) an arithmetic mean in accordance with the above provisions in relation to any Interest Period, the Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes during such Interest Period shall be determined by the Calculation Agent in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner having regard to comparable benchmarks then available.

- (d) *ISDA Determination*: If the relevant Final Terms specify "**ISDA Determination**" to be applicable, the Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes for each Interest Period will be determined by the Calculation Agent as a rate equal to the ISDA Rate, and where a "**Margin**" is specified in the relevant Final Terms for such Interest Period, plus or minus such Margin, and where a "**Participation Rate**" is specified in the relevant Final Terms for such Interest Period, multiplying the resulting amount by such Participation Rate. The "**ISDA Rate**" in relation to any Interest Period means a rate equal to the Floating Rate (as defined in the 2006 ISDA Definitions) that would be determined by the Calculation Agent under an interest rate swap transaction if the Calculation Agent were acting as Calculation Agent for that interest rate swap transaction under the terms of an agreement incorporating the 2006 ISDA Definitions and under which:
- (i) the Floating Rate Option (as defined in the 2006 ISDA Definitions) is as specified in the relevant Final Terms;
  - (ii) the Designated Maturity (as defined in the 2006 ISDA Definitions) is a period specified in the relevant Final Terms; and
  - (iii) the relevant Reset Date (as defined in the 2006 ISDA Definitions) is either (A) if the relevant Floating Rate Option is based on the London inter-bank offered rate (LIBOR) for a currency, the first day of that Interest Period or (B) in any other case, as specified in the relevant Final Terms,

provided that if the Calculation Agent determines that such ISDA Rate cannot be determined in accordance with the ISDA Definitions read with the above provisions, the ISDA Rate for an Interest Period shall be such rate as is determined by the Calculation Agent in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner having regard to comparable benchmarks then available. For the purposes of this General Note Condition, "**Floating Rate**", "**Floating Rate Option**", "**Designated Maturity**", "**Reset Date**" and "**Swap Transaction**" have the meanings given to those terms in the 2006 ISDA Definitions.

- (e) *Maximum or Minimum Rate of Interest*: If: (i) any Maximum Rate of Interest or Minimum Rate of Interest is specified in the relevant Final Terms for an Interest Period, then the Rate of Interest shall not be greater than such Maximum Rate of Interest, or (ii) any Minimum Rate of Interest is specified in the relevant Final Terms for an Interest Period, then the Rate of Interest shall not be less than such Minimum Rate of Interest so specified, or (iii) a Maximum Rate of Interest and a Minimum Rate of Interest is specified in the relevant Final Terms for an Interest Period, then the Rate of Interest shall not be less than the Minimum Rate of Interest and shall not be greater than the Maximum Rate of Interest for such Interest Period.
- (f) *Capped Floored Floating Rate Note Conditions*: This General Note Condition 8(f) is applicable to Notes only if the relevant Final Terms specify "**Capped Floored Floating Rate Note Conditions**" to be applicable.
- (i) If the relevant Final Terms specifies a Minimum Rate of Interest for an Interest Period commencing on or after the Interest Commencement Date, in respect of the Interest Payment Date scheduled to fall on each Interest Period Start Date, if the Rate of Interest in respect of such Interest Period determined in accordance with General Note Condition 8(c) or General Note Condition 8(d) is less than such Minimum Rate of Interest, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be such Minimum Rate of

Interest corresponding to such Interest Period Start Date. If Minimum Rate of Interest is specified to be not applicable, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period will not be subject to any minimum amount.

- (ii) If the relevant Final Terms specifies a Maximum Rate of Interest for an Interest Period commencing on or after the Interest Commencement Date, in respect of the Interest Payment Date scheduled to fall on each Interest Period Start Date, if the Rate of Interest in respect of such Interest Period determined in accordance with General Note Condition 8(c) or General Note Condition 8(d) is greater than such Maximum Rate of Interest, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be such Maximum Rate of Interest corresponding to such Interest Period Start Date. If Maximum Rate of Interest is specified to be not applicable, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period will not be subject to any maximum amount.
- (g) *Substitute or Successor Rate of Interest:* If the relevant Final Terms specify "**Substitute or Successor Rate of Interest**" to be applicable, and the Calculation Agent determines that an Original Primary Rate has been discontinued or has otherwise ceased to exist, the Calculation Agent shall, in its sole and absolute discretion, select a substitute or successor rate of interest that the Calculation Agent determines is comparable to the Original Primary Rate to replace the Original Primary Rate, and shall replace the Original Primary Rate by such substitute or successor rate of interest with effect from such date as determined by the Calculation Agent, and such substitute or successor rate of interest will be deemed to be the Original Primary Rate with effect from such date. The Calculation Agent may make such adjustments that it determines to be appropriate, if any, to any one or more of the terms of the Notes, including without limitation, any variable or term relevant to the settlement or payment under the Notes, as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for such replacement.
- (h) *Calculation of Interest Amount:* The Calculation Agent will, as soon as practicable after the time at which the Rate of Interest is to be determined in relation to each Interest Period, calculate the Interest Amount payable on an Interest Payment Date in respect of each nominal amount of each Note equal to the Calculation Amount for such Interest Period. The Interest Amount will be calculated by multiplying the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period by the Calculation Amount, and further multiplying the product by the relevant Day Count Fraction applicable to the Interest Period ending on (but excluding) such Interest Payment Date, and rounding the resulting figure in accordance with General Note Condition 22 (*Rounding*).
- (i) *Calculation of other amounts:* In respect of any other amount referred to in the Conditions which is to be calculated by the Calculation Agent, the Calculation Agent will, as soon as practicable after the time or times at which any such amount is to be determined, calculate the relevant amount in accordance with the Conditions.
- (j) *Publication:* The Calculation Agent will cause each Rate of Interest and Interest Amount determined by it, together with the relevant Interest Payment Date, and any other amount(s) required to be determined by it together with any relevant payment date(s) to be notified to the Paying Agents and, if required by each competent authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system (if any) to which the Notes have then been admitted to listing, trading and/or quotation, to such competent authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system (if any) as soon as practicable after such determination but (in the case of each Rate of Interest, Interest Amount and Interest Payment Date) in any event not later than the first day of the relevant Interest Period. Notice thereof shall also promptly be given to the Noteholders. The Calculation Agent will be entitled to recalculate any Interest Amount (on the basis of the foregoing provisions) without notice in the event of an extension or shortening of the relevant Interest Period. If the Calculation Amount is less than the minimum Specified Denomination the Calculation Agent shall not be obliged to publish each Interest Amount but instead may publish only the Calculation Amount and the Interest Amount in respect of a Note having the minimum Specified Denomination.
- (k) *Notifications etc:* All notifications, opinions, determinations, certificates, calculations, quotations and decisions given, expressed, made or obtained for the purposes of this General Note Condition 8 by the Calculation Agent will (in the absence of manifest error) be binding on the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Paying Agents and the Noteholders and (subject as aforesaid)

no liability to any such Person will attach to the Calculation Agent in connection with the exercise or non-exercise by it of its powers, duties and discretions for such purposes.

9. **Change of Interest Basis**

If the relevant Final Terms specify "**Change of Interest Basis**" to be applicable, the Rate of Interest applicable to an Interest Period shall be determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the Interest Basis applicable to such Interest Period, which will be in respect of:

- (a) the Interest Period commencing on (and including) the Interest Commencement Date, the Interest Basis set forth in the Interest Rate Table in the column entitled "Interest Basis" appearing in the same row in the Interest Rate Table in which the Interest Commencement Date appears; and
- (b) each Interest Period commencing on (and including) the Interest Payment Date scheduled to fall on each Interest Period Start Date (other than the Interest Commencement Date) set forth in the Interest Rate Table, the Interest Basis set forth in the Interest Rate Table in the column entitled "Interest Basis" appearing in the same row in the Interest Rate Table in which such Interest Period Start Date appears.

Where the Interest Basis applicable to an Interest Period is: (i) "Fixed Rate", the Rate of Interest shall be determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with General Note Condition 7 (*Fixed Rate Note Conditions*) or (ii) "Floating Rate", the Rate of Interest shall be determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with General Note Condition 8 (*Floating Rate Note Conditions*).

10. **Redemption and Purchase**

- (a) *Scheduled redemption*: Unless previously redeemed, or purchased and cancelled, the Notes will be redeemed at their Final Redemption Amount or if so specified in the relevant Final Terms, at their Physical Settlement Amount, on the Maturity Date, subject as provided in General Note Condition 11 (*Payments – Registered Notes*).
- (b) *Redemption at the option of the Issuer*: If the relevant Final Terms specify "Redemption at the option of the Issuer" to be applicable, all of the Notes may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer (such option, the "**Call Option**") on any Optional Redemption Date (Call) by the Issuer giving notice to the Noteholders on or before the Call Option Notice Date corresponding to such Optional Redemption Date (Call). The notice shall be irrevocable and shall oblige the Issuer to redeem the Notes on the relevant Optional Redemption Date (Call) by payment of the Optional Redemption Amount (Call) in respect of each nominal amount of each Note equal to the Calculation Amount and where the relevant Final Terms specify "Accrued interest payable", plus accrued interest (if any) to such date, as calculated by the Calculation Agent. In the case of Notes held or cleared through Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, such notice shall not be less than five Business Days (or such other period of time as may be provided by any applicable rules of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg) and in the case of Notes not held or cleared through Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, such notice shall be given in accordance with any applicable rules of the relevant Clearing System.
- (c) *Redemption at the option of Noteholders*: Subject to General Note Conditions 10(d) (*Exercise of Put Option – Notes represented by Individual Note Certificates*), 10(e) (*Exercise of Put Option – Global Registered Notes*), 10(f) (*Euroclear Finland Registered Notes*), 10(g) (*Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes*) and 10(h) (*VPS Registered Notes*) below, if the relevant Final Terms specify "Redemption at the option of Noteholders" to be applicable, the Issuer shall, at the option of the holder of any Note (such option, the "**Put Option**") redeem each nominal amount of such Note equal to the Calculation Amount on the Optional Redemption Date (Put) by payment of the Optional Redemption Amount (Put) in respect of each nominal amount of each Note equal to the Calculation Amount on the Optional Redemption Date (Put), and where the relevant Final Terms specify "Accrued interest payable", plus accrued interest (if any) to such date, as calculated by the Calculation Agent.

- (d) *Exercise of Put Option – Notes represented by Individual Note Certificates:* The holder of a Note represented by an Individual Note Certificate shall exercise the Put Option by depositing a duly completed Put Option Notice and the Individual Note Certificate representing such Note with any Paying Agent within the Put Option Notice Period. The Paying Agent with which a Note is so deposited shall deliver a duly completed Put Option Receipt to the depositing Noteholder. Any such Put Option Notice will be irrevocable and may not be withdrawn and no Note, once deposited with a duly completed Put Option Notice in accordance with this General Note Condition 10(d), may be withdrawn; provided that if, prior to the relevant Optional Redemption Date (Put), any such Note becomes immediately due and payable or, upon due presentation of any such Note on the relevant Optional Redemption Date (Put), payment of the redemption moneys is improperly withheld or refused, the relevant Paying Agent shall mail notification thereof to the depositing Noteholder at such address as may have been given by such Noteholder in the relevant Put Option Notice and shall hold such Note at its Specified Office for collection by the depositing Noteholder against surrender of the relevant Put Option Receipt. For so long as any outstanding Note is held by a Paying Agent in accordance with this General Note Condition 10(d), the depositor of such Note and not such Paying Agent shall be deemed to be the holder of such Note for all purposes.
- (e) *Exercise of Put Option – Global Registered Notes:* The holder of a Note represented by a Global Registered Note shall exercise the Put Option by delivering the Put Option Notice for receipt by the Calculation Agent, the Fiscal Agent and the relevant Clearing System at not later than 10.00 a.m., Brussels or Luxembourg time, as the case may be (or such other Specified Time) on any Business Day within the Put Option Notice Period. Any such Put Option Notice will be irrevocable and may not be withdrawn, and in the case of Notes held or cleared through Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, such Put Option Notice shall not be less than five Business Days (or such other period of time as may be provided by any applicable rules of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg) and in the case of Global Registered Notes not held or cleared through Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, such Put Option Notice shall be given in accordance with any applicable rules of the relevant Clearing System.
- (f) *Euroclear Finland Registered Notes:* Any Put Option Notice from the holder of any Euroclear Finland Registered Note will not take effect against the Issuer before the date on which the relevant Euroclear Finland Registered Notes have been transferred to the account designated by the Finnish Paying Agent and blocked for further transfer by the Finnish Paying Agent.
- (g) *Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes:* Any Put Option Notice from the holder of any Euroclear Sweden Registered Note will not take effect against the Issuer before the date on which the relevant Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes have been transferred to the account designated by the Swedish Paying Agent and blocked for further transfer by the Swedish Paying Agent.
- (h) *VPS Registered Notes:* To exercise the Put Option or any other VPS Holders' option that may be set out in the relevant Final Terms (which must be exercised in accordance with the relevant Final Terms) the VPS Holder must register in the relevant VPS account a transfer restriction in favour of the Norwegian Paying Agent and deliver to the Norwegian Paying Agent a duly completed Norwegian Put Option Notice in the form obtainable from the Norwegian Paying Agent which the Issuer will provide to the Norwegian Paying Agent on request within the notice period. A Norwegian Put Option Notice will not take effect against the Issuer before the date on which the relevant VPS Registered Notes have been transferred to the account designated by the Norwegian Paying Agent or blocked for further transfer by the Norwegian Paying Agent. No VPS Registered Notes so transferred or blocked and option exercised may be withdrawn (except as provided in the Agency Agreement) without the prior consent of the Issuer.
- (i) *Automatic Early Redemption:* If the relevant Final Terms specify "**Automatic Early Redemption**" to be applicable, and if the Calculation Agent determines that an Automatic Early Redemption Event has occurred in respect of an Applicable Date, then the Notes will be redeemed on the Automatic Early Redemption Date corresponding to such Applicable Date by payment of the Automatic Early Redemption Amount in respect of each nominal amount of each Note equal to the Calculation Amount.

- (j) *No other redemption:* The Issuer shall not be entitled to redeem the Notes otherwise than as provided in General Note Condition 10(a) (*Scheduled redemption*) to General Note Condition 10(i) (*Automatic Early Redemption*) (inclusive) above, in General Note Condition 17 (*Change of applicable law*) below, any Underlying Asset Conditions applicable to the Notes and the applicable Note Payout Conditions or EIS Note Payout Conditions.
- (k) *Redemption of Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes and VPS Registered Notes:* In relation to Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes and VPS Registered Notes, any redemption shall be in accordance with the Euroclear Finland Rules, Euroclear Sweden Rules and VPS Rules, respectively.
- (l) *Purchase:* The Issuer, the Guarantor or any of their respective Subsidiaries may at any time purchase Notes in the open market or otherwise and at any price. Any Notes so purchased may be held, surrendered for cancellation or reissued or resold, and Notes so reissued or resold shall for all purposes be deemed to form part of the original Series of Notes.
- (m) *Adjustments:* Any adjustments to the Redemption Amount payable or deliverable upon redemption of Share Linked Notes, Index Linked Notes, Commodity Linked Notes, FX Linked Notes or Inflation Linked Notes will be made in accordance with the Share Linked Conditions, the Index Linked Conditions, the Commodity Linked Conditions, the FX Linked Conditions or the Inflation Linked Conditions, respectively.

## 11. **Payments - Registered Notes**

This General Note Condition 11 is only applicable to Registered Notes.

- (a) *Principal:* In respect of any Registered Notes in definitive form, payments of principal shall be made by cheque drawn in the currency in which the payment is due drawn on, or, upon application by a Holder of a Registered Note to the Specified Office of the Fiscal Agent not later than the fifteenth day before the due date for any such payment, by transfer to an account denominated in that currency (or, if that currency is euro, any other account to which euro may be credited or transferred) and maintained by the payee with, a bank in the Principal Financial Centre of that currency (in the case of a sterling cheque, a town clearing branch of a bank in the City of London) and (in the case of redemption) upon surrender (or, in the case of part payment only, endorsement) of the relevant Note Certificates at the Specified Office of any Paying Agent.
- (b) *Interest:* In respect of any Registered Notes in definitive form, payments of interest shall be made by cheque drawn in the currency in which the payment is due drawn on, or, upon application by a Holder of a Registered Note to the Specified Office of the Fiscal Agent not later than the fifteenth day before the due date for any such payment, by transfer to an account denominated in that currency (or, if that currency is euro, any other account to which euro may be credited or transferred) and maintained by the payee with, a bank in the Principal Financial Centre of that currency (in the case of a sterling cheque, a town clearing branch of a bank in the City of London) and (in the case of interest payable on redemption) upon surrender (or, in the case of part payment only, endorsement) of the relevant Note Certificates at the Specified Office of any Paying Agent.
- (c) *Payments in respect of Global Registered Notes:* All payments in respect of a Global Registered Note will be made to the person shown on the Register and, if no further payment falls to be made in respect of the Global Registered Notes, surrender of that Global Registered Note to or to the order of the Registrar. On each occasion on which a payment of principal or interest is made in respect of the Global Registered Note, the Issuer shall procure that the payment is noted in a schedule thereto. For Global Registered Notes, the "**Record Date**" shall be the close of business (in the relevant Clearing System) on the business day or, if specified in the relevant Final Terms, such other Specified Day(s) before the due date for payment.
- (d) *Payments of Interest and Principal in accordance with the Euroclear Finland Rules:* Payments of principal and/or interest in respect of the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes shall be made to the Euroclear Finland Holders on the basis of information recorded in the relevant Euroclear Finland Holder's book-entry securities account on the first Business Day or, if specified in the

relevant Final Terms, such other Specified Day(s) before the due date for such payment and such day shall be the "**Record Date**" in respect of the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes in accordance with the Euroclear Finland Rules. Euroclear Finland Holders will not be entitled to any interest or other compensation for any delay after the due date in receiving the amount due as a result of the due date for payment not being a Business Day.

In respect of each Series of Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, the Issuer shall at all times maintain a Registrar which shall be the duly authorised Finnish central securities depository under the Finnish Act on the Book-Entry System and Clearing Operations and a Finnish Paying Agent duly authorised as an account operator (in Finnish: *tilinhoitajayhteisö*) under the Finnish Act on the Book-Entry System and Clearing Operations.

If Registered Notes (other than Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes or VPS Registered Notes) are issued, a register will be maintained in accordance with the Agency Agreement.

- (e) *Payments in respect of Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes; Swedish Paying Agent:* Payments of principal and/or interest in respect of the Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes shall be made to the Euroclear Sweden Holders registered as such on the fifth business day (as defined by the then applicable Euroclear Sweden Rules) before the due date for such payment, or such other business day falling closer to the due date as then may be stipulated in the Euroclear Sweden Rules and will be made in accordance with the Euroclear Sweden Rules and such day shall be the "**Record Date**" in respect of the Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes in accordance with the Euroclear Sweden Rules.
- (f) *Payments in respect of VPS Registered Notes; Norwegian Paying Agent:* Payments of principal and/or interest in respect of the VPS Registered Notes shall be made to the VPS Holders registered as such on the fourteenth calendar day before the due date for such payment, or such other business day falling closer to the due date as then may be stipulated in the VPS Rules and will be made in accordance with the VPS Rules. Such day shall be the "**Record Date**" in respect of the VPS Registered Notes in accordance with the VPS Rules.
- (g) *Record Date:* Each payment in respect of a Registered Note in definitive form will be made to the person shown as the Holder in the Register at the opening of business in the place of the Registrar's Specified Office on the fifteenth day or, if specified in the relevant Final Terms, such other Specified Day(s) before the due date for such payment (the "**Record Date**" in respect of Registered Notes in definitive form). Where payment in respect of a Registered Note is to be made by cheque, the cheque will be mailed to the address shown as the address of the Holder in the Register at the opening of business on the relevant Record Date. For Global Registered Notes, the "**Record Date**" shall be the close of business (in the relevant Clearing System) on the Clearing System Business Day or, if specified in the relevant Final Terms, such other Specified Day(s) before the due date for payment where "**Clearing System Business Day**" means a day on which the relevant Clearing System is open for business.
- (h) *Payments subject to fiscal laws:* All payments in respect of the Registered Notes are subject in all cases to any applicable fiscal or other laws and regulations in the place of payment, but without prejudice to the provisions of General Note Condition 25 (*Taxation*). No commissions or expenses shall be charged to the Noteholders in respect of such payments.
- (i) *Payments on Business Days:* In respect of any Registered Notes in definitive form, where payment is to be made by transfer to an account, payment instructions (for value the due date, or, if the due date is not a Payment Business Day, for value the next succeeding Payment Business Day) will be initiated and, where payment is to be made by cheque, the cheque will be mailed (i) (in the case of payments of principal and interest payable on redemption) on the later of the due date for payment and the day on which the relevant Note Certificate is surrendered (or, in the case of part payment only, endorsed) at the Specified Office of a Paying Agent and (ii) (in the case of payments of interest payable other than on redemption) on the due date for payment. If the due date for payment of any amount in respect of any Global Registered Note is not a Payment Business Day, the Holder shall not be entitled to payment in such place of the amount due until the next succeeding Payment Business Day and shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of any such delay. A Holder of a Registered



Note shall not be entitled to any interest or other payment in respect of any delay in payment resulting from (A) the due date for a payment not being a Payment Business Day or (B) a cheque mailed in accordance with this General Note Condition 11 arriving after the due date for payment or being lost in the mail.

- (j) *Partial payments:* If a Paying Agent makes a partial payment in respect of any Registered Note in definitive form, the Issuer shall procure that the amount and date of such payment are noted on the Register and, in the case of partial payment upon presentation of a Note Certificate, that a statement indicating the amount and the date of such payment is endorsed on the relevant Note Certificate.

## 12. **Physical Settlement**

- (a) *Physical Settlement:* If the relevant Final Terms specify General Note Condition 12(a) or "**Physical Settlement**" to be applicable, in order to obtain the Deliverable Assets in respect of each Note ("**Physical Settlement**"), the relevant Holder must deliver, not later than the close of business in each place of receipt on the Physical Settlement Cut-off Date to: (i) the Paying Agent and the Registrar and (ii) if such Note is represented by a Global Registered Note, Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, a duly completed Asset Transfer Notice, provided that the relevant Holder shall be liable for all Taxes and stamp duties, transaction costs, and any other costs incurred by the Issuer and any of its affiliates in the delivery of the Deliverable Assets to such Holder (such sums, the "**Delivery Expenses**"), and delivery of the Deliverable Assets shall take place only after the Delivery Expenses (if any) have been paid by such Holder to or to the order of the Issuer. No Note shall confer on a Holder any right to acquire the Deliverable Assets and the Issuer is not obliged to purchase or hold the Deliverable Assets.

If any Holder fails properly to complete and deliver an Asset Transfer Notice which results in such Asset Transfer Notice being treated as null and void, the Issuer may determine, in its sole and absolute discretion whether to waive the requirement to deliver a properly completed Asset Transfer Notice prior to the Physical Settlement Cut-off Date in order for such Holder to receive the Redemption Amount and/or Interest Amount, as the case may be, by obtaining delivery of the Physical Settlement Amount in respect of such Note(s) and shall give notice of such waiver to Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or any other Clearing System, as the case may be, and to each of the Paying Agents and the Calculation Agent.

The delivery of the Physical Settlement Amount shall be made (i) if practicable and in respect of Notes represented by a Global Registered Note, to the relevant Clearing System for the credit of the account of the Noteholder or (ii) in such other commercially reasonable manner as the Issuer shall determine to be appropriate for such delivery and will, where appropriate and if practicable, notify the Noteholders in accordance with General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*).

Subject as provided in this General Note Condition 12, in relation to each Note which is to be redeemed by delivery of a Physical Settlement Amount, the Physical Settlement Amount will be delivered at the risk of the relevant Holder in the manner provided above on the relevant Physical Settlement Date, provided that the Asset Transfer Notice is duly delivered as provided above not later than the Physical Settlement Cut-off Date. The obligation of the Issuer to deliver Shares is limited to the delivery of Shares having the characteristics and in the form that allows delivery via the relevant Clearing System and does not include registration of the Holder in the share register or in the list of shareholders, and none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent or any other Person shall have any liability for any such failure of (or delay in) registration.

Where the Physical Settlement Amount would otherwise comprise, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, fractions of Deliverable Assets, a Holder will receive the Physical Settlement Amount comprising the nearest number (rounded down) of Deliverable Assets capable of being delivered by the Issuer (provided that a Holder's entire holding may not be aggregated at the Issuer's discretion for the purpose of delivering the Physical Settlement Amounts and, if a Fractional Cash Amount is specified in the relevant Final Terms, a Holder will also receive the Fractional Cash Amount (if any) in respect of each nominal amount of

each Note equal to the Calculation Amount capable of being paid by the Issuer (provided that a Holder's entire holding may not be aggregated at the Issuer's discretion for the purpose of paying the Fractional Cash Amounts).

This General Note Condition 12(a) is not applicable to the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes, VPS Registered Notes or the Euroclear France Registered Notes.

- (b) *Holder's Election for Physical Settlement:* If the relevant Final Terms specify General Note Condition 12(b) or "Holder's Election for Physical Settlement" to be applicable, upon the redemption of a Note by a Holder, such Holder may in the Asset Transfer Notice elect not to receive the Final Redemption Amount, but instead, subject to a Physical Settlement Disruption Event, request the Issuer to transfer or procure the transfer of the Deliverable Assets in respect of each Note so redeemed and such Asset Transfer Notice will be irrevocable notice to the Issuer. Neither the Notes nor the Asset Transfer Notice confers any right on the Holder to acquire the Deliverable Assets and the Issuer is not obliged to purchase, hold or deliver the Deliverable Assets until the Holder has paid any Taxes (if applicable).

This General Note Condition 12(b) is not applicable to the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes, VPS Registered Notes or the Euroclear France Registered Notes.

- (c) *Settlement Disruption:* If, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, delivery of the Physical Settlement Amount using the method of delivery specified in General Note Condition 12(a) is not practicable by reason of a Physical Settlement Disruption Event having occurred and being continuing on the Physical Settlement Date, then the Physical Settlement Date shall be postponed to the first following Business Day in respect of which there is no such Physical Settlement Disruption Event, provided that the Issuer may elect in its sole discretion to satisfy its obligations in respect of the relevant Note by delivering or procuring the delivery of the Physical Settlement Amount using such other commercially reasonable manner as it may select and in such event the Physical Settlement Date shall be such day as the Issuer deems appropriate in connection with delivery of the Physical Settlement Amount in such other commercially reasonable manner. For the avoidance of doubt, where a Physical Settlement Disruption Event affects some but not all of the Deliverable Assets comprising the Physical Settlement Amount, the Physical Settlement Date for the Deliverable Assets not affected by the Physical Settlement Disruption Event will be the originally designated Physical Settlement Date. For so long as delivery of the Physical Settlement Amount is not practicable by reason of a Physical Settlement Disruption Event, then in lieu of physical settlement and notwithstanding any other provision hereof the Issuer may elect in its sole and absolute discretion to satisfy its obligations in respect of the relevant Note by payment to the relevant Holder of the Physical Settlement Disruption Amount on the fifth Business Day following the date that notice of such election is given to the Holders in accordance with General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*). Payment of the Physical Settlement Disruption Amount will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders. The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Holders that a Physical Settlement Disruption Event has occurred. No Holder shall be entitled to any payment in respect of the relevant Note in the event of any delay in the delivery of the Physical Settlement Amount due to the occurrence of a Physical Settlement Disruption Event and no liability in respect thereof shall attach to the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Calculation Agent or the Paying Agent.

13. **Consequences of an FX Disruption Event or a CNY FX Disruption Event**

- (a) *Postponement or Payment in USD:* If the Calculation Agent has determined that (1) an FX Disruption Event or a CNY FX Disruption Event, as the case may be, has occurred and is continuing and (2) such FX Disruption Event or CNY FX Disruption Event, as the case may be, is material in relation to the Issuer's payment obligations under the Notes (including, for the avoidance of doubt, in relation to the Issuer's hedge position under the Notes) in respect of any forthcoming Interest Payment Date, Maturity Date or other date on which amounts are payable under the Notes by the Issuer under the Conditions (each such date, an "**Affected Payment Date**"), then:

- (i) if the relevant Final Terms specify that "**FX Disruption Event**" is applicable to the Notes, the Affected Payment Date shall be postponed until the earlier of (A) the Adjusted Affected Payment Date and (B) the Affected Payment Cut-off Date. No amount of interest shall be payable in respect of the delay in payment of an amount due to the adjustment of any Affected Payment Date; or
  - (ii) if the relevant Final Terms specify that "**CNY FX Disruption Event**" is applicable to the Notes, unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms, then the Issuer may, on giving not less than five days' and not more than 30 days' irrevocable notice to Holders prior to the relevant Affected Payment Date, make payment (in whole or in part) of the USD Equivalent Amount of the relevant Interest Amount, Redemption Amount or other amount payable (if applicable) on the relevant Affected Payment Date in full and final settlement of its obligations to pay such Interest Amount, Redemption Amount or other amount in respect of the Notes.
- (b) *Payment of USD Equivalent Amount:* In the event that, pursuant to paragraph (a)(i) above, an Affected Payment Date is adjusted to fall on the Affected Payment Cut-off Date (and the Calculation Agent determines an FX Disruption Event exists or is continuing on the FX Disruption Event Cut-off Date), then the Issuer may, by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*), elect to make payment (in whole or in part) of the USD Equivalent Amount of the relevant Interest Amount, Redemption Amount or other amount payable (if applicable) on the relevant Affected Payment Cut-off Date in full and final settlement of its obligations to pay such Interest Amount, Redemption Amount or other amount in respect of the Notes.
- (c) *Priorities:* If the Calculation Agent determines an FX Disruption Event or a CNY FX Disruption Event, as the case may be, coincides with a Market Disruption Event (as defined in the Share Linked Conditions and the Index Linked Conditions), a Disruption Event (as defined in the Commodity Linked Conditions) or a Physical Settlement Disruption Event, as the case may be, the provisions of this General Note Condition 13 shall take effect only after such postponements or adjustments have been made as a result of such Market Disruption Event, Disruption Event or Physical Settlement Disruption Event in accordance with the Share Linked Conditions, the Index Linked Conditions, the Commodity Linked Conditions or General Note Condition 12(c) (*Settlement Disruption*), as applicable, and, notwithstanding the provisions of the Share Linked Conditions, the Index Linked Conditions, the Commodity Linked Conditions and General Note Condition 12(c) (*Settlement Disruption*), as the case may be, the Issuer's payment obligation of the Redemption Amount shall continue to be postponed or varied in accordance with the provisions of this General Note Condition 13.

#### 14. **Events of Default**

- (a) *Events of Default:* An Event of Default with respect to any issuance of Notes will mean any of the following:
- (i) the Issuer, failing whom, the Guarantor does not pay the principal on any of the Notes on the due date;
  - (ii) the Issuer, failing whom, the Guarantor does not pay interest on any of the Notes when the same is due and payable or does not deliver any Deliverable Asset when the same is due and deliverable and such failure continues for 30 days after notice of such failure has been received by the Issuer from a Holder;
  - (iii) (a) the Issuer becomes insolvent or is unable to pay its debts as they fall due, (b) an administrator or liquidator of the Issuer or the whole or substantially the whole of the undertaking, assets and revenues of the Issuer is appointed (or application for any such appointment is made), (c) the Issuer takes any action for a readjustment or deferment of any of its obligations or makes a general assignment or an arrangement or composition with or for the benefit of its creditors or declares a moratorium in respect of any of its indebtedness (for money borrowed or raised) or any guarantee given by it to pay another person's indebtedness (for money borrowed or raised) or (d) the Issuer ceases or threatens to cease to carry on all or any substantial part of its business (otherwise

- than for the purposes of or pursuant to an amalgamation, reorganisation or restructuring whilst solvent);
- (iv) an order is made or an effective resolution is passed for the winding up, liquidation or dissolution of the Issuer, (otherwise than for the purposes of or pursuant to an amalgamation, reorganisation or restructuring whilst solvent);
  - (v) any event occurs which under the laws of Germany (in the case of Notes issued by GSW) has an analogous effect to any of the events referred to in paragraphs (iii) and (iv) above;
  - (vi) the entry by a court having jurisdiction in the premises of (a) a decree or order for relief in respect of GSG in an involuntary case or proceeding under any applicable U.S. Federal or State bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganisation or other similar law or (b) a decree or order adjudging GSG bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganisation, arrangement, adjustment or composition of or in respect of GSG under any applicable U.S. Federal or State law, or appointing a custodian, receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, sequestrator or other similar official of GSG or of any substantial part of the property of GSG, or ordering the winding-up or liquidation of the affairs of GSG, and any such decree or order for relief or any such other decree or order shall continue unstayed and in effect for a period of 60 consecutive days; or
  - (vii) commencement by GSG of a voluntary case or proceeding under any applicable U.S. Federal or State bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganisation or other similar law or of any other case or proceeding to be adjudicated a bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by GSG to the entry of a decree or order for relief in respect of an involuntary case or proceeding under any applicable U.S. Federal or State bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganisation or other similar law or to the commencement of any bankruptcy or insolvency case or proceeding against GSG, or the filing by GSG of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganisation or relief under any such applicable U.S. Federal or State law, or the consent by GSG to the filing of such petition or to the appointment of or the taking possession by a custodian, receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, sequestrator or other similar official of GSG or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by GSG of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the taking of action by the Issuer in furtherance of any such action.
- (b) *Consequences:* If an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Holder of any Note may, by written notice addressed to the Issuer and delivered to the Issuer or to the Specified Office of the Fiscal Agent, declare its Note to be immediately due and payable and unless all such defaults have been cured by the Issuer or the Guarantor prior to the receipt of such notice, the principal of the Note shall be immediately due and payable together with accrued interest (if any) unless the Redemption Amount or Interest Amount of the Note is linked to or determined by reference to an Underlying Asset, in which case the amount payable upon such acceleration shall be equal to the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount.
- (c) *Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes or VPS Registered Notes:* If an Event of Default with respect to Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes or VPS Registered Notes of any Series at the time outstanding occurs and is continuing, then in every such case, unless the principal of all of the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes or VPS Registered Notes of such Series shall have already become due and payable, the Euroclear Finland Holders, Euroclear Sweden Holders or VPS Holders of at least 25 per cent. in principal amount of the outstanding notes of that Series may declare the principal amount of all of the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes or VPS Registered Notes of that Series to be due and payable immediately (or on such later date on which the relevant Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes or VPS Registered Notes have been transferred to the account designated by the Finnish Paying Agent, Swedish Paying Agent or Norwegian Paying Agent and blocked for further transfer by the Finnish Paying Agent, Swedish Paying Agent or Norwegian Paying Agent) at the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount, by a notice in writing to the Issuer, and upon any such declaration

such Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount, together with the premium, if any, accrued and unpaid interest, if any, and any additional amount in respect of principal which may be payable under General Note Condition 11 (*Payments – Registered Notes*), shall become immediately due and payable.

At any time after such a declaration of acceleration with respect to Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes or VPS Registered Notes of any Series has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained, the Euroclear Finland Holders, Euroclear Sweden Holders or VPS Holders of at least a majority in principal amount of outstanding notes of that Series, by written notice to the Issuer and the Fiscal Agent (or the Finnish Paying Agent, Swedish Paying Agent or Norwegian Paying Agent (as the case may be)), may rescind and annul such declaration and its consequences if the Issuer or, if applicable, the Guarantor, has paid or deposited with the Fiscal Agent (or the Finnish Paying Agent, Swedish Paying Agent or Norwegian Paying Agent (as the case may be)) a sum sufficient to pay in the Specified Currency in which the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes or VPS Registered Notes of such Series are payable:

- (i) all overdue interest, if any, on all Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes or VPS Registered Notes of that Series;
- (ii) the principal of (and premium, if any, on) any Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes or VPS Registered Notes of that Series which have become due otherwise than by such declaration of acceleration and interest thereon at the Rate of Interest, as the case may be, applicable to that Series; and
- (iii) all Events of Default with respect to Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes or VPS Registered Notes of that Series, other than the non-payment of the principal of Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes or VPS Registered Notes of that Series, which have become due solely by such declaration of acceleration, have been cured or waived as provided below. No such rescission shall affect any subsequent default or impair any right consequent thereon.

The Euroclear Finland Holders, Euroclear Sweden Holders or VPS Holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the outstanding notes of any Series may on behalf of the Euroclear Finland Holders, Euroclear Sweden Holders or VPS Holders of all the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes or VPS Registered Notes of such Series waive any past default hereunder with respect to such Series and its consequences, except a default in the payment of the principal of (or premium, if any) or interest, if any, on any Euroclear Finland Registered Note, Euroclear Sweden Registered Note or VPS Registered Note of such Series, or in the payment of any sinking fund instalment or analogous obligation with respect to the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes or VPS Registered Notes, such Series. Upon any such waiver, such default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising therefrom shall be deemed to have been cured, for every purpose of the Agency Agreement and the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes or VPS Registered Notes of such Series, but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other default or impair any right consequent thereon.

#### 15. **Modification and Waiver, Meetings of Noteholders**

- (a) *Agency Agreement:* The Agency Agreement may be amended by the parties thereto without the consent of the Holders if, in the opinion of the Issuer, the amendment will not materially and adversely affect the interests of the Holders.
- (b) *Terms and Conditions:* The Terms and Conditions of the Notes may be amended by the Issuer with the approval of the Calculation Agent but without the consent of the Holders if, in the reasonable opinion of the Issuer and the Calculation Agent, the amendment (i) is of a formal, minor or technical nature, (ii) is made to correct a manifest or proven error or omission, or (iii) will not materially and adversely affect the interests of the Holders.

For the avoidance of doubt, these General Note Conditions 15(a) and 15(b) shall not apply to any adjustments made in accordance with a Underlying Asset Condition. Any amendments in accordance with these General Note Conditions 15(a) and 15(b) shall take effect by notice to the Holders in accordance with General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*).

- (c) *Meetings of Noteholders:* The Agency Agreement contains provisions for convening meetings of Noteholders to consider matters relating to the Notes, including the modification of any provision of the General Note Conditions relating to a Series of Notes with the consent of the Issuer. Only holders of outstanding Notes of the Applicable Series (as defined in the Agency Agreement in respect of Notes) will be eligible to participate in a meeting of Noteholders. Such a meeting shall be convened by the Issuer upon the request in writing of Noteholders holding not less than one-tenth of the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Notes of that Series. The quorum at any meeting convened to vote on a Resolution will be at least two voters holding or representing not less than one more than half of the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Notes of that Series or, at any adjourned meeting, at least two voters holding or representing not less than one quarter of the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Notes. Any Resolution duly passed at any such meeting shall be binding on all the Noteholders of the Notes of the Applicable Series, whether present or not.
- (d) *Written resolution:* A resolution in writing signed or electronically approved using the systems and procedures in place from time to time of a relevant Clearing System by or on behalf of all Noteholders who for the time being are entitled to receive notice of a meeting of Noteholders will take effect as if it were a Resolution passed at a meeting of Noteholders. Such a resolution in writing may be contained in one document or several documents in the same form, each signed by or on behalf of one or more Noteholders or may be in the form of SWIFT or other electronic instructions as permitted by the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing System.

Notices in respect of Euroclear Finland Registered Notes will be in writing and shall be addressed to such Euroclear Finland Holder at its address appearing in the Euroclear Finland Register maintained in accordance with the Euroclear Finland Rules.

Notices in respect of Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes will be in writing and shall be addressed to such Euroclear Sweden Holder at its address appearing in the Euroclear Sweden Register maintained in accordance with the Euroclear Sweden Rules.

Notices in respect of VPS Registered Notes will be in writing and shall be addressed to such VPS Holder at its address appearing in the VPS Register maintained in accordance with the VPS Rules.

## 16. **Replacement of Notes**

If any Note in definitive form is lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed, it may be replaced at the Specified Office of the Registrar (and, if the Notes are then admitted to listing, trading and/or quotation by any competent authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system which requires the appointment of a Paying Agent in any particular place, the Paying Agent having its Specified Office in the place required by such competent authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system), subject to all applicable laws and competent authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system requirements, upon payment by the claimant of the expenses incurred in connection with such replacement and on such terms as to evidence, security, indemnity and otherwise as the Issuer may reasonably require. Mutilated or defaced Notes must be surrendered before replacements will be issued.

## 17. **Change of applicable law**

Upon the Issuer becoming aware of (a) the adoption of, or any change in, any applicable law, rule, regulation, judgment, order or directive of any governmental, administrative, legislative or judicial authority or power ("**applicable law**"), or (b) the promulgation of, or any change in, the interpretation of any applicable law by a court, tribunal or regulatory authority with competent jurisdiction, which has the effect (as determined by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion) that its performance under the Notes has become unlawful or impractical

in whole or in part (such event under (a) and (b) being a "**Change of applicable law**"), the Issuer may in its sole and absolute discretion (i) make such amendments or adjustments to the Conditions as may be required such that its performance under the Notes shall no longer be unlawful or impracticable under applicable law, provided that such amendments or adjustments are effected in such a manner as to preserve insofar as possible and practicable the commercial terms of the Notes prior to such amendments or adjustments (and provided further that any proposed substitution of the Issuer may only be effected in accordance with General Note Condition 23 (*Substitution*)), or (ii) redeem the Notes on such day as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*) and will, if and to the extent permitted by applicable law, pay to the Holder in respect of each Note the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount (which shall be determined taking into account the Change of applicable law) on such day.

#### 18. **Agents**

In acting under the Agency Agreement and in connection with the Notes, the Agents act solely as agents of the Issuer and the Guarantor and do not assume any obligations towards or relationship of agency or trust for or with any of the Noteholders.

The initial Calculation Agent (if any) is specified in the relevant Final Terms. The Issuer and the Guarantor reserve the right at any time to vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent and to appoint a successor Fiscal Agent or Calculation Agent and additional or successor Paying Agents, provided that:

- (a) the Issuer and the Guarantor shall at all times maintain a Fiscal Agent and a Registrar;
- (b) the Issuer and the Guarantor shall at all times maintain a Paying Agent in an EU member state that will not be obliged to withhold or deduct tax pursuant to European Council Directive 2003/48/EC or any other Directive implementing the conclusions of the ECOFIN Council meeting of 26-27 November 2000;
- (c) if a Calculation Agent is specified in the relevant Final Terms, the Issuer and the Guarantor shall at all times maintain a Calculation Agent;
- (d) so long as any Euroclear Finland Registered Notes are outstanding, the Issuer and the Guarantor shall at all times maintain a Finnish Paying Agent, so long as any Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes are outstanding, the Issuer and the Guarantor shall at all times maintain a Swedish Paying Agent, so long as any VPS Registered Notes are outstanding, the Issuer and the Guarantor shall at all times maintain a Norwegian Paying Agent and so long as any Euroclear France Registered Notes are outstanding, the Issuer and the Guarantor shall at all times maintain a French Paying Agent; and
- (e) if and for so long as the Notes are admitted to listing, trading and/or quotation by any competent authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system which requires the appointment of a Paying Agent in any particular place, the Issuer and the Guarantor shall maintain a Paying Agent having its Specified Office in the place required by such competent authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system.

Notice of any change in any of the Agents or in their Specified Offices shall promptly be given to the Noteholders.

The Calculation Agent shall not act as an agent for the Holders but shall be the agent of the Issuer and all its calculations, determinations and adjustments hereunder shall be made in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, and (save in the case of manifest or proven error) shall be final and binding on the Issuer and the Holders. All calculation functions required of the Calculation Agent under these General Note Conditions may be delegated to any such person as the Calculation Agent, in its absolute discretion, may decide.

19. **Further Issues**

The Issuer shall be at liberty from time to time, without the consent of the Noteholders, to create and issue further Notes so as to form a single Series with the Notes of any particular Series.

20. **Notices**

- (a) Subject to General Note Conditions 20(b) (*Euroclear Finland Registered Notes*), 20(c) (*Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes*), 20(d) (*VPS Registered Notes*), 20(e) (*Euronext Paris listed Notes*) and 20(f) (*Global Registered Notes*) below, notices to the Noteholders shall be valid if published in a leading newspaper having general circulation in Luxembourg (which is expected to be the *Luxemburger Wort*) or published on the website of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange ([www.bourse.lu](http://www.bourse.lu)) or in either case, if such publication is not practicable, in a leading English language daily newspaper having general circulation in Europe. Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given on the date of first publication (or if required to be published in more than one newspaper, on the first date on which publication shall have been made in all the required newspapers).

- (b) *Euroclear Finland Registered Notes*: In respect of Euroclear Finland Registered Notes, the Issuer may either publish information and notices in at least one Finnish daily newspaper with nationwide coverage in the Republic of Finland or send such information and notices to the Finnish Paying Agent who (at the expense of the Issuer) will as soon as reasonably possible, publish the information and notices in at least one Finnish daily newspaper with nationwide coverage in the Republic of Finland.

Notwithstanding any confidentiality obligations, the Issuer shall be entitled to obtain information (including information on Euroclear Finland Holders) from the Euroclear Finland Register, and Euroclear Finland shall be entitled to provide such information to the Issuer and to the Finnish Paying Agent, respectively.

- (c) *Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes*: In respect of Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes, the Issuer may either publish information and notices in at least one Swedish daily newspaper with nationwide coverage in the Kingdom of Sweden or send such information and notices to the Swedish Paying Agent who (at the expense of the Issuer) will, as soon as reasonably possible, publish the information and notices in at least one Swedish daily newspaper with nationwide coverage in the Kingdom of Sweden.

Notwithstanding any confidentiality obligations, the Issuer shall be entitled to obtain information (including information on Euroclear Sweden Holders) from the Euroclear Sweden Register, and Euroclear Sweden shall be entitled to provide such information to the Issuer and to the Swedish Paying Agent, respectively.

- (d) *VPS Registered Notes*: Notices in respect of VPS Registered Notes will be in writing and shall be addressed to such VPS Holder, at its address appearing in the VPS Register maintained in accordance with the VPS Rules.

- (e) *Euronext Paris listed Notes*: In respect of Notes admitted to the regulated market of Euronext Paris S.A., all notices to Noteholders will be valid if published in a leading daily financial newspaper of general circulation in Paris (which is expected to be *Les Echos*) or, if such newspapers shall cease to be published or timely publication in such newspapers shall not be practicable, in such other daily financial newspaper of general circulation in Paris as the Issuer may select, so long as the Notes are listed on Euronext Paris S.A. and the rules of Euronext Paris S.A. so require.

- (f) *Global Registered Notes*: Notwithstanding anything else in this General Note Condition 20, while all the Notes are represented by one or more Global Registered Notes and the Global Registered Note(s) are held by a depositary or a common depositary for Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or any other relevant Clearing System, notices to Noteholders may be given by delivery of the relevant notice to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or any other relevant Clearing System and, in any case, such notices shall be deemed to have been given to the Noteholders in accordance with this General Note Condition 20 on the



date of delivery to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or any other relevant Clearing System, except that, for so long as such Notes are admitted to trading on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and it is a requirement of applicable law or regulations, such notices shall be published in a leading newspaper having general circulation in Luxembourg (which is expected to be the *Luxemburger Wort*) or published on the website of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange (www.bourse.lu).

Any such notice shall be irrevocable, and the delivery thereof shall oblige the Issuer to make the redemption therein specified.

## 21. Currency Indemnity

If any sum due from the Issuer in respect of the Notes or any order or judgment given or made in relation thereto has to be converted from the currency (the "**first currency**") in which the same is payable under these General Note Conditions or such order or judgment into another currency (the "**second currency**") for the purpose of (a) making or filing a claim or proof against the Issuer, (b) obtaining an order or judgment in any court or other tribunal or (c) enforcing any order or judgment given or made in relation to the Notes, the Issuer shall indemnify each Noteholder, on the written demand of such Noteholder addressed to the Issuer and delivered to the Issuer or to the Specified Office of the Fiscal Agent, against any loss suffered as a result of any discrepancy between (i) the rate of exchange used for such purpose to convert the sum in question from the first currency into the second currency and (ii) the rate or rates of exchange at which such Noteholder may in the ordinary course of business purchase the first currency with the second currency upon receipt of a sum paid to it in satisfaction, in whole or in part, of any such order, judgment, claim or proof.

This indemnity constitutes a separate and independent obligation of the Issuer and shall give rise to a separate and independent cause of action.

## 22. Rounding

(a) For the purposes of any calculations referred to in the Conditions (unless otherwise specified in any applicable Note Payout Condition or Underlying Asset Condition):

(i) all values and all percentages used in or resulting from such calculations will be rounded, if necessary, in the case of (A) a value, to five decimal places (with 0.000005 being rounded up to 0.00001), and (B) a percentage, to the nearest one hundred thousandth of a percentage point (with 0.000005 per cent. being rounded up to 0.00001 per cent.), unless the relevant Final Terms specify "**Non-Default Rounding – calculation values and percentages**" to be applicable, in which case, all percentages and all values used in or resulting from such calculations shall be rounded, if necessary, to the Specified Decimal Place (with halves being rounded up or down, as is specified in the relevant Final Terms);

(ii) all amounts due and payable denominated in any currency (including an Interest Amount and the Settlement Amount) will be rounded to five decimal places (with 0.000005 being rounded up to 0.00001), unless the relevant Final Terms specify "**Non-Default Rounding – amounts due and payable**" to be applicable, in which case, all amounts due and payable (or such amounts as specified in the relevant Final Terms) denominated in any currency will be rounded to the nearest Specified Sub-Unit of such currency (with halves of the Specified Sub-Unit being rounded up or down, as is specified in the relevant Final Terms),

or, in any case, if the relevant Final Terms specify "**Other Rounding Convention**" is applicable to any relevant percentage, amount or figure as specified in the relevant Final Terms, such percentage, amount or figure shall be rounded to such Specified Sub-Unit of currency or Specified Decimal Place, as the case may be, in each case, with halves being rounded up or down, as is specified in the relevant Final Terms.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Conditions or the Agency Agreement, each calculation of an amount payable in cash in respect of each Note (other than a Note in definitive form) shall be based on the aggregate nominal amount or number of all such Notes

outstanding on such date (or the relevant affected portion thereof), rounded in accordance with the method provided in General Note Condition 22 (*Rounding*) and distributed in accordance with the Relevant Rules.

**23. Substitution**

- (a) The Issuer is entitled at any time, with the consent of the Guarantor, without the consent of the Holders of the Notes, to substitute the Issuer with another company, provided that such company is the Guarantor or a wholly-owned subsidiary of GSG (the "**New Issuer**"), in respect of all its obligations under or in relation to the Notes, provided that:
- (i) the New Issuer assumes, by means of a deed poll substantially in the form of Schedule 11 to the Agency Agreement, all obligations of the Issuer arising from or in connection with the Notes (the "**Assumption**");
  - (ii) the Assumption does not have any adverse legal and tax consequences for Holders of the Notes;
  - (iii) the New Issuer provides an indemnity in favour of the Holders of the Notes in relation to any additional tax or duties that become payable solely as a result of the substitution of the Issuer for the New Issuer;
  - (iv) the New Issuer has obtained all necessary approvals from any regulatory authorities in order that the New Issuer can fulfil all obligations arising from or in connection with the Notes; and
  - (v) the Guarantor (except in the case where it is the New Issuer itself) unconditionally guarantees the fulfilment of the obligations of the New Issuer arising from these General Note Conditions.
- (b) In the event that the Issuer is substituted for the New Issuer, any reference to the Issuer in these General Note Conditions shall then be deemed to be a reference to the New Issuer.
- (c) The substitution of the Issuer in accordance with General Note Condition 23(a) (*Substitution*) shall be announced in accordance with General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*). After the substitution has taken place in accordance with General Note Condition 23(a) (*Substitution*), the New Issuer shall replace the Issuer in every respect and the Issuer shall be released from all obligations towards the Holders of the Notes in connection with the function of Issuer arising from or in connection with the Notes.

**24. Prescription**

Claims for principal and interest shall become void unless the relevant Notes are presented for payment within ten years of the appropriate Relevant Date.

**25. Taxation**

All payments of principal and interest in respect of the Notes by or on behalf of the Issuer or the Guarantor shall be made free and clear of, and without withholding or deduction for or on account of, any present or future Taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature unless the withholding or deduction of such Taxes, duties, assessments, or governmental charges is required by law. In that event, the appropriate withholding or deduction shall be made and neither the Issuer nor the Guarantor shall have any obligation to pay any additional amounts to compensate any Noteholder for such withholding or deduction.

**26. Governing Law**

- (a) *Notes other than EIS Notes:* The Notes (other than EIS Notes) (and any dispute, controversy, proceedings or claim of whatever nature (whether contractual, non-contractual or otherwise) arising out of or in any way relating to the Notes or their formation) shall be governed by English law.

- (b) *EIS Notes*: EIS Notes (and any dispute, controversy, proceedings or claim of whatever nature (whether contractual, non-contractual or otherwise) arising out of or in any way relating to the EIS Notes or their formation) shall be governed by Cayman Islands law.
- (c) *Guaranty*: The Guaranty shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.
- (d) *Application of Finnish, Swedish, Norwegian or French law*:
  - (i) Finnish law and jurisdiction will be applicable with regard to the registration of the Euroclear Finland Registered Notes in Euroclear Finland.
  - (ii) Swedish law and jurisdiction will be applicable with regard to the registration of the Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes in Euroclear Sweden.
  - (iii) Norwegian law and jurisdiction will be applicable with regard to the registration of the VPS Registered Notes in VPS.
  - (iv) French law and jurisdiction will be applicable with regard to the registration of the Euroclear France Registered Notes in Euroclear France.

27. **Jurisdiction**

The Courts of England are to have jurisdiction to settle any disputes, controversy, proceedings or claim of whatever nature that may arise out of or in connection with any Notes (including their formation) and accordingly any such legal action or proceedings ("**Proceedings**") may be brought in such courts. Each of the Issuer and the Guarantor irrevocably submits to the jurisdiction of the courts of England and waives any objection to Proceedings in such courts on the ground of venue or on the ground that the Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum. These submissions are made for the benefit of each of the Holders of the Notes and shall not affect the right of any of them to take Proceedings in any other court of competent jurisdiction nor shall the taking of Proceedings in one or more jurisdictions preclude the taking of Proceedings in any other jurisdiction (whether concurrently or not).

28. **Third Party Rights**

No person shall have any right to enforce any term or condition of the Notes under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.

## NOTE PAYOUT CONDITIONS

### Contents of the Note Payout Conditions

1. **Fixed Coupon Amount**
2. **Final Redemption Amount**
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The following Note Payout Conditions shall apply to all Notes except EIS Notes (unless otherwise specified in the Note Payout Conditions below), and to the extent provided in the Note Payout Conditions below, each sub-paragraph thereof shall apply where specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms.

#### 1. **Fixed Coupon Amount**

Unless the Notes are redeemed early, or are purchased and cancelled, in each case, in accordance with the Conditions, in respect of each Interest Payment Date, a Fixed Coupon Amount shall be payable in respect of each Note and the Interest Period ending on (but excluding) such Interest Payment Date, and such Fixed Coupon Amount shall be determined in accordance with the following provisions:

- (a) if "**BRL FX Note Conditions**" are specified to be applicable, the Fixed Coupon Amount shall be an amount (which may be zero, but will not be less than zero) in the Specified Currency calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

$$\frac{CA \times \text{Rate} \times \text{DCF}}{\text{BRL FX (IPD)}}$$

- (b) if "**FX Note Conditions**" are specified to be applicable, the Fixed Coupon Amount shall be an amount (which may be zero, but will not be less than zero) in the Specified Currency calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

$$\frac{CA \times \text{Rate} \times \text{DCF}}{\text{FX (IPD)}}$$

#### 2. **Final Redemption Amount**

The Final Redemption Amount payable in respect of each Note shall be determined in accordance with such of the following provisions as are specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms.

- (a) **Delta-One Security**

If "**Delta-One Security**" is specified to be applicable, the Final Redemption Amount payable in respect of each Note shall be an amount in the Specified Currency calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula below:

$$CA \times \frac{\text{Reference Price (Final)}}{\text{Reference Price (Initial)}}$$

- (b) **BRL FX Note Conditions**

If "**BRL FX Note Conditions**" are specified to be applicable, the Final Redemption Amount payable in respect of each Note shall be an amount in the Specified Currency calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula below:

$$\frac{CA}{BRL\ FX(Final)}$$

(c) FX Note Conditions

If "**FX Note Conditions**" are specified to be applicable, the Final Redemption Amount payable in respect of each Note shall be an amount in the Specified Currency calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula below:

$$\frac{CA}{FX(Final)}$$

3. **Definitions and Interpretation**

(a) **Definitions**

In these Note Payout Conditions, unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms shall have the respective meanings set out below:

"**Bloomberg Page**" has the meaning given in the FX Linked Conditions.

"**Brazilian Business Day**" means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in any of the following cities: Brasilia, São Paulo or Rio de Janeiro. For the avoidance of doubt, a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) shall be a Brazilian Business Day so long as commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in any one (or more) of Brasilia, São Paulo or Rio de Janeiro on such day.

"**BRL FX**" means, in respect of a BRL Valuation Date, the product of (i) the EUR/USD FX Rate for such BRL Valuation Date, multiplied by (ii) the USD/BRL FX Rate for such BRL Valuation Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

"**BRL FX (Final)**" means the BRL FX for the Final BRL Valuation Date.

"**BRL FX (Initial)**" means the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

"**BRL FX (IPD)**" means, in respect of an Interest Payment Date, the BRL FX for the BRL Valuation Date corresponding to such Interest Payment Date.

"**BRL PTAX or BRL09 Rate**" means, in respect of any relevant day, the BRL/USD offered rate for USD, expressed as the amount of BRL per one USD, for settlement in two USD/BRL FX Business Days, as reported by the BRL PTAX Rate Sponsor on BRL PTAX Rate Source by approximately BRL PTAX Valuation Time on such day.

"**BRL PTAX Rate Source**" means, in respect of the BRL PTAX or BRL09 Rate, SISBACEN Data System under transaction code "PTAX-800" ("Consulta de Cambio" or Exchange Rate Inquiry), Option 5 ("Cotacões para Contabilidade" or Rates for Accounting Purposes) or such other price source, display page, screen or publication as specified in the relevant Final Terms, or if the BRL PTAX or BRL09 Rate is not published on or announced by such price source, display page, screen or publication at the relevant time, such other successor, alternative or replacement price source, display page, screen or publication for the BRL PTAX or BRL09 Rate as determined by the Calculation Agent acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner.

"**BRL PTAX Rate Sponsor**" means, in respect of the BRL PTAX or BRL09 Rate, the Banco Central do Brasil or such other entity as specified in the relevant Final Terms, or if the BRL PTAX or BRL09 Rate is not reported by such entity at the relevant time, such other successor

or replacement entity that is responsible for reporting the BRL PTAX or BRL09 Rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"BRL PTAX Valuation Time"** means, in respect of the BRL PTAX or BRL09 Rate, 1.15 p.m., São Paulo time or such other time and place as specified in the relevant Final Terms, or if the BRL PTAX or BRL09 Rate is not reported, published or announced by such time, such other time when the BRL PTAX or BRL09 Rate is reported, published or announced as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"BRL Valuation Dates"** mean, in respect of each Interest Payment Date, the day falling on the Specified Number of Scheduled USD/BRL FX Business Days preceding the Scheduled Interest Payment Date on which such Interest Payment Date is scheduled to fall (and, for each BRL Valuation Date, such day shall be the **"Scheduled BRL Valuation Date"** corresponding to such BRL Valuation Date), subject to adjustment in accordance with FX Linked Condition 2 (*BRL FX Note Conditions*).

**"Business Day"** means, where the relevant Final Terms specify "BRL FX Note Conditions" to be applicable, each day that is a Brazilian Business Day, a New York Business Day and a TARGET Settlement Day.

**"CA"** means the Calculation Amount.

**"Closing Index Level"** has the meaning given in the Index Linked Conditions.

**"Closing Share Price"** has the meaning given in the Share Linked Conditions.

**"Currency Price"** has the meaning given in the FX Linked Conditions.

**"DCF"** means, in respect of a Fixed Coupon Amount and an Interest Period, the Day Count Fraction corresponding to such Interest Period.

**"EUR/USD FX Rate"** means, in respect of any relevant day, the official mid EUR/USD exchange rate, expressed as the amount of USD per EUR 1.00, published by WM Performance Services Company Plc (such other successor or replacement entity that is responsible for reporting such official mid EUR/USD exchange rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent) at or around 4.00 p.m., London time (or such other time when such official mid EUR/USD exchange rate is reported, as determined by the Calculation Agent), on such day, and which is published on the Specified Reuters Screen and the Specified Bloomberg Page for such day, provided that (i) if the exchange rate published on the Specified Reuters Screen and Specified Bloomberg Page is different, the EUR/USD FX Rate for such day shall be the exchange rate published for such day on the Specified Reuters Screen, (ii) if the exchange rate is published for such day on the Specified Reuters Screen or Specified Bloomberg Page, but not both, the EUR/USD FX Rate shall be such published exchange rate, and (iii) if such exchange rate is neither published for such day on the Specified Reuters Screen nor on the Specified Bloomberg Page, then the EUR/USD FX Rate for such day shall be determined by the Calculation Agent in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner.

**"Final BRL Valuation Date"** means the BRL Valuation Date in respect of the Interest Payment Date falling on the Maturity Date.

**"Final Closing Price"** means, if the Underlying Asset specified in the relevant Final Terms is:

- (i) a Share, the Closing Share Price of the Share on the Valuation Date; or
- (ii) an Index, the Closing Index Level of the Index on the Valuation Date; or
- (iii) a Commodity, the Commodity Reference Price of the Commodity on the Pricing Date; or
- (iv) a Commodity Index, the Closing Level of the Commodity Index on the Valuation Date; or

- (v) an FX Rate, the Currency Price on the Valuation Date; or
- (vi) an Inflation Index, the level of the Inflation Index published for the Final Reference Month.

**"Final Valuation Date"** means the Valuation Date scheduled to fall on the date specified as the "Final Valuation Date" in the relevant Final Terms.

**"FX (Final)"** means the Currency Price in respect of the Final Valuation Date.

**"FX (Initial)"** means the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

**"FX (IPD)"** means, in respect of an Interest Payment Date, the Currency Price in respect of the Valuation Date corresponding to such Interest Payment Date.

**"Initial Closing Price"** means, in respect of:

- (i) a Share, if the relevant Final Terms specify **"Initial Closing Share Price"** to be applicable, the Closing Share Price of the Share on the Initial Valuation Date for the Share as determined by the Calculation Agent, and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount set forth in the Underlying Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Share; or
- (ii) an Index, if the relevant Final Terms specify **"Initial Closing Index Level"** to be applicable, the Closing Index Level of the Index on the Initial Valuation Date for the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent, and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount set forth in the Underlying Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Index; or
- (iii) a Commodity, if the relevant Final Terms specify **"Initial Commodity Reference Price"** to be applicable, the Commodity Reference Price of the Commodity on the Initial Pricing Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount set forth in the Underlying Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Commodity; or
- (iv) a Commodity Index, if the relevant Final Terms specify **"Initial Commodity Index Closing Level"** to be applicable, the Closing Level of the Commodity Index on the Initial Valuation Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount set forth in the Underlying Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Commodity Index; or
- (v) an FX Rate, if the relevant Final Terms specify **"Initial Currency Price"** to be applicable, the Currency Price on the Initial Valuation Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount as specified in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such FX Rate; or
- (vi) an Inflation Index, if the relevant Final Terms specify **"Initial Inflation Index Level"** to be applicable, the level of the Inflation Index published for the Initial Reference Month, as determined by the Calculation Agent and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount set forth in the Underlying Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Inflation Index.

**"Initial Price"** means, in respect of:

- (i) a Share, if the relevant Final Terms specify **"Initial Share Price"** to be applicable, the Share Price of such Share on the Initial Valuation Date for such Share as determined by

the Calculation Agent, and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount set forth in the Underlying Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Share; or

- (ii) an Index, if the relevant Final Terms specify "**Initial Index Level**" to be applicable, the Index Level of such Index on the Initial Valuation Date for such Index as determined by the Calculation Agent and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount set forth in the Underlying Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Index; or
- (iii) a Commodity, if the relevant Final Terms specify "**Initial Commodity Price**" to be applicable, the relevant price of the Commodity on the Initial Pricing Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount set forth in the Underlying Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in respect of such Commodity; or
- (iv) a Commodity Index, if the relevant Final Terms specify "**Initial Commodity Index Level**" to be applicable, the relevant level of the Commodity Index on the Initial Valuation Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, being the amount set forth in the Underlying Asset Table in the relevant Final Terms in the column entitled "Reference Price (Initial)" in the row corresponding to such Commodity Index.

**"Initial Reference Month"** means in respect of an Inflation Index, the calendar month specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Interest Payment Date"** means, if the relevant Final Terms specify:

- (i) "BRL FX Note Conditions" to be applicable, the Maturity Date and each of the later to occur of (A) each Scheduled Interest Payment Date (other than the Scheduled Maturity Date), subject to adjustment in accordance with the Business Day Convention and (B) the Specified Number of Business Days following the BRL Valuation Date scheduled to fall a Specified Number of Scheduled USD/BRL FX Business Days prior to such Scheduled Interest Payment Date; or
- (ii) "FX Note Conditions" to be applicable, in respect of: (A) each Valuation Date (other than the Final Valuation Date), the date as set forth in the "Valuation and Interest Payment Date Table" in the column entitled "Interest Payment Date" in the row corresponding to the date specified in the column entitled "Valuation Date" on which such Valuation Date is scheduled to fall, (each, a "**Scheduled Interest Payment Date**"), provided that if such Valuation Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, the Interest Payment Date will instead be the day that falls on the Relevant Number of Business Day(s) after such Valuation Date, and (B) the Final Valuation Date, the Maturity Date.

**"Issue Price"** means, if the relevant Final Terms specify:

- (i) "BRL FX Note Conditions" to be applicable, the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms ("**BRL Issue Price**"), and if the relevant Final Terms specify "Issue Price FX Conversion" to be applicable, the BRL Issue Price in respect of the Aggregate Nominal Amount shall be paid in EUR, being an amount determined by the Calculation Agent to be equal to the quotient of the Aggregate Nominal Amount divided by the BRL FX (Initial) and if specified in the relevant Final Terms, shall be such EUR amount as specified in the relevant Final Terms as the "**EUR Issue Price**";
- (ii) "FX Note Conditions" to be applicable, the amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms ("**Note Currency Issue Price**"), and if the relevant Final Terms specify "Issue Price FX Conversion" to be applicable, the Note Currency Issue Price in respect of the Aggregate Nominal Amount shall be paid in the Specified Currency, being an amount determined by the Calculation Agent to be equal to the quotient of the Aggregate Nominal Amount divided by the FX (Initial) and if specified in the



relevant Final Terms, shall be such amount in the Specified Currency as specified in the relevant Final Terms as the **"Specified Currency Issue Price"**.

**"Maturity Date"** means, if the relevant Final Terms specify "BRL FX Note Conditions" to be applicable, the later to occur of (i) the Scheduled Maturity Date, subject to adjustment in accordance with the Business Day Convention specified in the relevant Final Terms as the "Maturity Date Business Day Convention" and (ii) the Specified Day(s) after the Final BRL Valuation Date.

**"New York Business Day"** means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in New York City.

**"Rate"** means an amount specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Reference Price (Final)"** means, if the relevant Final Terms specify "Delta-One Security" to be applicable, in respect of an Underlying Asset, the Final Closing Price of such Underlying Asset.

**"Reference Price (Initial)"** means, if the relevant Final Terms specify "Delta-One Security" to be applicable, in respect of an Underlying Asset, the Initial Closing Price of such Underlying Asset or the Initial Price of such Underlying Asset, as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Relevant Number of Business Day(s)"** means the number of Business Days which the Calculation Agent anticipates, as of the Strike Date, shall fall in the period commencing on, but excluding, the Scheduled Valuation Date corresponding to a Valuation Date and ending on, and including, the corresponding Scheduled Interest Payment Date in respect of such Valuation Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Reuters Screen"** has the meaning given in the FX Linked Conditions.

**"Scheduled Interest Payment Date"** means each date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Scheduled USD/BRL FX Business Day"** means each USD/BRL FX Business Day and each day that would have been a USD/BRL FX Business Day (but which is not a USD/BRL FX Business Day only on account of it being an Unscheduled Holiday).

**"Scheduled Valuation Date"** in respect of an FX Rate, has the meaning given in the FX Linked Conditions.

**"Specified Bloomberg Page"** means the Bloomberg Page specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Specified Number of Business Days"** means the number of Business Days specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Specified Number of Scheduled USD/BRL FX Business Days"** means the number of Scheduled USD/BRL FX Business Days specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Specified Reuters Screen"** means the Reuters Screen specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Underlying Asset Table"** means the table specified as such in relevant Final Terms.

**"Unscheduled Holiday"** means a day that is not a USD/BRL FX Business Day and the market was not aware of such fact (by means of a public announcement or by reference to other publicly available information) until a time later than 9.00 a.m., local time, in any of São Paulo, Rio de Janeiro or Brasilia two Brazilian Business Days prior to such day.

**"USD/BRL FX Business Day"** means, in respect of the USD/BRL FX Rate, each day that is both a Brazilian Business Day and a New York Business Day.

**"USD/BRL FX Rate"** means, in respect of a BRL Valuation Date, the BRL PTAX or BRL09 Rate for such BRL Valuation Date, subject to adjustment in accordance with the FX Linked Condition 2 (*BRL FX Note Conditions*).

**"Valuation Date"** in respect of:

- (i) a Share, has the meaning given in the Share Linked Conditions;
- (ii) an Index, has the meaning given in the Index Linked Conditions;
- (iii) a Commodity Index, has the meaning given in the Commodity Linked Conditions;  
and
- (iv) an FX Rate, has the meaning given in the FX Linked Conditions.

(b) **Interpretation**

- (i) Each reference in these Note Payout Conditions to "each Note" shall be deemed to be a reference to "each nominal amount of each Note equal to the Calculation Amount", unless "Calculation Amount" is specified in the relevant Final Terms to be not applicable, in which case, each reference in these Note Payout Conditions to "each Note" shall be deemed to be a reference to "each Note (of the Specified Denomination)".
- (ii) Capitalised terms used but not defined in these Note Payout Conditions will have the meanings given to them in the General Note Conditions.

## EIS NOTE PAYOUT CONDITIONS

### Contents of the EIS Note Payout Conditions

1. **Final Redemption**
2. **Defined Terms**
3. **Amendments to defined terms in the Share Linked Conditions and the General Note Conditions**

The following Payout Conditions shall apply if "EIS Notes" is specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms.

#### 1. **Final Redemption**

Unless the Notes are redeemed early or are adjusted, in each case in accordance with the Conditions, each Note (of the Specified Denomination) shall be redeemed on the Maturity Date by payment of the Final Redemption Amount, which shall be an amount in the Settlement Currency determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:

$$\text{Specified Denomination} \times \left( \frac{\text{Preference Share Value}_{\text{Final}}}{\text{Preference Share Value}_{\text{Initial}}} \right)$$

#### 2. **Defined Terms**

In these EIS Note Payout Conditions, unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms shall have the respective meanings set out below:

**"Preference Share Issuer"** means Goldman Sachs (Cayman) Limited (or any successors);

**"Preference Shares"** means the preference shares of the Preference Share Issuer specified as such in the relevant Final Terms (including as to class, title and securities identification number);

**"Preference Share Value"** means, in relation to the applicable Preference Shares and a day, the fair market value of such Preference Shares on that day, as determined by the Calculation Agent (for the avoidance of doubt, such valuation shall take place on such day only following the making by the Preference Share Calculation Agent of any determinations or valuations to be made by it on such day in respect of the Preference Shares);

**"Preference Share Value<sub>Final</sub>"** means, in relation to the applicable Preference Share, the Preference Share Value on the Valuation Date;

**"Preference Share Value<sub>Initial</sub>"** means, in relation to the applicable Preference Share, the Preference Share Value of the Preference Share on the Issue Date of the Notes; and

**"Preference Share Terms and Conditions"** means, in relation to the applicable Preference Shares, the terms and conditions set forth in the Memorandum of Articles of Association of the Preference Share Issuer together with the applicable Specific Terms and Conditions of such Preference Shares.

#### 3. **Amendments to defined terms in the Share Linked Conditions and the General Note Conditions**

##### (a) *Defined Terms:*

For the purposes of Notes, the defined terms below shall replace the corresponding terms in (i) (for all terms, save "Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount") the Share Linked Conditions

and (ii) (for "Maturity Date", "Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount" and "Valuation Date") in the General Note Conditions:

**"Extraordinary Event"** means an Insolvency Event, a Merger Event, a Tender Offer, a Nationalisation or a Preference Share Adjustment or Redemption Event;

**"Initial Valuation Date"** means the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, provided that, if the date for valuation of or any determination of the underlying asset or reference basis (or any part thereof) for the applicable Preference Shares falling on or about such day is to be delayed in accordance with the Preference Share Terms and Conditions by reason of disruption or an adjustment event, the Initial Valuation Date shall be such delayed valuation or determination by the Calculation Agent;

**"Maturity Date"** means the Scheduled Maturity Date (and such date shall not be subject to adjustment pursuant to the definition of "Maturity Date" in the General Note Conditions or the Share Linked Conditions), provided that if (i) Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption is applicable in relation to the applicable Preference Shares and (ii) a Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Event occurs the Maturity Date shall be the automatic early redemption date for redemption of the Preference Shares corresponding to the valuation date on which a Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Event has occurred under the Preference Share Terms and Conditions (as determined by the Calculation Agent);

**"Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount"** means:

- (i) for purposes of General Note Condition 14 (*Events of Default*), an amount, in the Settlement Currency, which shall be determined by the Calculation Agent, based on the quotes of three Qualified Financial Institutions, as the suitable market price of an EIS Note (of the Specified Denomination), taking into account its remaining present value, immediately before the redemption (provided that, in relation to the Preference Shares, the EIS Note shall be valued on the assumption that the full redemption amount payable on settlement of the Preference Shares would in fact be paid, notwithstanding an insolvency or shortage of available funds by the Preference Share Issuer). In the event that quotes are not able to be obtained from three Qualified Financial Institutions, the amount shall be determined in good faith by the Calculation Agent as the fair market value of the EIS Note, taking into account the remaining present value, immediately before the redemption, and adjusted to account fully for any reasonable expenses and costs of the Issuer and/or its affiliates, including, those relating to the unwinding of any underlying and/or related hedging and funding arrangements; and
- (ii) for purposes of each of General Note Condition 17 (*Change of applicable law*) and Share Linked Condition 3.2 (*Occurrence of an Extraordinary Event*), an amount in the Settlement Currency determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the same formula for calculating the Final Redemption Amount save (x) "Preference Share Value<sub>Final</sub>" for such purpose shall mean instead the Preference Share Value on the date on which the EIS Notes are scheduled for redemption (or such earlier date to the extent necessary in order to allow the calculation of the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount prior to the redemption of the EIS Notes) and (y) ignoring, in the case of General Note Condition 17 (*Change of applicable law*), "(which shall be determined taking into account the Change of applicable law)" and, in the case of Share Linked Condition 3.2 (*Occurrence of an Extraordinary Event*), "taking into account the Extraordinary Event";

**"Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Event"** means the occurrence of a Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Event under the Preference Share Terms and Conditions of the applicable Preference Shares, as determined by the Calculation Agent;

**"Preference Shares Adjustment or Redemption Event"** means any adjustment to the Preference Share Terms and Conditions or amounts or values previously determined by the Preference Share Calculation Agent in relation to the Preference Shares or a non-scheduled early redemption of the Preference Shares, in each case in accordance with the Preference Share Terms and Conditions; and

**"Valuation Date"** means the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, provided that:

- (i) if the date for valuation of or any determination of the underlying asset or reference basis (or any part thereof) for the applicable Preference Shares falling on or about such day is to be delayed in accordance with the Preference Share Terms and Conditions by reason of a disruption or adjustment event, the relevant Valuation Date shall be such delayed valuation or determination date(s) all (as determined by the Calculation Agent); and
  - (ii) if Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption is applicable in relation to the applicable Preference Shares and a Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Event occurs, the Valuation Date will be the valuation date under the Preference Shares on which the automatic early redemption event has occurred (as determined by the Calculation Agent).
- (b) *Share Linked Condition 1: Share Linked Condition 1 (Consequences of Non-Scheduled Trading Days, Non-Common Scheduled Trading Days or Disrupted Days)* shall not apply to the Notes.

## UNDERLYING ASSET CONDITIONS

### INTRODUCTION TO THE SHARE LINKED CONDITIONS

*The following introduction to, and overview of, the Share Linked Conditions is a description and overview only of the actual Share Linked Conditions set forth herein, and is intended to be a guide only to potential purchasers to facilitate a general understanding of such provisions. Accordingly, this overview must be read as an introduction only to the actual Share Linked Conditions and any decisions to invest in Share Linked Securities should be based on a consideration of the Base Prospectus as a whole, including the actual Share Linked Conditions (as may be completed by the relevant Final Terms).*

#### Payments, Scheduled Trading Days and Disrupted Days

Payments (whether in respect of principal or interest and whether at maturity or otherwise) in respect of Share Linked Securities will be calculated by reference to the price of a single Share or the price of one or more Shares in a Share Basket or a formula based upon the price of one or more Shares at a specified time or times on one or more Reference Dates or Averaging Reference Dates (as set out in the Final Terms).

However, it may not be possible, practical or desirable for the Calculation Agent to determine the price of a Share at a specified time on a Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date if such date:

- is not a **Scheduled Trading Day**, i.e. a day on which the **Exchange** (on which such Share trades), and the specified **Related Exchanges** (on which trading in futures or options contracts relating to such Share occurs), are scheduled to be open; or
- is a **Disrupted Day**, i.e. a Scheduled Trading Day on which the Exchange or any specified Related Exchange fail to open or are otherwise subject to a **Market Disruption Event** during such day.

#### Summary of Market Disruption Events

Market Disruption Events can be classified broadly as the occurrence or existence of the following events:

- (a) an **Early Closure** is an unannounced closure of (i) the Exchange or (ii) any specified Related Exchange;
- (b) an **Exchange Disruption** is an event (other than an Early Closure) that disrupts the ability of market participants effecting transactions in, or obtaining market values for, (i) the Shares on the Exchange or (ii) futures or options contracts relating to such Shares on any relevant Related Exchange;
- (c) a **Trading Disruption** is the suspension of, or limitation imposed on, trading by the Exchange relating to the Shares or by the specified Related Exchanges relating to the futures or options contracts relating to such Shares; and
- (d) any change in conditions or controls which makes it impracticable to determine the amount payable.

#### Potential Postponement of Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date

In the circumstances described above, the Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date may, or may not, be postponed until a day on which the price of the relevant Share is published or can otherwise be determined by the Calculation Agent, subject to a long-stop date (designated by reference to the term "**Maximum Days of Disruption**") by which a price must be determined for the purpose of calculating the payments in respect of the Share Linked Securities.

The occurrence of a Scheduled Trading Day or a Disrupted Day may differ in respect of two or more Shares in a Share Basket, and in such circumstances, the Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date

for such Shares may remain different or may be postponed so that each Share in the Share Basket has the same Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date.

### Overview of Consequences

The Share Linked Conditions define the circumstances in which the determination of a price of a Share or Shares may be postponed and stipulate how such price or prices should be determined by reference to Share Linked Securities that relate to a single Share or a Share Basket and Reference Dates or Averaging Reference Dates.

The following overviews set out the default consequence in respect of each type of Share Linked Security if the Scheduled Reference Date or Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, though such overviews are subject to, and must be read in conjunction with, the more detailed contents of the Share Linked Conditions.

### Calculation Agent Determinations and Calculations

The Calculation Agent, which will be Goldman Sachs International (unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms), may be required to make certain determinations and calculations pursuant to the Share Linked Conditions relating to, among others, the occurrence of a Scheduled Trading Day or a Disrupted Day, the calculation of a Share Price, the occurrence, and materiality, of a Potential Adjustment Event, an Extraordinary Event, a Change in Law or an Additional Disruption Event (such terms are described below), adjustments to the terms and conditions of Share Linked Securities following the occurrence of such events, including the composition of the Share Basket, and the calculation of early redemption amounts. In all circumstances, the Calculation Agent must make such determinations and calculations in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner.

#### Single Share and Reference Date

- (a) Unless specified otherwise, the Reference Date will be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, with a standard long-stop date of eight Scheduled Trading Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the Share Price.
- (b) The Final Terms may, however, specify that no adjustment should be made in the event of a Disrupted Day occurring on the Scheduled Reference Date and that the Calculation Agent shall determine the Share Price on the Scheduled Reference Date.

#### Single Share and Averaging Reference Date

There are four options that can be specified in the relevant Final Terms:

- (a) **Omission** – the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is discarded from the valuation process, provided that there must be at least one Averaging Reference Date, upon which a Share Price can be determined, otherwise the sole Averaging Reference Date shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day following the final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date, with a standard long-stop date of eight Scheduled Trading Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the Share Price.
- (b) **Postponement** – the Averaging Reference Date in respect of a Scheduled Averaging Reference Date will be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, with a standard long-stop date of eight Scheduled Trading Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the Share Price.
- (c) **Modified Postponement** – the Averaging Reference Date in respect of a Scheduled Averaging Reference Date will be the first succeeding **Valid Date**, i.e. a Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day and is not another Averaging Reference Date, subject to a standard long-stop date of eight Scheduled Trading Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the Share Price.
- (d) **No Adjustment** - the Calculation Agent shall determine the Share Price on the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date.

The Final Terms in respect of Share Linked Securities that are linked to a Share Basket will specify which of the following elections will be applicable.

**Share Basket and Reference Dates – Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day**

- (a) If the Scheduled Reference Date for a Share is a Scheduled Trading Day and not a Disrupted Day, then the Scheduled Reference Date will be the Reference Date for such Share.
- (b) If the Scheduled Reference Date for a Share is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, then the Reference Date will be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, with a standard long-stop date of eight Scheduled Trading Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the Share Price, provided that, if the Final Terms specify that no adjustment should be made, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the Share Price on the Scheduled Reference Date.

**Share Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day**

If the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for any Share is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, then one of the following four options may be selected:

- (a) **Omission** – the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is discarded from the valuation process, provided that there must be at least one Averaging Reference Date, upon which each Share Price in the Share Basket can be determined: (i) if the final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for a Share is a Scheduled Trading Day and is not a Disrupted Day, then the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date will be the Averaging Reference Date for such Share, and (ii) if the final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for a Share is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, then the standard eight Scheduled Trading Day postponement provisions will apply to the final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the Share Price.
- (b) **Postponement** – (i) if the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for a Share is a Scheduled Trading Day and is not a Disrupted Day, then the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date will be the Averaging Reference Date for such Share, and (ii) if the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for a Share is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, the Averaging Reference Date for such Share will be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, a long-stop date of eight Scheduled Trading Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the Share Price.
- (c) **Modified Postponement** – (i) if the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for a Share is a Scheduled Trading Day and is not a Disrupted Day, then the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date will be the Averaging Reference Date for such Share, and (ii) if the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for a Share is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, the Averaging Reference Date for such Share will be the first Valid Date, i.e. a Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day and is not another Averaging Reference Date, subject to a long-stop date of eight Scheduled Trading Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the Share Price.
- (d) **No Adjustment** - the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for a Share will be the Averaging Reference Date for such Share, and the Calculation Agent shall determine the Share Price on the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date.

**Share Basket and Reference Dates – Common Scheduled Trading Day but Individual Disrupted Day**

- (a) If the Scheduled Reference Date for **each** Share is a Scheduled Trading Day (the "**Common Scheduled Trading Day**") and not a Disrupted Day, then the Scheduled Reference Date will be the Reference Date for **each** Share.
- (b) (I) If the Scheduled Reference Date is a Common Scheduled Trading Day but is a Disrupted Day for one or more Shares, or (II) if the Scheduled Reference Date is not a Common



Scheduled Trading Day, in which case the Reference Date for **each** Share will be first succeeding Common Scheduled Trading Day, provided that,

- (i) if the Common Scheduled Trading Day for a Share is not a Disrupted Day, then the Common Scheduled Trading Day will be the Reference Date for such Share; and
- (ii) if the Common Scheduled Trading Day for a Share is a Disrupted Day, then the Reference Date for such Share will be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, with a standard long-stop date of eight Scheduled Trading Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the Share Price, provided that, if the Final Terms specify that no adjustment should be made, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the Share Price on the Scheduled Reference Date.

#### **Share Basket and Reference Dates – Common Scheduled Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day**

- (a) If the Scheduled Reference Date for **each** Share is a Scheduled Trading Day (the "**Common Scheduled Trading Day**") and not a Disrupted Day, then the Scheduled Reference Date will be the Reference Date for **each** Share.
- (b) If the Scheduled Reference Date is not a Common Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for any Share, then the Reference Date for **each** Share will be first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is a Common Scheduled Trading Day, which is not a Disrupted Day for **any** Share, unless each of the eight consecutive Common Scheduled Trading Days is a Disrupted Day for **any** Share. In such circumstances,
  - (i) the last consecutive Common Scheduled Trading Day shall be the Reference Date for each Share;
  - (ii) if the last consecutive Common Scheduled Trading Day for a Share is not a Disrupted Day, then such Share Price will be determined by reference to screen pages; and
  - (iii) if the last consecutive Common Scheduled Trading Day for a Share is a Disrupted Day, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the Share Price,

provided that, if the relevant Final Terms specify that no adjustment should be made, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the Share Price on the Scheduled Reference Date.

#### **Adjustments to terms of Share Linked Securities**

Following the occurrence of a Potential Adjustment Event, an adjustment to options on a Related Exchange, an Extraordinary Event, Change in Law or Additional Disruption Events specified as applicable in the relevant Final Terms, the Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the terms of the Share Linked Securities and calculations as described in the Conditions, may substitute the Shares and/or the Share Linked Securities may be redeemed or terminated early.

**Potential Adjustment Event** includes (i) a sub-division, consolidation or re-classification of Shares; (ii) a distribution, issue or dividend to existing shareholders, (iii) an extraordinary dividend; (iv) a call of shares that are not fully paid; (v) a repurchase by the issuer, or an affiliate thereof, of the Shares; (vi) a separation of rights from Shares; or (vii) any event having a dilutive or concentrative effect on value of Shares.

**Extraordinary Event** includes (i) a **Delisting** of Shares on an Exchange; (ii) an **Insolvency** of, or analogous proceedings affecting, the issuer of the Shares; (iii) a **Merger Event** entailing the consolidation of Shares with those of another entity; (iv) a **Nationalisation** of the issuer of the Shares or transfer of Shares to a governmental entity; (v) a **Tender Offer** or takeover offer that results in transfer of Shares to another entity, or (vi) where the Share is an Exchange Traded Fund, a **NAV Publication Suspension**, where the management company has failed to publish the net asset value of the Shares and such failure has a material effect on the Share Linked Securities and will be for more than a short period and/or will not be of a temporary nature.

**Change in Law** results in the Issuer incurring material costs for performing its obligations under the Share Linked Securities.

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### Adjustment, Modification and Disruption Provisions for Share Linked Notes and Share Linked Instruments

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These Share Linked Conditions shall apply to Instruments for which the relevant Final Terms specify that the Share Linked Instruments are applicable and to Notes for which the relevant Final Terms specify that the Share Linked Notes are applicable.

**1. Consequences of Non-Scheduled Trading Days, Non-Common Scheduled Trading Days or Disrupted Days**

**1.1 Single Share and Reference Dates**

Where the Share Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to a single Share, and if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date in respect of such Share is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, then the Reference Date for such Share shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day in respect of such Share, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption in respect of such Share immediately following such Scheduled Reference Date is a Disrupted Day for such Share. In that case:

- (a) that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Reference Date for such Share, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day for such Share; and
- (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the value for such Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (b) shall be deemed to be the Share Price at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date),

provided that,

- (c) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then the Reference Date for such Share shall be the Scheduled Reference Date, notwithstanding the fact that such Scheduled Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for such Share, and the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the value for such Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date (and such determination by the Calculation Agent shall be deemed to be the Share Price at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date);

**1.2 Single Share and Averaging Reference Dates**

Where the Share Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to a single Share, and, if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Averaging Reference Date in respect of such Share is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day and, if the relevant Final Terms specify:

- (a) "**Omission**" to be applicable, then such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date will be deemed not to be a relevant Averaging Reference Date, provided that, if through the operation of this provision there would not be any Averaging Reference Dates, then the Averaging Reference Date for such Share shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day following the final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date that the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day in respect of such Share, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption in respect of such Share immediately following such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is a Disrupted Day for such Share. In that case:
  - (i) that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for such Share, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day for such Share; and
  - (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the value for such Share as of the Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (ii) shall be deemed to be the Share Price at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date);

- (b) **"Postponement"** to be applicable, then the relevant Averaging Reference Date for such Share shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date that the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day for such Share, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption in respect of such Share immediately following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is a Disrupted Day for such Share. In that case:
- (i) that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for such Share, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day for such Share; and
  - (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the value for such Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (ii) shall be deemed to be the Share Price at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date). For the avoidance of doubt, an Averaging Reference Date determined in accordance with this Share Linked Condition 1.2 in respect of a Scheduled Averaging Reference Date may fall on the same day that another Averaging Reference Date in respect of another Scheduled Averaging Reference Date falls, whether or not such latter Averaging Reference Date was also determined in accordance with this Share Linked Condition 1.2;
- (c) **"Modified Postponement"** to be applicable, then the relevant Averaging Reference Date shall be the first succeeding Valid Date. If the first succeeding Valid Date has not occurred as of the relevant Valuation Time on the consecutive Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption immediately following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date that, but for the occurrence of another Averaging Reference Date or a Disrupted Day for such Share, would have been the relevant Averaging Reference Date, then
- (i) that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for such Share, notwithstanding the fact that such day is already an Averaging Reference Date or is a Disrupted Day for such Share; and
  - (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the value for such Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (ii) shall be deemed to be the Share Price at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date),
- provided that,
- (d) if the relevant Final Terms specify **"No Adjustment"** to be applicable, then the Averaging Reference Date for such Share shall be such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date, notwithstanding the fact that such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for such Share, and the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the value for such Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Averaging Reference Date (and such determination by the Calculation Agent shall be deemed to be the Share Price at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date); and
- (e) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day in respect of such Share and, the relevant Final Terms do not specify the consequence, then **"Postponement"** will apply.

### 1.3 **Share Basket and Reference Dates – Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day**

Where the Share Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to a Share Basket and such Final Terms specify **"Basket Valuation (Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day)"** to be applicable to the Shares, and if the

Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date in respect of any Share in the Share Basket is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for such Share, then:

- (a) if the Calculation Agent determines that such Scheduled Reference Date for a Share is a Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, then the Reference Date for such Share shall be such Scheduled Reference Date;
- (b) if the Calculation Agent determines that such Scheduled Reference Date for a Share is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, then the Reference Date for such Share shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day which the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day for such Share, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption immediately following such Scheduled Reference Date is a Disrupted Day for such Share. In that case:
  - (i) that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Reference Date for such Share, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day for such Share; and
  - (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the value for such Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (ii) shall be deemed to be the Share Price at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of such Reference Date),

provided that,

- (c) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then the Reference Date for each Share in the Share Basket shall be such Scheduled Reference Date, notwithstanding the fact that such Scheduled Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for any Share, and the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the value for such Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date (and such determination by the Calculation Agent shall be deemed to be the Share Price at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date);

#### 1.4 **Share Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day**

Where the Share Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to a Share Basket and such Final Terms specify "**Basket Valuation (Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day)**" to be applicable to the Shares, and, if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Averaging Reference Date in respect of any Share in the Share Basket is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for such Share and:

- (a) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**Omission**" to be applicable, such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date will be deemed not to be a relevant Averaging Reference Date for each Share in the Share Basket, provided that, if through the operation of this provision there would not be any Averaging Reference Dates, then the sole Averaging Reference Date for such Shares shall be determined by reference to the final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date as follows:
  - (i) for each Share in the Share Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is a Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, the Averaging Reference Date for such Share shall be such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date; and
  - (ii) for each Share in the Share Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, then the Averaging Reference Date for such Share shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day following such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date that the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day in respect of such Share, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive

Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption in respect of such Share immediately following such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is a Disrupted Day for such Share. In that case:

- (A) that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for such Share, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day for such Share; and
  - (B) the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the value for such Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (B) shall be deemed to be the Share Price at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date);
- (b) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**Postponement**" to be applicable, then:
- (i) for each Share in the Share Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is a Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, the Averaging Reference Date for such Share shall be such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date; and
  - (ii) for each Share in the Share Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, then the Averaging Reference Date for such Share shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date that the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day in respect of such Share, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption in respect of such Share immediately following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is a Disrupted Day for such Share. In that case:
    - (A) that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for such Share, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day for such Share; and
    - (B) the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the value for such Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (B) shall be deemed to be the Share Price at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date). For the avoidance of doubt, an Averaging Reference Date determined in accordance with this Share Linked Condition 1.4 in respect of a Scheduled Averaging Reference Date may fall on the same day that another Averaging Reference Date in respect of another Scheduled Averaging Reference Date falls, whether or not such latter Averaging Reference Date was also determined in accordance with this Share Linked Condition 1.4;
- (c) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**Modified Postponement**" to be applicable, then:
- (i) for each Share in the Share Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is a Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, the Averaging Reference Date for such Share shall be such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date; and
  - (ii) for each Share in the Share Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, the relevant Averaging Reference Date shall be the first succeeding Valid Date. If the first succeeding Valid Date has not occurred as of the relevant Valuation Time on the consecutive Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption immediately following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date that, but for the occurrence of another Averaging Reference Date or a

Disrupted Day for such Share, would have been the relevant Averaging Reference Date, then:

- (A) that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for such Share, notwithstanding the fact that such day is already an Averaging Reference Date or is a Disrupted Day for such Share; and
- (B) the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the value for such Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (B) shall be deemed to be the Share Price at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date),

provided that,

- (d) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then the Averaging Reference Date for each Share in the Share Basket shall be such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date, notwithstanding the fact that such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for any Share, and the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the value for such Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Averaging Reference Date (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (d) shall be deemed to be the Share Price at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date); and
- (e) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day in respect of any Share in the Share Basket and, the relevant Final Terms do not specify the consequence, then "**Postponement**" will apply.

**1.5 Share Basket and Reference Dates – Common Scheduled Trading Day but Individual Disrupted Day**

Where the Share Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to a Share Basket and such Final Terms specify "**Basket Valuation (Common Scheduled Trading Day but Individual Disrupted Day)**" to be applicable to any two or more Shares (such Shares being "**Common Basket Shares**" and each a "**Common Basket Share**" for the purposes of this Share Linked Condition 1.5), the following provisions shall apply:

- (a) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date is a Common Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day for each Common Basket Share, then the Reference Date for each Common Basket Share shall be such Scheduled Reference Date;
- (b) if (I) the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date is a Common Scheduled Trading Day but is a Disrupted Day for one or more Common Basket Shares, or (II) the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day for any Common Basket Share, in which case the Reference Date for each Common Basket Share shall be the first succeeding Common Scheduled Trading Day following such Scheduled Reference Date, provided that if such Common Scheduled Trading Day is a Disrupted Day for one or more Common Basket Shares, then, in respect of (I) and (II), then the following provisions shall apply:
  - (i) if the Calculation Agent determines that such Common Scheduled Trading Day is not a Disrupted Day for a Common Basket Share, then the Reference Date for such Common Basket Share shall be such Common Scheduled Trading Day;
  - (ii) if the Calculation Agent determines that such Common Scheduled Trading Day is a Disrupted Day for a Common Basket Share, then the Reference Date for such Common Basket Share shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day which the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day for such Common Basket Share, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption immediately



following such Common Scheduled Trading Day is a Disrupted Day for such Common Basket Share. In that case:

- (A) that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Reference Date for such Common Basket Share, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day for such Common Basket Share; and
- (B) the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the value for such Common Basket Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (B) shall be deemed to be the Share Price for such Common Basket Share at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date),

provided that,

- (iii) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then the Reference Date for each Common Basket Share shall be the Scheduled Reference Date, notwithstanding the fact that such Scheduled Reference Date is not a Common Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for any Common Basket Share, and the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the value for such Common Basket Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date (and such determination by the Calculation Agent shall be deemed to be the Share Price at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date).

#### 1.6 **Share Basket and Reference Dates – Common Scheduled Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day**

Where the Share Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to a Share Basket and such Final Terms specify "**Basket Valuation (Common Scheduled Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day)**" to be applicable to any two or more Shares (such Shares being "**Common Basket Shares**" and each a "**Common Basket Share**" for the purposes of this Share Linked Condition 1.6), the following provisions shall apply:

- (a) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date is a Common Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day for any Common Basket Share, then the Reference Date for each Common Basket Share shall be such Scheduled Reference Date;
- (b) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date is not a Common Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for any Common Basket Share, then the Reference Date for each Common Basket Share shall be the first succeeding Common Scheduled Trading Day following such Scheduled Reference Date which the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day for any Common Basket Share, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Common Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption immediately following such Scheduled Reference Date is a Disrupted Day for one or more Common Basket Shares. In that case:
  - (i) that last consecutive Common Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be such Reference Date for each Common Basket Share, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day for one or more Common Basket Shares, (such Common Basket Shares being "**Affected Common Basket Shares**" for such Reference Date, and each such Common Basket Share being an "**Affected Common Basket Share**" for such Reference Date);
  - (ii) for each Common Basket Share other than an Affected Common Basket Share, the relevant Share Price shall be determined by reference to the relevant screen pages by the Calculation Agent at the applicable Valuation Time on such last consecutive Common Scheduled Trading Day; and
  - (iii) for each Affected Common Basket Share, the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the value for such Affected Common Basket Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Common Scheduled Trading Day (and

such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (iii) shall be deemed to be the Share Price at the relevant Valuation Time of such Affected Common Basket Share in respect of such Reference Date),

provided that,

- (c) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then the Reference Date for each Common Basket Share shall be the Scheduled Reference Date, notwithstanding the fact that such Scheduled Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for any Common Basket Share, and the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the value for such Common Basket Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date (and such determination by the Calculation Agent shall be deemed to be the Share Price at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date).

## 2. **Fallback Valuation Date**

Notwithstanding any other terms of these Share Linked Conditions, if a Fallback Valuation Date is specified in the relevant Final Terms to be applicable to any Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date (any such date being, for the purposes of this Share Linked Condition 2, a "**Relevant Date**") for a Share, and if, following adjustment of such Relevant Date pursuant to Share Linked Condition 1 (*Consequences of Non-Scheduled Trading Days, Non-Common Scheduled Trading Days or Disrupted Days*) above (for the purposes of this Share Linked Condition 2, an "**Affected Share**") the Relevant Date would otherwise fall after the specified Fallback Valuation Date in respect of such Affected Share, then such Fallback Valuation Date shall be deemed to be such Relevant Date for such Affected Share. If such Fallback Valuation Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or a Common Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day in respect of such Affected Share, as the case may be, then the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the value for such Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Fallback Valuation Date (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this Share Linked Condition 2 shall be deemed to be the Share Price at the Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date).

## 3. **Adjustments**

### 3.1 **Occurrence of a Potential Adjustment Event or adjustment to options on a Related Exchange**

Following the determination by the Calculation Agent that a Potential Adjustment Event has occurred or following any adjustment to the settlement terms of listed options or futures contracts on the relevant Shares traded on a Related Exchange, the Calculation Agent will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event or adjustment to the settlement terms of listed options or futures contracts on the relevant Shares traded on a Related Exchange has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the Shares and, if so, will (i) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the terms of the Share Linked Securities, including without limitation, any variable or term relevant to the settlement or payment under such Share Linked Securities, as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for that diluting or concentrative effect (provided that no adjustments will be made to account solely for changes in volatility, expected dividends, stock loan rate, or liquidity relative to such Shares), and (ii) determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Calculation Agent may, but need not, determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the Shares traded on that options exchange.

### 3.2 **Occurrence of an Extraordinary Event**

If an Extraordinary Event occurs in relation to any Share, the consequences shall be as set out in paragraphs (a) to (d) below (provided that, if a Share is a share of an Exchange Traded Fund, Share Linked Condition 6 (*Delisting, Discontinuance or Modification of a Share that is a share of an Exchange Traded Fund*) shall apply in addition to the paragraphs (a) to (d) below):

- (a) the Calculation Agent may determine the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any one or more of the terms of the Share Linked Securities, including without limitation, any variable or term relevant to the settlement or payment under the Share Linked Securities, as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for the Extraordinary Event and

determine the effective date of that adjustment. The relevant adjustments may include, without limitation, adjustments to account for changes in volatility, expected dividends, stock loan rate or liquidity relevant to the Shares or to the Share Linked Securities. The Calculation Agent may (but need not) determine the appropriate adjustment by reference to the adjustment in respect of such Extraordinary Event made by any Options Exchange to options on the Shares traded on that Options Exchange; or

- (b) following each adjustment to the settlement terms of options on the Shares traded on any Options Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make the appropriate adjustment, if any, to any one or more of terms of the Share Linked Securities, including without limitation, any variable or term relevant to the settlement or payment under the Share Linked Securities, as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Options Exchange. If options on the Shares are not traded on the Options Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the terms of the Share Linked Securities, including without limitation, any variable or term relevant to the settlement or payment under the Share Linked Securities, as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate, with reference to the rules of and precedents (if any) set by the Options Exchange to account for the Extraordinary Event that in the determination of the Calculation Agent would have given rise to an adjustment by the Options Exchange if such options were so traded; or
- (c) the Issuer shall redeem all, but not some only, of the Share Linked Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) or General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*), as the case may be. If the Share Linked Securities are so redeemed in whole, the Issuer will pay to each Holder in respect of each Share Linked Security held by such Holder an amount equal to the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount of such Share Linked Security, taking into account the Extraordinary Event, as determined by the Calculation Agent. Payments will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) or General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*), as the case may be; or
- (d) if the relevant Final Terms specify "Extraordinary Event - Share Substitution" to be applicable upon the occurrence of an Extraordinary Event, then on or after the relevant Merger Date or Tender Offer Date or the date of the Delisting, Insolvency, Nationalisation, or where the Share is a share of an Exchange Traded Fund, NAV Publication Suspension, as the case may be, the Issuer shall require the Calculation Agent to adjust the Shares or Share Basket, as the case may be, to include shares selected by it (the "**Substitute Shares**") in place of the Shares (the "**Affected Share(s)**") which are affected by such Extraordinary Event, and such Substitute Shares and their issuer will be deemed to be "**Shares**" and a "**Share Issuer**" for the purposes of these Share Linked Conditions, respectively, and the Calculation Agent may make such adjustment, if any, to any one or more of terms of the Share Linked Securities, including without limitation, any variable or term relevant to the settlement or payment under the Share Linked Securities, as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate. For the avoidance of doubt, such Substitute Shares may include Depositary Receipts and/or shares of Exchange Traded Funds. In this regard:
  - (i) such substitution and the relevant adjustment to the terms of the Share Linked Securities will be deemed to be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent (the "**Substitution Date**") which may, but need not, be the Merger Date or Tender Offer Date or the date of the Delisting, Insolvency or Nationalisation or, where the Share is a share of an Exchange Traded Fund, as specified in the relevant Final Terms, NAV Publication Suspension (as the case may be);
  - (ii) the weighting of each Substitute Share in the relevant Share Basket, if applicable, will be equal to the weighting of the relevant Affected Share, unless otherwise determined by the Calculation Agent;
  - (iii) if a Merger Event or a Tender Offer occurs between two or more Shares of the relevant Share Basket, if applicable, Share Substitution will apply; and

- (iv) in order to be selected as a Substitute Share, each relevant share must be a share which:
  - (A) is not already comprised in the Share Basket;
  - (B) belongs to a similar economic sector as the Affected Share; and
  - (C) is of comparable market capitalisation, international standing, and exposure as the Affected Share,

in each case, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

### 3.3 Occurrence of a Change in Law

Following the determination by the Calculation Agent that a Change in Law, if specified as being applicable in the relevant Final Terms, has occurred, the Calculation Agent will:

- (a) determine the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any one or more of the terms of the Share Linked Securities, including without limitation, any variable or term relevant to the settlement or payment under such Share Linked Securities, as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for the Change in Law, and determine the effective date of that adjustment; or
- (b) redeem all, but not some only, of the Share Linked Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) or General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*), as the case may be. If the Share Linked Securities are so redeemed in whole, the Issuer will pay to each Holder in respect of each Share Linked Security held by such Holder an amount equal to the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount of such Share Linked Security, taking into account the Change in Law, as determined by the Calculation Agent. Payments will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) or General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*), as the case may be.

### 3.4 Occurrence of an Additional Disruption Event

If the relevant Final Terms specify that "Additional Disruption Events" is applicable, following the determination by the Calculation Agent that an Additional Disruption Event has occurred, the Calculation Agent will:

- (a) determine the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any one or more of the terms of the Share Linked Securities, including without limitation, any variable or term relevant to the settlement or payment under such Share Linked Securities, as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for the Additional Disruption Event, and determine the effective date of that adjustment; or
- (b) redeem all, but not some only, of the Share Linked Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) or General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*), as the case may be. If the Share Linked Securities are so redeemed in whole, the Issuer will pay to each Holder in respect of each Share Linked Security held by such Holder an amount equal to the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount of such Share Linked Security, taking into account the Additional Disruption Event, as determined by the Calculation Agent. Payments will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) or General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*), as the case may be.

## 4. Correction of Share Price

If the relevant Final Terms specify that "Correction of Share Price" to be applicable for a relevant Share, then, in the event that any Share Price published on the Exchange on any date which is utilised for any calculation or determination is subsequently corrected and the correction is published by the Exchange within one Settlement Cycle after the original publication, the Calculation Agent will make any determination or determine the amount that is payable or deliverable as a result of that correction, and, to the extent necessary, will adjust any relevant terms of the Share Linked Securities to account for

such correction, provided that, if a Correction Cut-off Date is applicable for a relevant Share for any relevant date, corrections published after such Correction Cut-off Date will be disregarded by the Calculation Agent for the purposes of determining or calculating any relevant amount, and/or whether any event specified in the Conditions has occurred.

## 5. Depositary Receipts Provisions

### 5.1 Application of Depositary Receipts Provisions

In relation to any Share Linked Securities to which these Share Linked Conditions apply and for which the relevant Final Terms specify that "**Depositary Receipts Provisions**" to be applicable, (i) each reference in such Share Linked Conditions to "**Share**" and "**Shares**" shall be construed as a reference to "Depositary Receipt" and "**Depositary Receipts**", except as modified by (ii) the provisions of, and the terms and expressions defined in, this Share Linked Condition 5:

- (a) The following terms shall have the following meanings in relation to Depositary Receipts:
  - (i) "**Deposit Agreement**" means the agreement or other instrument constituting the Depositary Receipts, as from time to time amended or supplemented in accordance with its terms;
  - (ii) "**Depositary**" means the depositary of the Depositary Receipts appointed as such in under the terms of the Deposit Agreement or any successor depositary thereunder;
  - (iii) "**Depositary Receipts**" means the depositary receipts as specified in the relevant Final Terms;
  - (iv) "**Share Company**" means (A) both the Depositary and the Underlying Share Issuer in respect of the Depositary Receipts, and (B) for all other purposes in relation to the Share Linked Securities, the Depositary;
  - (v) "**Underlying Shares**" means such shares of the Underlying Share Issuer as specified in the relevant Final Terms, unless "As specified in Share Linked Condition 5.1(a)" is specified in the relevant Final Terms, in which case "Underlying Shares" means, in respect of a Depositary Receipt, the shares or securities which such Depositary Receipt represents; and
  - (vi) "**Underlying Share Issuer**" shall be as specified in the relevant Final Terms, unless "As specified in Share Linked Condition 5.1(a)" is specified in the relevant Final Terms, in which case "Underlying Share Issuer" means, in respect of a Depositary Receipt, the issuer or issuers of the Underlying Shares of such Depositary Receipt.
- (b) The definition of "**Insolvency**" shall be construed in relation to the Depositary Receipts as if references herein to the Depositary Receipts of the Share Company were references to the Underlying Share.
- (c) The definition of "**Market Disruption Event**" shall include, in relation to the Depositary Receipts, the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event in relation to the Underlying Share, and, only for the purpose of determining whether a Market Disruption Event has occurred in relation to an Underlying Share, each reference in these Share Linked Conditions to "**Share**" or "**Shares**" shall be construed as a reference to "**Underlying Share**" or "**Underlying Shares**", respectively, and:
  - (i) "**Exchange**" means, in respect of each Underlying Share, each exchange or quotation system in respect of the Underlying Shares specified as such in the relevant Final Terms for such Underlying Shares, unless "As specified in Share Linked Condition 5.1(c)" is specified in the relevant Final Terms, in which case "Exchange" means, in respect of each Depositary Receipt, the primary exchange or quotation system on which such Underlying Share is traded, as determined by the Calculation Agent, and in each case, any successor to such exchange or quotation system or any substitute exchange or quotation system to which trading in such Underlying Shares has temporarily relocated (provided that the Calculation Agent has determined that there is comparable liquidity

relative to such Underlying Shares on such temporary substitute exchange or quotation system as on the original Exchange);

- (ii) **"Related Exchange"** means, in respect of each Underlying Share, each exchange or quotation system in respect of the Underlying Shares, if any, specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, unless "As specified in Share Linked Condition 5.1(c)" is specified in the relevant Final Terms, in which case "Related Exchange" means, in respect of each Depositary Receipt, All Exchanges, as if the Underlying Share corresponding to such Depositary Receipt were a Share, and in each case, any successor to such exchange or quotation system or any substitute exchange or quotation system to which trading in futures or options contracts relating to such Underlying Shares has temporarily relocated (provided that the Calculation Agent has determined that there is comparable liquidity relative to the futures or options contracts relating to such Underlying Shares on such temporary substitute exchange or quotation system as on the original Related Exchange); and
- (iii) **"Valuation Time"** means, in respect of each Underlying Share, the time specified in respect of the Underlying Shares in the relevant Final Terms unless "As specified in Share Linked Condition 5.1(c)" is specified in the relevant Final Terms, in which case "Valuation Time" means, in respect of each Depositary Receipt and the corresponding Underlying Share, the Scheduled Closing Time on the relevant Exchange on the relevant day in relation to each Underlying Share to be valued. If the relevant Exchange closes prior to its Scheduled Closing Time and the specified Valuation Time is after the actual closing time for its regular trading session, then the Valuation Time shall be such actual closing time.
- (d) The definition of **"Merger Event"** shall include, in relation to Depositary Receipts, the occurrence of any Merger Event in relation to the Underlying Share.
- (e) The definition of **"Nationalisation"** shall be construed in relation to the Depositary Receipts as if references herein to the Depositary Receipts of the Share Company were references to the Underlying Share.
- (f) The definition of **"Potential Adjustment Event"** shall include, in relation to the Depositary Receipts:
  - (i) the occurrence of any Potential Adjustment Event in relation to the Underlying Share or any other shares or securities represented by the Depositary Receipts; and
  - (ii) the making of any amendment or supplement to the terms of the Deposit Agreement.

## 5.2 Termination of Deposit Agreement

If the Deposit Agreement is terminated, then on or after the date of such termination, references to Depositary Receipts shall be replaced by references to the Underlying Share and the Calculation Agent will adjust any relevant terms and will determine the effective date of such replacement and adjustments.

## 6. Delisting, Discontinuance or Modification of a Share that is a share of an Exchange Traded Fund

- (a) Where the Share is a share of an Exchange Traded Fund, upon the occurrence of a Delisting in relation to such Share, the Calculation Agent may, in its sole discretion, either (i) make the determinations and take the actions specified in Share Linked Condition 3.2, or (ii) substitute an exchange traded fund that the Calculation Agent determines, in its sole discretion, to be comparable to the discontinued Shares (such exchange traded fund, a **"Successor Fund"**). If the Calculation Agent determines that no such Successor Fund is available, then the Calculation Agent will, in its sole discretion, determine the appropriate closing price of the Shares by a computation methodology that the Calculation Agent determines will as closely as reasonably possible replicate the Shares. If a Successor Fund is selected, that Successor Fund will be substituted for the Shares for all purposes of the Share Linked Securities and the

Calculation Agent may determine in its sole discretion the appropriate date for the substitution of the Shares.

- (b) If at any time the index underlying the Exchange Traded Fund and/or the terms and conditions governing the assets, contracts and instruments invested in or held by the Exchange Traded Fund are changed in a material respect (as determined by the Calculation Agent), or if the Exchange Traded Fund in any other way is modified so that it does not, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, fairly represent the net asset value of the Shares had those changes or modifications not been made, then, from and after that time, the Calculation Agent will make those calculations and adjustments as, in the good faith judgment of the Calculation Agent, may be necessary in order to arrive at a price of an exchange traded fund comparable to the Exchange Traded Fund or the Successor Fund, as the case may be, as if those changes or modifications had not been made, and calculate the closing prices with reference to the Exchange Traded Fund or the Successor Fund, as adjusted. Accordingly, if the Exchange Traded Fund or a Successor Fund is modified in a way that the price of its shares is a fraction of what it would have been if it had not been modified (for example, due to a split or a reverse split), then the Calculation Agent will adjust the price in order to arrive at a price of the Shares or shares of the Successor Fund as if it had not been modified (for example, as if the split or the reverse split had not occurred). The Calculation Agent also may determine that no adjustment is required by the modification of the method of calculation.

## 7. Definitions

The following terms and expressions shall have the following meanings in relation to Share Linked Securities to which these Share Linked Conditions apply:

**"Affected Common Basket Share"** and **"Affected Common Basket Shares"** have the meaning given thereto in Share Linked Condition 1.6 (*Share Basket and Reference Dates – Common Scheduled Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day*).

**"Affected Share"** has the meaning given thereto in Share Linked Condition 2 (*Fallback Valuation Date*).

**"Automatic Early Exercise Date"** means such date as is specified in the relevant Final Terms (each, a **"Scheduled Automatic Early Exercise Date"**), provided that, if the relevant Applicable Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, the corresponding Automatic Early Exercise Date in respect of such Applicable Date will instead be the day falling the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Automatic Early Exercise Settlement Period Business Days after the Latest Reference Date corresponding to such Applicable Date.

**"Automatic Early Redemption Date"** means such date as is specified in the relevant Final Terms (each, a **"Scheduled Automatic Early Redemption Date"**), provided that, if the relevant Applicable Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, the corresponding Automatic Early Redemption Date in respect of such Applicable Date will instead be the day falling the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Automatic Early Redemption Settlement Period Business Days after the Latest Reference Date corresponding to such Applicable Date.

**"Averaging Date"** means, in respect of a Share, each date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms or otherwise determined as provided in the Conditions, subject to adjustment (as an Averaging Reference Date) in accordance with these Share Linked Conditions.

**"Averaging Reference Date"** means, in respect of a Share, each Initial Averaging Date or Averaging Date, in each case, subject to adjustment in accordance with these Share Linked Conditions.

**"Change in Law"** means that, on or after the Issue Date, due to (i) the adoption of or any change in any applicable law or regulation (including, without limitation, any tax law) or (ii) the promulgation of or any change in the interpretation by any court, tribunal or regulatory authority with competent jurisdiction of any applicable law or regulation (including any action taken by a taxing authority), the Calculation Agent determines that the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates will incur a materially increased cost in performing its obligations under the Share Linked Securities (including, without limitation, due to any increase in tax liability, decrease in tax benefit, or other adverse effect on its tax position).

**"Closing Share Price"** means, in respect of a Share and any relevant day, the official closing price of the Share (expressed in relevant Share Currency (if specified in the relevant Final Terms) applicable to the Share) as of the Valuation Time on the Exchange on such day, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Common Basket Share"** and **"Common Basket Shares"** have the meaning given thereto in Share Linked Condition 1.5 (*Share Basket and Reference Dates – Common Scheduled Trading Day but Individual Disrupted Day*) or Share Linked Condition 1.6 (*Share Basket and Reference Dates – Common Scheduled Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day*), as the case may be.

**"Common Scheduled Trading Day"** means, in respect of a Share Basket comprising Common Basket Shares, each day which is a Scheduled Trading Day for all Common Basket Shares in such Share Basket.

**"Correction Cut-off Date"** means, if specified in the relevant Final Terms to be applicable to any date on which the price of a Share is required to be determined, the date(s) specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, or such number of Business Days as specified in the relevant Final Terms prior to the next following date upon which any payment or delivery of assets may have to be made by the Issuer by reference to the price of such Share on such day, unless "Default Correction Cut-off Date" is specified in the relevant Final Terms to be applicable in respect of any date on which the price of such Share is required to be determined, then the "Correction Cut-off Date" for such Share and such date shall be the second Business Day prior to the next following date upon which any payment or delivery of assets may have to be made by the Issuer by reference to the price of such Share on such day.

**"Delisting"** means, in respect of any relevant Shares, the Exchange announces that pursuant to the rules of such Exchange, such Shares cease (or will cease) to be listed, traded, or publicly quoted on such Exchange for any reason (other than a Merger Event or Tender Offer) and are not immediately re-listed, re-traded, or re-quoted on an exchange or quotation system located in the same country as such Exchange (or, where such Exchange is within the European Union, in a member state of the European Union).

**"Disrupted Day"** means any Scheduled Trading Day on which a relevant Exchange or any Related Exchange fails to open for trading during its regular trading session or on which a Market Disruption Event has occurred.

**"Early Closure"** means, in respect of a Share, the closure on any Exchange Business Day of the relevant Exchange relating to such Share or any Related Exchange prior to its Scheduled Closing Time unless such earlier closing time is announced by such Exchange or Related Exchange, as the case may be, at least one-hour prior to the earlier of (i) the actual closing time for the regular trading session on such Exchange or Related Exchange (as the case may be) on such Exchange Business Day and (ii) the submission deadline for orders to be entered into such Exchange or Related Exchange system for execution as at the relevant Valuation Time on such Exchange Business Day.

**"Exchange"** means, in respect of a Share, each exchange or quotation system specified as such in the relevant Final Terms for such Share, any successor to such exchange or quotation system or any substitute exchange or quotation system to which trading in such Share has temporarily relocated (provided that the Calculation Agent has determined that there is comparable liquidity relative to such Share on such temporary substitute exchange or quotation system as on the original Exchange).

**"Exchange Business Day"** means, in respect of a Share, any Scheduled Trading Day for such Share on which each Exchange and each Related Exchange for such Share are open for trading during their respective regular trading sessions, notwithstanding any such Exchange or Related Exchange closing prior to its Scheduled Closing Time.

**"Exchange Disruption"** means, in respect of a Share, any event (other than an Early Closure) that disrupts or impairs (as determined by the Calculation Agent) the ability of market participants in general (i) to effect transactions in, or obtain market values for, the Shares on the Exchange, or (ii) to effect transactions in, or obtain market values for, futures or options contracts relating to such Share on any relevant Related Exchange.

**"Exchange Traded Fund"** means an exchange traded fund specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, and related expressions shall be construed accordingly.



**"Extraordinary Dividend"** means, in respect of any Share, an amount per such Share which the Calculation Agent determines and characterises to be an extraordinary dividend.

**"Extraordinary Event"** means, in respect of a Share, a Delisting, an Insolvency, a Merger Event, a Nationalisation, a Tender Offer, and where the Share is a share of an Exchange Traded Fund, a NAV Publication Suspension.

**"Fallback Valuation Date"** means, in respect of any Share and if Fallback Valuation Date is specified in the relevant Final Terms to be applicable to any date on which the price of such Share is required to be determined, the date(s) specified as such in the relevant Final Terms or such number of Business Days as specified in the relevant Final Terms prior to the next following date upon which any payment or delivery of assets may have to be made by the Issuer by reference to the price of such Share on such day, unless "Default Fallback Valuation Date" is specified in the Final Terms to be applicable to any date on which the price of such Share is required to be determined, then the Fallback Valuation Date for such Share and such date shall be the second Business Day prior to the next following date upon which any payment or delivery of assets may have to be made by the Issuer by reference to the price of such Share on such day.

**"Hedge Positions"** means any arrangements entered into by the Hedging Entity at any time in order to hedge the payment obligations of the Issuer under the Share Linked Securities including, without limitation, the entry into or maintenance of one or more securities, currency or derivatives positions, stock loan transactions or any other instruments or arrangements (howsoever described).

**"Hedging Entity"** means the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates or any other agents thereof, as shall be determined by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion.

**"Initial Averaging Date"** means, in respect of a Share, each date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms or otherwise determined as provided in the Conditions, subject to adjustment (as an Averaging Reference Date) in accordance with these Share Linked Conditions.

**"Initial Valuation Date"** means, in respect of a Share, each date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms or otherwise determined as provided in the Conditions, subject to adjustment (as a Reference Date) in accordance with these Share Linked Conditions.

**"Insolvency"** means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy, insolvency, dissolution, or winding-up of or any analogous proceeding affecting the Share Issuer, (i) all the Shares of such Share Issuer are required to be transferred to a trustee, liquidator, or other similar official, or (ii) holders of the Shares of such Share Issuer become legally prohibited from transferring them.

**"Last Averaging Date"** means, in respect of a Share, the Averaging Date for the Share scheduled to fall on the date specified as the "Last Averaging Date" in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Last Initial Averaging Date"** means, in respect of a Share, the Initial Averaging Date for the Share scheduled to fall on the date specified as the "Last Initial Averaging Date" in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Latest Reference Date"** means, in respect of a single Share and an Averaging Reference Date or a Reference Date, such Averaging Reference Date or Reference Date, and in respect of a Share Basket and an Averaging Reference Date or a Reference Date (being, for the purposes of this definition, the **"Relevant Reference Date"**):

- (a) if, as a result of the Relevant Reference Date not being a Scheduled Trading Day for one or more Shares or as a result of the occurrence of a Disrupted Day for one or more Shares, the Relevant Reference Date for two or more Shares falls on different dates, the date corresponding to the Relevant Reference Date which is the latest to occur, as determined by the Calculation Agent; or
- (b) if the Relevant Reference Date for all of the Shares falls on the same date (after adjustment, if any, for non-Scheduled Trading Days or Disrupted Days for such Shares), such same date corresponding to the Relevant Reference Date.

**"Market Disruption Event"** means, in respect of a Share, the occurrence or existence of (i) a Trading Disruption, (ii) an Exchange Disruption, which in either case the Calculation Agent determines is

material, at any time during the one-hour period that ends at the relevant Valuation Time, (iii) an Early Closure, (iv) any change in national or international financial, political or economic conditions or currency exchange rates or exchange controls, the effect of which is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, so material and adverse as to make it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the calculation or determination of any amount payable or deliverable under the terms and conditions of the Share Linked Securities, or (v) where the Share is a share of an Exchange Traded Fund, a NAV Temporary Publication Suspension.

**"Maturity Date"** means:

- (a) in respect of Share Linked Instruments other than Nordic Registered Instruments or Euroclear France Registered Instruments, the Scheduled Maturity Date specified in the relevant Final Terms, and if the Relevant Determination Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, the Maturity Date shall instead be the day falling the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Settlement Period Business Days after the Latest Reference Date in respect of the Relevant Determination Date;
- (b) in respect of Share Linked Notes, the Scheduled Maturity Date specified in the relevant Final Terms, and if the Relevant Determination Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, the Maturity Date shall instead be the day falling the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Settlement Period Business Days after the Latest Reference Date in respect of the Relevant Determination Date.

**"Maximum Days of Disruption"** means in respect of Share Linked Securities that relate to:

- (a) a single Share, eight Scheduled Trading Days; or
- (b) a Share Basket and the relevant Final Terms do not specify that "Basket Valuation (Common Scheduled Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day)" to be applicable to any two or more Common Basket Shares, eight Scheduled Trading Days; or
- (c) a Share Basket and the relevant Final Terms specify that "Basket Valuation (Common Scheduled Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day)" to be applicable to any two or more Common Basket Shares, eight Common Scheduled Trading Days,

or, in each case, such other number of Scheduled Trading Days or Common Scheduled Trading Days, as applicable (or other type of days) specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Merger Date"** means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Merger Event"** means, in respect of any relevant Shares, any (i) reclassification or change of such Shares that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all such Shares outstanding to another entity or person, (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger, or binding share exchange of a Share Issuer with or into another entity or person (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger, or binding share exchange in which such Share Issuer is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all of such Shares outstanding), (iii) takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal, or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Shares of the Share Issuer that results in a transfer of, or an irrevocable commitment to transfer, all such Shares (other than such Shares owned or controlled by such other entity or person), or (iv) consolidation, amalgamation, merger, or binding share exchange of the Share Issuer or its subsidiaries with or into another entity in which the Share Issuer is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such Shares outstanding but results in the outstanding Shares (other than Shares owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event collectively representing less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding Shares immediately following such event, in each case if the Merger Date is on or before, (a) in the case of a Security to which Physical Settlement applies, the Physical Settlement Date, or (b) in any other case, the Valuation Date.

**"Modified Postponement"** has the meaning given thereto in Share Linked Condition 1.2(c) (*Single Share and Averaging Reference Dates*) or Share Linked Condition 1.4(c) (*Share Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day*), as applicable.

**"Nationalisation"** means that all the Shares or all or substantially all the assets of the Share Issuer are nationalised, expropriated, or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority, entity, or instrumentality thereof.

**"NAV Publication Suspension"** means that, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the management company of the Exchange Traded Fund, or any other entity who has been delegated the responsibility to publish the net asset value of the Share, has failed to or will fail to, or has not published or will not publish, the net asset value of the Share, and such failure to publish or non-publication will, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, in its sole and absolute discretion, have a material effect on the Securities and will be for more than a short period and/or will not be of a temporary nature.

**"NAV Temporary Publication Suspension"** means that, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the management company of the Exchange Traded Fund, or any other entity who has been delegated the responsibility to publish the net asset value of each Share, fails to or does not publish, the net asset value of each Share, and such failure to publish or non-publication will, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, in its sole and absolute discretion, have a material effect on the Securities.

**"No Adjustment"** has the meaning given thereto in Share Linked Condition 1.1(c) (*Single Share and Reference Dates*), Share Linked Condition 1.2(d) (*Single Share and Averaging Reference Dates*), Share Linked Condition 1.3(c) (*Share Basket and Reference Dates – Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day*), Share Linked Condition 1.4(d) (*Share Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day*), Share Linked Condition 1.5(b) (*Share Basket and Reference Dates – Common Scheduled Trading Day but Individual Disrupted Day*) and Share Linked Condition 1.6(c) (*Share Basket and Reference Dates – Common Scheduled Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day*), as applicable.

**"Observation Date (closing valuation)"** means, in respect of a Share and an Observation Period, each Scheduled Trading Day which is not a Disrupted Day for such Share falling in the Observation Period.

**"Observation Date (intra-day valuation)"** means, in respect of a Share and an Observation Period, each day falling in the Observation Period that is a trading day for such Share regardless of whether such day is a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for such Share.

**"Observation Period"** means, in respect of a Share, the period commencing on the relevant Observation Period Start Date and ending on the relevant Observation Period End Date.

**"Observation Period End Date"** means, in respect of a Share, the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, which shall be the last day of the relevant Observation Period.

**"Observation Period Start Date"** means, in respect of a Share, the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, which shall be the first day of the relevant Observation Period.

**"Omission"** has the meaning given thereto in Share Linked Condition 1.2(a) (*Single Share and Averaging Reference Dates*) or Share Linked Condition 1.4(a) (*Share Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day*), as applicable.

**"Options Exchange"** means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, any successor to such exchange or quotation system or any substitute exchange or quotation system, to which trading in options contracts relating to the relevant Share has temporarily relocated (provided that the Calculation Agent has determined that there is comparable liquidity relative to such options contracts on such temporary substitute exchange or quotation system as on the original Options Exchange) or, if no such exchange or quotation system is specified in the relevant Final Terms, the Related Exchange (if such Related Exchange trades options contracts relating to the relevant Share) or, if more than one such Related Exchange is specified in the relevant Final Terms, the Related Exchange selected by the Calculation Agent as the primary market for listed options contracts relating to the relevant Share.

**"Postponement"** has the meaning given thereto in Share Linked Condition 1.2(b) (*Single Share and Averaging Reference Dates*) or Share Linked Condition 1.4(b) (*Share Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day*), as applicable.

**"Potential Adjustment Event"** means

- (a) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Shares (unless resulting in a Merger Event) or a free distribution or dividend of any such Shares to existing holders of the Shares by way of bonus, capitalisation, or similar issue;
- (b) a distribution, issue, or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Shares of (i) such Shares, or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the Share Issuer equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Shares, or (iii) share capital or other securities of another issuer acquired or owned (directly or indirectly) by the Share Issuer as a result of a spin-off or other similar transaction, or (iv) any other type of securities, rights, or warrants, or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or in other consideration) at less than the prevailing market price, all as determined by the Calculation Agent;
- (c) an Extraordinary Dividend;
- (d) a call by a Share Issuer in respect of relevant Shares that are not fully paid;
- (e) a repurchase by a Share Issuer or any of its subsidiaries of relevant Shares whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities, or otherwise;
- (f) in respect of a Share Issuer, an event that results in any shareholder rights being distributed or becoming separated from shares of common stock or other shares of the capital stock of such Share Issuer pursuant to a shareholder rights plan or arrangement directed against hostile takeovers that provides upon the occurrence of certain events for a distribution of preferred stock, warrants, debt instruments, or stock rights at a price below their market value, as determined by the Calculation Agent, provided that any adjustment effected as a result of such an event shall be readjusted upon any redemption of such rights; or
- (g) any other event having a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Shares, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Reference Date"** means, in respect of a Share, each Initial Valuation Date or Valuation Date, in each case, subject to adjustment in accordance with these Share Linked Conditions.

**"Related Exchange"** means, in respect of a Share, each exchange or quotation system, if any, specified in the relevant Final Terms, any successor to such exchange or quotation system or any substitute exchange or quotation system to which trading in futures or options contracts relating to such Share has temporarily relocated (provided that the Calculation Agent has determined that there is comparable liquidity relative to the futures or options contracts relating to such Share on such temporary substitute exchange or quotation system as on the original Related Exchange), provided, however, that where **"All Exchanges"** is specified as the Related Exchange, **"Related Exchange"** shall mean each exchange or quotation system (as determined by the Calculation Agent) where trading has a material effect (as determined by the Calculation Agent) on the overall market for futures or options contracts relating to such Share or, in any such case, any transferee or successor exchange of such exchange or quotation system (provided that the Calculation Agent has determined that there is comparable liquidity relative to the futures or options contracts relating to such Share on such temporary substitute exchange or quotation system as on the original Related Exchange).

**"Relevant Date"** has the meaning given thereto in Share Linked Condition 2 (*Fallback Valuation Date*).

**"Scheduled Averaging Date"** means, in respect of a Share, any original date that, but for such day not being a Scheduled Trading Day for such Share or for such day being a Disrupted Day for such Share, would have been an Averaging Date.

**"Scheduled Averaging Reference Date"** means, in respect of a Share, each Scheduled Averaging Date or Scheduled Initial Averaging Date.

**"Scheduled Closing Time"** means, in respect of a Share and in respect of an Exchange or Related Exchange and a Scheduled Trading Day, the scheduled weekday closing time of such Exchange or Related Exchange on such Scheduled Trading Day, without regard to after hours or any other trading outside of the regular trading session hours.

**"Scheduled Initial Averaging Date"** means, in respect of a Share, any original date that, but for such day not being a Scheduled Trading Day for such Share or for such day being a Disrupted Day for such Share, would have been an Initial Averaging Date.

**"Scheduled Initial Valuation Date"** means, in respect of a Share, any original date that, but for such day not being a Scheduled Trading Day for such Share or for such day being a Disrupted Day for such Share, would have been an Initial Valuation Date.

**"Scheduled Reference Date"** means, in respect of a Share, each Scheduled Initial Valuation Date or Scheduled Valuation Date.

**"Scheduled Trading Day"** means, in respect of a Share, any day on which each Exchange and each Related Exchange for such Share specified in the relevant Final Terms are scheduled to be open for trading for their respective regular trading sessions.

**"Scheduled Valuation Date"** means, in respect of a Share, any original date that, but for such day not being a Scheduled Trading Day for such Share or for such day being a Disrupted Day for such Share, would have been a Valuation Date.

**"Settlement Cycle"** means, in respect of a Share, the period of Share Clearance System Business Days following a trade in the Share on the Exchange in which settlement will customarily occur according to the rules of such Exchange.

**"Settlement Disruption Event"** means, in respect of a Share, an event that the Calculation Agent determines is beyond the control of the Issuer and/or its affiliates as a result of which the relevant Share Clearance System cannot clear the transfer of such Share.

**"Share"** means, in respect of an issue of Share Linked Securities relating to a single Share, the share (including the share of an Exchange Traded Fund), and in respect of an issue of Share Linked Securities relating to a Share Basket, each share (including the share of each Exchange Traded Fund), in each case, as specified in the relevant Final Terms, and related expressions shall be construed accordingly.

**"Share Basket"** means a basket composed of Shares in the relative proportions or numbers of Shares, as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Share Clearance System"** means, in respect of a Share, the principal domestic clearance system customarily used for settling trades in the relevant Shares on any relevant date.

**"Share Clearance System Business Day"** means, in respect of a Share Clearance System, any day on which such Share Clearance System is (or, but for the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event, would have been) open for the acceptance and execution of settlement instructions, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Share Currency"** means, in respect of a Share, the currency specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, or if not specified, the currency in which the relevant price of the Share is denominated.

**"Share Issuer"** means, in respect of a Share, the issuer of such Share, as specified in the relevant Final Terms (or as may otherwise be determined by the Calculation Agent).

**"Share Linked Securities"** means Share Linked Notes or Share Linked Instruments, as the case may be.

**"Share Price"** means, in respect of a Share, the price of the Share as of the relevant time on the relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Substitute Shares"** has the meaning given thereto in Share Linked Condition 3.2(d) (*Occurrence of an Extraordinary Event*).

**"Substitution Date"** has the meaning given thereto in Share Linked Condition 3.2(d)(i) (*Occurrence of an Extraordinary Event*).

**"Successor Fund"** has the meaning given thereto in Share Linked Condition 6 (*Delisting, Discontinuance or Modification of a Share that is a share of an Exchange Traded Fund*).

**"Tender Offer"** means a takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal, or other event by any entity or person that results in such entity or person purchasing, or otherwise obtaining, or having the right to obtain, by conversion or other means, greater than 10 per cent. and less than 100 per cent. of the outstanding voting shares of a Share Issuer, as determined by the Calculation Agent, based upon the making of filings with governmental or self-regulatory agencies or such other information as the Calculation Agent determines to be relevant.

**"Tender Offer Date"** means, in respect of a Tender Offer, or, the date on which voting Shares in the amount of the applicable percentage threshold are actually purchased or otherwise obtained, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Trading Disruption"** means, in respect of a Share, any suspension of, or limitation imposed on, trading by the relevant Exchange or Related Exchange or otherwise, and whether by reason of movements in price exceeding limits permitted by the relevant Exchange or Related Exchange or otherwise, (i) relating to the Share on the relevant Exchange or (ii) in futures or options contracts relating to the Share on any relevant Related Exchange.

**"Valid Date"** means a Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day and on which another Averaging Reference Date does not or is not deemed to occur.

**"Valuation Date"** means, in respect of a Share, each date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms or otherwise determined as provided in the Conditions, subject to adjustment (as a Reference Date) in accordance with these Share Linked Conditions.

**"Valuation Time"** means the time in the place as specified in the relevant Final Terms, unless **"Default Valuation Time"** is specified in the relevant Final Terms, in which case the "Valuation Time" means the Scheduled Closing Time on the relevant Exchange on the relevant day in relation to each Share to be valued. If the relevant Exchange closes prior to its Scheduled Closing Time and the specified Valuation Time is after the actual closing time for its regular trading session, then the Valuation Time shall be such actual closing time.

## INTRODUCTION TO THE INDEX LINKED CONDITIONS

*The following introduction to, and overview of, the Index Linked Conditions is a description and overview only of the actual Index Linked Conditions set forth herein, and is intended to be a guide only to potential purchasers to facilitate a general understanding of such provisions. Accordingly, this overview must be read as an introduction only to the actual Index Linked Conditions and any decisions to purchase in Index Linked Securities should be based on a consideration of the Base Prospectus as a whole, including the actual Index Linked Conditions (as may be completed by the relevant Final Terms).*

### Payments, Scheduled Trading Days and Disrupted Days

There are two types of Indices:

- **Unitary** – the underlying Components (typically Shares) are deemed to trade on a single Exchange; and
- **Multi-Exchange** – the underlying Components (typically Shares) are deemed to trade on more than one Exchange.

Payments (whether in respect of principal or interest and whether at maturity or otherwise) in respect of Index Linked Securities will be calculated by reference to the level of a single Index or the level of one or more Indices in an Index Basket or a formula based upon the level of one or more Indices at a specified time or times on one or more Reference Dates or Averaging Reference Dates (as set out in the Final Terms).

However, it may not be possible, practical or desirable for the Calculation Agent to determine the level of an Index at a specified time on a Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date if such date is (i) not a Scheduled Trading Day or (ii) a Disrupted Day.

**Scheduled Trading Day** has different meanings for different types of Indices:

- **Unitary** – a day on which each **Exchange** (on which the underlying Components trade), and each specified **Related Exchange** (on which trading in futures or options contracts relating to such Index occurs), are scheduled to be open; and
- **Multi-Exchange** – a day on which the Index Sponsor is scheduled to publish the **Index Level** and on which the specified Related Exchange is scheduled to be open.

**Disrupted Day** has different meanings for different types of Indices:

- **Unitary** – a Scheduled Trading Day on which the Exchange or any Related Exchange fails to open or is otherwise subject to a Market Disruption Event during such day; and
- **Multi-Exchange** – a Scheduled Trading Day on which (i) the Index Sponsor fails to publish the Index Level, (ii) the Related Exchange fails to open or (iii) a Market Disruption Event has occurred during such day.

**Market Disruption Events** has different meanings for different types of Indices:

- **Unitary** – can be classified broadly as the occurrence or existence of the following events:
  - (i) an **Early Closure**, which is an unannounced closure of (i) the Exchange relating to the Shares that comprise 20 per cent. of the Index or (ii) any Related Exchange;
  - (ii) an **Exchange Disruption**, which is a material event (other than an Early Closure) that disrupts the ability of market participants effecting transactions in, or obtaining market values, during the one-hour period before the valuation time (typically the closing time), for, (i) the Shares that comprise 20 per cent. of the Index Level or (ii) futures or options contracts relating to such Index on any relevant Related Exchange; and

- (iii) a **Trading Disruption**, which is the suspension of, or limitation imposed on, trading, by the Exchange relating to the Shares or by the Related Exchange relating to the Shares that comprise 20 per cent. of the Index Level on the Exchange or by the Related Exchange relating to the futures and options contracts.
- **Multi-Exchange** – can be classified broadly as the occurrence or existence of the following events:

EITHER

  - (i) an **Early Closure**, which is an unannounced closure of (i) the Exchange relating to any Share or (ii) the Related Exchange;
  - (ii) an **Exchange Disruption** is a material event (other than an Early Closure) that disrupts the ability of market participants effecting transactions in, or obtaining market values, during the one-hour period before the valuation time (typically the closing time), for, (i) any Share, or (ii) futures or options contracts relating to such Index on any relevant Related Exchange; and
  - (iii) a **Trading Disruption**, which is the suspension of, or limitation imposed on, trading, during the one-hour period before the valuation time (typically the closing time), by the Exchange relating to the Shares or by the Related Exchange relating to the futures and options contracts

AND the aggregate number of Shares affected by such events comprises 20 per cent. of the Index Level,

OR

  - (iv) the occurrence, relating to futures or options contracts relating to such Index, of an Early Closure, Exchange Disruption which is material at any time during the one hour period before the Valuation Time (typically the closing time), or Trading Disruption
  - (iv) an Early Closure, Exchange Disruption or Trading Disruption relating to futures or options contracts relating to such Index occurs, which is material.
- Any change in conditions or controls which make it impracticable to determine the amount payable.

#### **Potential Postponement of Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date**

In the circumstances described above, the Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date may, or may not, be postponed until a day on which the level of the relevant Index is published or can otherwise be determined by the Calculation Agent, subject to a long-stop date (designated by reference to the term "**Maximum Days of Disruption**") by which a level must be determined for the purpose of calculating the payments in respect of the Index Linked Securities.

The occurrence of a Scheduled Trading Day or a Disrupted Day may differ in respect of two or more Indices in an Index Basket, and in such circumstances, the Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date for such Indices may remain different or may be postponed so that each Index in the Index Basket has the same Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date.

#### **Overview of Consequences**

The Index Linked Conditions define the circumstances in which the determination of a level of an Index or Indices may be postponed and stipulate how such level or levels should be determined by reference to Index Linked Securities that relate to a single Index or an Index Basket and Reference Dates or Averaging Reference Dates.

The following overviews set out the default consequence in respect of each type of Index Linked Security if the Scheduled Reference Date or Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, though such overviews are subject to, and must be read in conjunction with, the more detailed contents of the Index Linked Conditions.



### Calculation Agent Determinations and Calculations

The Calculation Agent, which will be Goldman Sachs International (unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms), may be required to make certain determinations and calculations pursuant to the Index Linked Conditions relating to, among others, the occurrence of a Scheduled Trading Day or a Disrupted Day, the calculation of an Index Level, the methodology of a replacement index, the occurrence, and materiality, or of an Index Adjustment Event (such term is described below), adjustments to the terms and conditions of Index Linked Securities following the occurrence of such events and the calculation of early redemption amounts. In all circumstances, the Calculation Agent must make such determinations and calculations in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner.

#### Single Index and Reference Date

- (a) Unless specified otherwise, the Reference Date will be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, with a standard long-stop date of eight Scheduled Trading Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the Index Level.
- (b) The Final Terms may, however, specify that no adjustment should be made in the event of a Disrupted Day occurring on the Scheduled Reference Date and that the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level on the Scheduled Reference Date.

#### Single Index and Averaging Reference Date

There are four options that can be specified in the relevant Final Terms:

- (a) **Omission** – the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is discarded from the valuation process, provided that there must be at least one Averaging Reference Date, upon which an Index Level can be determined, otherwise the sole Averaging Reference Date shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day following the final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date, with a standard long-stop date of eight Scheduled Trading Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the Index Level.
- (b) **Postponement** – the Averaging Reference Date in respect of a Scheduled Averaging Reference Date will be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, with a standard long-stop date of eight Scheduled Trading Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the Index Level.
- (c) **Modified Postponement** – the Averaging Reference Date will be the first succeeding **Valid Date**, i.e. a Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day and is not another Averaging Reference Date, subject to a standard long-stop date of eight Scheduled Trading Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the Index Level.
- (d) **No Adjustment** - the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level on the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date.

The Final Terms in respect of Index Linked Securities that are linked to an Index Basket will specify which of the following elections will be applicable.

#### Index Basket and Reference Dates – Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day

- (a) If the Scheduled Reference Date for an Index is a Scheduled Trading Day and not a Disrupted Day, then the Scheduled Reference Date will be the Reference Date for such Index.
- (b) If the Scheduled Reference Date for an Index is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, then the Reference Date will be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, with a standard long-stop date of eight Scheduled Trading Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the Index Level, provided that, if the Final Terms specify that no adjustment should be made, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level on the Scheduled Reference Date.

### **Index Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day**

If the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for any Share is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, then one of the following four options may be selected:

- (a) **Omission** – the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is discarded from the valuation process, provided that there must be at least one Averaging Reference Date, upon which each Index Level in the Index Basket can be determined: (i) if the final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for an Index is a Scheduled Trading Day and is not a Disrupted Day, then the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date will be the Averaging Reference Date for such Index, and (ii) if the final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for an Index is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, then the standard eight Scheduled Trading Day postponement provisions will apply to the final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the Index Level.
- (b) **Postponement** – (i) if the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for an Index is a Scheduled Trading Day and is not a Disrupted Day, then the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date will be the Averaging Reference Date for such Index, and (ii) if the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for an Index is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, the Averaging Reference Date for such Index will be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, a long-stop date of eight Scheduled Trading Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the Index Level.
- (c) **Modified Postponement** – (i) if the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for an Index is a Scheduled Trading Day and is not a Disrupted Day, then the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date will be the Averaging Reference Date for such Index, and (ii) if the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for an Index is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, the Averaging Reference Date for such Index will be the first Valid Date, i.e. a Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day and is not another Averaging Reference Date, subject to a long-stop date of eight Scheduled Trading Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the Index Level.
- (d) **No Adjustment** – the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for an Index will be the Averaging Reference Date for such Index, and the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level on the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date.

### **Index Basket and Reference Dates – Common Scheduled Trading Day but Individual Disrupted Day**

- (a) If the Scheduled Reference Date for **each** Index is a Scheduled Trading Day (the "**Common Scheduled Trading Day**") and not a Disrupted Day, then the Scheduled Reference Date will be the Reference Date for **each** Index.
- (b) (I) If the Scheduled Reference Date is a Common Scheduled Trading Day but is a Disrupted Day for one or more Indices, or (II) if the Scheduled Reference Date is not a Common Scheduled Trading Day, in which case the Reference Date for **each** Index will be first succeeding Common Scheduled Trading Day, provided that,
  - (i) if the Common Scheduled Trading Day for an Index is not a Disrupted Day, then the Common Scheduled Trading Day will be the Reference Date for such Index; and
  - (ii) if the Common Scheduled Trading Day for an Index is a Disrupted Day, then the Reference Date for such Index will be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, with a standard long-stop date of eight Scheduled Trading Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the Index Level, provided that, if the Final Terms specify that no adjustment should be made, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level on the Scheduled Reference Date.

### **Index Basket and Reference Dates – Common Scheduled Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day**

- (a) If the Scheduled Reference Date for **each** Index is a Scheduled Trading Day and not a Disrupted Day, then the Scheduled Reference Date will be the Reference Date for **each** Index.
- (b) If the Scheduled Reference Date for **any** Index is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, then the Reference Date for **each** Index will be first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is a Scheduled Trading Day for **each** Index (the "**Common Scheduled Trading Day**"), which is not a Disrupted Day for **any** Index, unless each of the eight consecutive Common Scheduled Trading Days is a Disrupted Day for **any** Index. In such circumstances:
  - (i) the last consecutive Common Scheduled Trading Day shall be the Reference Date for each Index;
  - (ii) if the last consecutive Common Scheduled Trading Day for an Index is not a Disrupted Day, then such Index Level will be determined by reference to the relevant screen pages; and
  - (iii) if the last consecutive Common Scheduled Trading Day for an Index is a Disrupted Day, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level,

provided that, if the relevant Final Terms specify that no adjustment should be made, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level on the Scheduled Reference Date.

### **Adjustments to terms of Index Linked Securities**

Following the occurrence of an Index Adjustment Event or Change in Law specified as applicable in the relevant Final Terms, the Calculation Agent may determine itself the Index Level or make adjustments to the terms of the Index Linked Securities and calculations as described in the Conditions and/or the Index Linked Securities may be redeemed early.

**Index Adjustment Event** includes (i) **Index Modification**, which means that the relevant Index Sponsor makes a material non-prescribed change in the formula or composition of the Index; (ii) **Index Cancellation**, which means that the Index has been cancelled and no successor exists; or (iii) **Index Disruption**, which means that the relevant Index Sponsor fails to calculate and announce the Index (though this may be deemed to be a Disrupted Day by the Calculation Agent).

**Change in Law** results in the Issuer incurring material costs for performing its obligations under the Index Linked Securities.

### **Index-Linked Derivatives Contracts on Indices**

Payments (whether in respect of principal or interest and whether at maturity or otherwise) in respect of certain Securities may be calculated by reference to, or a formula based upon, the Final Settlement Price or the Daily Settlement Price of a single Index-Linked Derivatives Contract relating to an Index, with an expiration date that matches the maturity date of such Securities, published by the exchange or quotation system in respect of such Index-Linked Derivatives Contract, on one or more Reference Dates or Averaging Reference Dates (as set out in the Final Terms).

If the relevant Final Terms specify that "Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions" shall be applicable:

If neither the Final Settlement Price nor the Daily Settlement Price is published on the Scheduled Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date, then the Securities may be calculated by reference to, or a formula based upon, the index level of the related Index and the relevant Index Linked Conditions, as described above, will apply.

Following the occurrence of an Index Modification in respect of an Index, the Calculation Agent shall (if "Calculation Agent Adjustment" is specified in the relevant Final Terms) determine if such Index Modification has a material effect on the Index Linked Securities and, if so, may in its discretion take

one of, or both of, or neither of, the following actions: (i) continue to calculate the relevant Index Level using the published level for such Index; and/or (ii) make the appropriate adjustments, if any, to any one or more of the terms of the Index Linked Securities, including, without limitation, any variable or term relevant to the settlement or payment under the Index Linked Securities, as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate.

**Early Redemption pursuant to the occurrence of an Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Adjustment Event or a Change in Law**

Following the determination by the Calculation Agent that an Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Adjustment Event or a Change in Law has occurred, the Calculation Agent will make the adjustments to the terms of the Securities and/or the Securities may be redeemed early.

**Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Adjustment Event** means that any term of the relevant Index-Linked Derivatives Contract is changed or modified by the Derivatives Exchange (including if it is permanently discontinued) and such change or modification could have a material effect on the Securities.

**Change in Law** results in the relevant Issuer incurring material costs for performing its obligations under the Securities.

## INDEX LINKED CONDITIONS

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7.     **Definitions**

These Index Linked Provisions shall apply to Instruments for which the relevant Final Terms specify that the Index Linked Instruments are applicable and to Notes for which the relevant Final Terms specify that the Index Linked Notes are applicable.

**1. Consequences of Non-Scheduled Trading Days, Non-Common Scheduled Trading Days or Disrupted Days**

**1.1 Single Index and Reference Dates**

Where the Index Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to a single Index, and if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date in respect of such Index is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, then the Reference Date for such Index shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day in respect of such Index, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption in respect of such Index immediately following such Scheduled Reference Date is a Disrupted Day for such Index. In that case:

- (a) that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Reference Date for such Index, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day for such Index; and
- (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level of such Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of the first Disrupted Day, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day) and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (b) shall be deemed to be the Index Level at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date),

provided that,

- (c) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then the Reference Date for such Index shall be the Scheduled Reference Date, notwithstanding the fact that the Scheduled Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for such Index, and the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level of such Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of such Reference Date, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on such Reference Date, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date) and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (c) shall be deemed to be the Index Level at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date.

**1.2 Single Index and Averaging Reference Dates**

Where the Index Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to a single Index, and, if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Averaging Reference Date in respect of such Index is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day and, if the relevant Final Terms specify:

- (a) "**Omission**" to be applicable, then such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date will be deemed not to be a relevant Averaging Reference Date, provided that, if through the operation of this provision there would not be any Averaging Reference Dates, then the Averaging Reference Date for such Index shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day following the final

Scheduled Averaging Reference Date that the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day in respect of such Index, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption in respect of such Index immediately following such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is a Disrupted Day for such Index. In that case:

- (i) that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for such Index, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day for such Index; and
  - (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level of such Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of the first Disrupted Day, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day) and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (ii) shall be deemed to be the Index Level at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date);
- (b) **"Postponement"** to be applicable, then the relevant Averaging Reference Date for such Index shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date that the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day for such Index, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption in respect of such Index immediately following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is a Disrupted Day for such Index. In that case:
- (i) that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for such Index, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day for such Index; and
  - (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level of such Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of the first Disrupted Day, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day) and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (ii) shall be deemed to be the Index Level at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date. For the avoidance of doubt, an Averaging Reference Date determined in accordance with this Index Linked Condition 1.2 in respect of a Scheduled Averaging Reference Date may fall on the same day that another Averaging Reference Date in respect of another Scheduled Averaging Reference Date falls, whether or not such latter Averaging Reference Date was also determined in accordance with this Index Linked Condition 1.2;
- (c) **"Modified Postponement"** to be applicable, then the relevant Averaging Reference Date shall be the first succeeding Valid Date. If the first succeeding Valid Date has not occurred as of the relevant Valuation Time on the consecutive Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption immediately following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date that, but for the occurrence of another Averaging Reference Date or a Disrupted Day for such Index, would have been the relevant Averaging Reference Date, then:

- (i) that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for such Index, notwithstanding the fact that such day is already an Averaging Reference Date or is a Disrupted Day for such Index; and
- (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level of such Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of the first Disrupted Day, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day) and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (ii) shall be deemed to be the Index Level at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date),

provided that,

- (d) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then the relevant Averaging Reference Date for such Index shall be such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date, notwithstanding the fact that such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for such Index, and the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level of such Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Averaging Reference Date in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of such Averaging Reference Date, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Averaging Reference Date of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on such Averaging Reference Date, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Averaging Reference Date) and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (d) shall be deemed to be the Index Level at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date);
- (e) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day in respect of such Index and, the relevant Final Terms do not specify the consequence, then "**Postponement**" will apply.

**1.3 Index Basket and Reference Dates - Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day**

Where the Index Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to an Index Basket and such Final Terms specify "**Basket Valuation (Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day)**" to be applicable to the Indices, and, if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date in respect of any Index in the Index Basket is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for such Index, then:

- (a) if the Calculation Agent determines that such Scheduled Reference Date for an Index is a Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, then the Reference Date for such Index shall be such Scheduled Reference Date;
- (b) if the Calculation Agent determines that such Scheduled Reference Date for an Index is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, then the Reference Date for such Index shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day which the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day for such Index, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption immediately following such Scheduled Reference Date is a Disrupted Day for such Index. In that case:



- (i) that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Reference Date for such Index, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day for such Index; and
- (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level of such Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of the first Disrupted Day, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day) and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (ii) shall be deemed to be the Index Level at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of such Reference Date),

provided that,

- (c) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then the Reference Date for such Index shall be the Scheduled Reference Date, notwithstanding the fact that such Scheduled Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for such Index, and the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level of such Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of such Reference Date, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on such Reference Date, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date) and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (c) shall be deemed to be the Index Level at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date;

#### 1.4 **Index Basket and Averaging Reference Dates - Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day**

Where the Index Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to an Index Basket and such Final Terms specify "**Basket Valuation (Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day)**" to be applicable to the Indices, and, if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Averaging Reference Date in respect of any Index in the Index Basket is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for such Index and:

- (a) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**Omission**" to be applicable, such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date will be deemed not to be a relevant Averaging Reference Date for each Index in the Index Basket, provided that, if through the operation of this provision there would not be any Averaging Reference Dates, then the sole Averaging Reference Date for such Indices shall be determined by reference to the final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date as follows:
  - (i) for each Index in the Index Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is a Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, the Averaging Reference Date for such Index shall be such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date; and
  - (ii) for each Index in the Index Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, then the Averaging Reference Date for such Index shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day following the final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date that the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day in respect of such

Index, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption in respect of such Index immediately following such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is a Disrupted Day for such Index. In that case:

- (A) that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for such Index, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day for such Index; and
- (B) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level of such Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day) and, in respect of each Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (B) shall be deemed to be the Index Level at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date);

(b) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**Postponement**" to be applicable, then:

- (i) for each Index in the Index Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is a Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, the Averaging Reference Date for such Index shall be such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date; and
- (ii) for each Index in the Index Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, then the Averaging Reference Date for such Index shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date that the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day in respect of such Index, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption in respect of such Index immediately following such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is a Disrupted Day for such Index. In that case:
  - (A) that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for such Index, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day for such Index; and
  - (B) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level of such Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day) and, in respect of each Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (B) shall be deemed to be the Index Level at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date). For the avoidance of doubt, an Averaging Reference Date determined in accordance with this Index Linked Condition 1.4 in respect of a Scheduled Averaging Reference Date may

fall on the same day that another Averaging Reference Date in respect of another Scheduled Averaging Reference Date falls, whether or not such latter Averaging Reference Date was also determined in accordance with this Index Linked Condition 1.4;

- (c) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**Modified Postponement**" to be applicable, then:
- (i) for each Index in the Index Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is a Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day, the Averaging Reference Date for such Index shall be such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date; and
  - (ii) for each Index in the Index Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day, the relevant Averaging Reference Date shall be the first succeeding Valid Date for such Index. If the first succeeding Valid Date for such Index has not occurred as of the relevant Valuation Time on the consecutive Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption immediately following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date that, but for the occurrence of another Averaging Reference Date or a Disrupted Day for such Index, would have been the relevant Averaging Reference Date, then:
    - (A) that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for such Index, notwithstanding the fact that such day is already an Averaging Reference Date or is a Disrupted Day for such Index; and
    - (B) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level of such Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day, using, the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day) and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (B) shall be deemed to be the Index Level at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date),

provided that,

- (d) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then the Averaging Reference Date for each Index in the Index Basket shall be such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date, notwithstanding the fact that such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for such Index, and the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level of such Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Averaging Reference Date in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of such Averaging Reference Date, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Averaging Reference Date of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on such Averaging Reference Date, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Averaging Reference Date) and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (d) shall be deemed to be the Index Level at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date); and

- (e) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day in respect of any Index in the Index Basket and, the relevant Final Terms do not specify the consequence, then "**Postponement**" will apply.

**1.5 Index Basket and Reference Dates - Common Scheduled Trading Day but Individual Disrupted Day**

Where the Index Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to an Index Basket and such Final Terms specify "**Basket Valuation (Common Scheduled Trading Day but Individual Disrupted Day)**" to be applicable to any two or more Indices (such Indices being "**Common Basket Indices**" and each a "**Common Basket Index**" for the purposes of this Index Linked Condition 1.5), the following provisions shall apply:

- (a) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date is a Common Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day for each Common Basket Index, then the Reference Date for each Common Basket Index shall be such Scheduled Reference Date;
- (b) if (I) the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date is a Common Scheduled Trading Day but is a Disrupted Day for one or more Common Basket Indices, or (II) the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day for any Common Basket Index, in which case the Reference Date for each Common Basket Index shall be the first succeeding Common Scheduled Trading Day following such Scheduled Reference Date, provided that if such Common Scheduled Trading Day is a Disrupted Day for one or more Common Basket Indices, then, in respect of (I) and (II), the following provisions shall apply:
  - (i) if the Calculation Agent determines that such Common Scheduled Trading Day is not a Disrupted Day for a Common Basket Index, then the Reference Date for such Common Basket Index shall be such Common Scheduled Trading Day; and
  - (ii) if the Calculation Agent determines that such Common Scheduled Trading Day is a Disrupted Day for a Common Basket Index, then the Reference Date for such Common Basket Index shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day which the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day for such Common Basket Index, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption immediately following such Common Scheduled Trading Day is a Disrupted Day for such Common Basket Index. In that case:
    - (A) that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Reference Date for such Common Basket Index, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day for such Common Basket Index; and
    - (B) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level of such Common Basket Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Common Basket Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of the first Disrupted Day, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day) and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (B) shall be deemed to be the Index Level at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date),

provided that,

- (iii) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then the Reference Date for each Common Basket Index shall be such Scheduled Reference Date, notwithstanding the fact that such Scheduled Reference Date is not a Common Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for any Common Basket Index, and the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level of such Common Basket Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of such Reference Date, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on such Reference Date, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date) and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (iii) shall be deemed to be the Index Level at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date.

#### 1.6 **Index Basket and Reference Dates – Common Scheduled Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day**

Where the Index Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to an Index Basket and such Final Terms specify "**Basket Valuation (Common Scheduled Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day)**" to be applicable to any two or more Indices (such Indices being "**Common Basket Indices**" and each a "**Common Basket Index**" for the purposes of this Index Linked Condition 1.6), the following provisions shall apply:

- (a) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date is a Common Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day for any Common Basket Index, then the Reference Date for each Common Basket Index shall be such Scheduled Reference Date;
- (b) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day for any Common Basket Index or is a Common Scheduled Trading Day and a Disrupted Day for any Common Basket Index, then the Reference Date for each Common Basket Index shall be the first succeeding Common Scheduled Trading Day following such Scheduled Reference Date which the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day for any Common Basket Index, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Common Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption immediately following such Scheduled Reference Date is a Disrupted Day for one or more Common Basket Indices. In that case:
  - (i) that last consecutive Common Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be such Reference Date for each Common Basket Index, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day for one or more Common Basket Indices, (such Common Basket Indices being "**Affected Common Basket Indices**" for such Reference Date, and each such Common Basket Index being an "**Affected Common Basket Index**" for such Reference Date);
  - (ii) for each Common Basket Index other than an Affected Common Basket Index, the relevant Index Level shall be determined by reference to the relevant screen pages by the Calculation Agent at the applicable Valuation Time on such last consecutive Common Scheduled Trading Day; and
  - (iii) for each Affected Common Basket Index, the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level of such Affected Common Basket Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Affected Common Basket Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of the first Disrupted Day, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day, its

good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day) and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (iii) shall be deemed to be the Index Level at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of such Reference Date),

provided that,

- (c) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then the Reference Date for each Common Basket Index shall be such Scheduled Reference Date, notwithstanding the fact that such Scheduled Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for such Index, and the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level of such Common Basket Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of such Reference Date, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on such Reference Date, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date) and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (c) shall be deemed to be the Index Level at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date.

## 2. **Fallback Valuation Date**

Notwithstanding any other terms of these Index Linked Conditions (subject as provided in Index Linked Condition 7.3(b) if the relevant Final Terms specify that the "Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions" to be applicable), if a Fallback Valuation Date is specified in the relevant Final Terms to be applicable to any Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date (any such date being, for the purposes of this Index Linked Condition 2, a "**Relevant Date**") for an Index, and if, following adjustment of such Relevant Date pursuant to Index Linked Condition 1 (*Consequences of Non-Scheduled Trading Days, Non-Common Scheduled Trading Days or Disrupted Days*) above (for the purposes of this Index Linked Condition 2, an "**Affected Index**") the Relevant Date would otherwise fall after the specified Fallback Valuation Date in respect of such Affected Index, then such Fallback Valuation Date shall be deemed to be such Relevant Date for such Affected Index.

If such Fallback Valuation Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day or a Common Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day in respect of such Affected Index, as the case may be, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the Index Level of such Affected Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Fallback Valuation Date in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Affected Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of the first Disrupted Day, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Fallback Valuation Date of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on such Fallback Valuation Date, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Fallback Valuation Date) and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this Index Linked Condition 2 shall be deemed to be the Index Level at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date.

## 3. **Adjustments**

### 3.1 **Successor Index Sponsor or Successor Index**

If an Index is (i) not calculated and announced by the Index Sponsor but is calculated and announced by a successor index sponsor acceptable to the Calculation Agent (a "**Successor Index Sponsor**") or (ii) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for, and method of, calculation

as used in the calculation of such Index, then in each case such index (the "**Successor Index**") will be deemed to be the Index.

### 3.2 Occurrence of an Index Adjustment Event

If the Calculation Agent determines in respect of an Index that, (i) on or prior to any Reference Date, Averaging Reference Date, Observation Date or other relevant date, the relevant Index Sponsor or Successor Index Sponsor, if applicable, makes or announces that it will make a material change in the formula for, or the method of, calculating a relevant Index, or in any other way materially modifies such Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain such Index in the event of changes in the Components, capitalisation and/or other routine events) (an "**Index Modification**"), or permanently cancels a relevant Index and no Successor Index exists as at the date of such cancellation (an "**Index Cancellation**"), or (ii) on any Reference Date, Averaging Reference Date, Observation Date or other relevant date, the Index Sponsor or Successor Index Sponsor, if applicable, fails to calculate and announce a relevant Index (an "**Index Disruption**" (provided that, in respect of a Multi-Exchange Index, the Calculation Agent may, in its discretion, determine that such event instead results in the occurrence of a Disrupted Day), and, if in the relevant Final Terms the consequence specified in respect of any such Index Adjustment Event is:

- (a) "**Calculation Agent Adjustment**", then the Calculation Agent shall determine if such Index Adjustment Event has a material effect on the Index Linked Securities and, if so, shall calculate the relevant Index Level using, in lieu of a published level for that Index, the level for such Index as at the Valuation Time on that Reference Date, Averaging Reference Date, Observation Date or other relevant date, as the case may be, as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for, and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the relevant Index Adjustment Event, but using only those Components that comprised such Index immediately prior to such Index Adjustment Event (other than those Components that have since ceased to be listed on the relevant Exchange); or
- (b) "**Related Exchange Adjustment**", then following each adjustment to the exercise, settlement, payment, or other terms of options or futures contracts on the Index traded on any Options Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make the appropriate adjustments, if any, to any one or more of the terms of the Index Linked Securities, including without limitation, any variable or term relevant to the settlement or payment under the Index Linked Securities, as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate, which adjustment will be effective as of the date determined by the Calculation Agent to be the effective date of the corresponding adjustment made by the Options Exchange. If options or futures contracts on the Index are not traded on the Options Exchange, the Calculation Agent will make such adjustment, if any, to any one or more of the terms of such Index Linked Securities, including without limitation, any variable or term relevant to the settlement or payment under such Index Linked Securities, as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate, with reference to the rules of and precedents (if any) set by the Options Exchange, to account for any event that, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, would have given rise to an adjustment by the Options Exchange if such options or futures contracts were so traded;

provided that if, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, neither paragraph (a) nor (b) above, as is applicable, would achieve a commercially reasonable result, on giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) or General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*), as the case may be, the Issuer shall redeem the Index Linked Securities in whole but not in part, each Index Linked Security being redeemed by payment of an amount equal to the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount of such Index Linked Security taking into account such Index Adjustment Event, as determined by the Calculation Agent. Payments will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) or General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*), as the case may be.

### 3.3 Occurrence of a Change in Law

Following the determination by the Calculation Agent that a Change in Law, if specified as being applicable in the relevant Final Terms, has occurred, the Calculation Agent will:

- (a) determine the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any one or more of the terms of the Index Linked Securities, including without limitation, any variable or term relevant to the settlement or payment under such Index Linked Securities, as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for the Change in Law, and determine the effective date of that adjustment; or
- (b) redeem all, but not some only, of the Index Linked Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) or General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*), as the case may be. If the Index Linked Securities are so redeemed in whole, the Issuer will pay to each Holder in respect of each Index Linked Security held by such Holder an amount equal to the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount of such Index Linked Security, taking into account the Change in Law, as determined by the Calculation Agent. Payments will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) or General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*), as the case may be.

4. **Correction of Index Level**

If the relevant Final Terms specify that "**Correction of Index Level**" to be applicable for an Index, then, in the event that any Index Level published by the Index Sponsor on any date which is utilised for any calculation or determination is subsequently corrected and the correction is published, by the Index Sponsor within one Settlement Cycle after the original publication, the Calculation Agent will make any determination or determine the amount that is payable or deliverable as a result of that correction, and, to the extent necessary, will adjust any relevant terms of the Index Linked Securities to account for such correction, provided that, if a Correction Cut-off Date is applicable for a relevant Index for any relevant date, corrections published after such Correction Cut-off Date will be disregarded by the Calculation Agent for the purposes of determining or calculating any relevant amount, and/or whether any event specified in the Conditions has occurred.

5. **Index Disclaimer**

If "**Index Disclaimer**" is specified in the relevant Final Terms to be applicable to an Index, then each of the Issuer, the Guarantor and the Holders agrees and acknowledges, in respect of such Index, that the Index Linked Securities are not sponsored, endorsed, sold, or promoted by the Index or the Index Sponsor and no Index Sponsor makes any representation whatsoever, whether express or implied, either as to the results to be obtained from the use of the Index and/or the levels at which the Index stands at any particular time on any particular date or otherwise. No Index or Index Sponsor shall be liable (whether in negligence or otherwise) to any person for any error in the Index and the Index Sponsor is under no obligation to advise any person of any error therein. No Index Sponsor is making any representation whatsoever, whether express or implied, as to the advisability of purchasing or assuming any risk in connection with the Index Linked Securities. The Issuer and the Guarantor shall have no liability to the Holders for any act or failure to act by the Index Sponsor in connection with the calculation, adjustment, or maintenance of the Index. None of the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Calculation Agent or any of their respective affiliates has any affiliation with or control over the Index or Index Sponsor or any control over the computation, composition, or dissemination of the Indices. Although the Calculation Agent will obtain information concerning the Index from publicly available sources it believes reliable, it will not independently verify this information. Accordingly, no representation, warranty, or undertaking (express or implied) is made and no responsibility is accepted by the Issuer, the Guarantor, their affiliates, or the Calculation Agent as to the accuracy, completeness, and timeliness of information concerning the Index.

6. **Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions**

If the relevant Final Terms specify that the "Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions" to be applicable, the following terms shall apply, and Index Linked Condition 1 (*Consequences of Non-Scheduled Trading Days, Non-Common Scheduled Trading Days or Disrupted Days*) shall not apply, save in relation to determining the Final Index Level, if applicable:



### 6.1 **Early Redemption pursuant to the occurrence of an Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Adjustment Event**

If the relevant Final Terms specify that the "Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions" shall be applicable then following the determination by the Calculation Agent that an Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Adjustment Event has occurred, the Calculation Agent will:

- (a) determine the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any one or more of the terms of the Securities, including without limitation, any variable or term relevant to the settlement or payment under the Securities, as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for such Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Adjustment Event, and determine the effective date of that adjustment; or
- (b) redeem all, but not some only, of the Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) or General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*), as applicable. If the Securities are so redeemed in whole, the Issuer will pay to each Holder in respect of each Security held by such Holder an amount equal to the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount of the Security, taking into account the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Adjustment Event, as determined by the Calculation Agent. Payments will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) or General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*), as applicable.

### 6.2 **Corrections to price of Index-Linked Derivatives Contract**

If the relevant Final Terms specify that the "Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions" shall be applicable then in the event that the relevant price of an Index-Linked Derivatives Contract which is utilised for any calculation or determination in relation to such Index-Linked Derivatives Contract is subsequently corrected and the correction is published by the Derivatives Exchange no later than the second Business Day prior to the Maturity Date, the Calculation Agent will make any determination or determine the amount that is payable or deliverable as a result of that correction, and, to the extent necessary, will adjust any relevant terms of the Securities to account for such correction.

### 6.3 **Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions – Adjustments**

#### (a) *Calculation Agent Adjustment following Index Modification*

If the relevant Final Terms specify that the "Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions" to be applicable, following the occurrence of an Index Modification in respect of an Index, "Calculation Agent Adjustment" means that the Calculation Agent shall determine if such Index Modification has a material effect on the Index Linked Securities and, if so, may in its discretion take one of, or both of, or neither of, the following actions:

- (i) continue to calculate the relevant Index Level using the published level for such Index (instead of calculating the level for such Index in accordance with the formula for, and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the relevant Index Modification, but using only those Components that comprised such Index immediately prior to such Index Modification); and/or
- (ii) make the appropriate adjustments, if any, to any one or more of the terms of the Index Linked Securities, including, without limitation, any variable or term relevant to the settlement or payment under the Index Linked Securities, as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate. Any adjustments to the terms of the Index Linked Securities made by the Calculation Agent under this paragraph (ii) do not have to off-set the economic impact of such Index Modification on the Index Linked Securities. The Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the terms of the Index Linked Securities to reflect the modifications made to such Index or any other adjustments it determines to be appropriate to account for such Index Modification, including (without limitation) adjusting or changing any Underlying Asset which is an Index-Linked Derivatives Contract where the Index Modification comprises changes to the underlying exchanged-traded contracts to which such Index is linked.

(b) *Fallback Valuation Date*

If the relevant Final Terms specify "Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions" to be applicable then "**Valuation Date**" means, in respect of an Index, each date as specified as such in the relevant Final Terms (each such date, a "**Scheduled Valuation Date**"), provided that:

- (i) if the Special Quotation Price which was scheduled (as of the Issue Date of the Index Linked Securities) to be published by the Derivatives Exchange on and for such Scheduled Valuation Date is not published on such Scheduled Valuation Date, but is instead published by the Derivatives Exchange on another date (such date which may fall before or after such Scheduled Valuation Date, the "**Adjusted Valuation Date**" in respect of such Scheduled Valuation Date), such Adjusted Valuation Date shall be deemed to be the relevant Valuation Date instead of the Scheduled Valuation Date; and
- (ii) if the Special Quotation Price is not published on a Scheduled Valuation Date and Adjusted Valuation Date in respect of such Scheduled Valuation Date has not occurred by the second Scheduled Trading Day (or, if the Index Linked Securities are linked to an Index Basket comprising Common Basket Indices, the second Common Scheduled Trading Day) following such Scheduled Valuation Date, such second Scheduled Trading Day or second Common Scheduled Trading Day, as the case may be, shall be deemed to be the relevant Valuation Date instead of the Scheduled Valuation Date, and the Calculation Agent may make the appropriate adjustments, if any, to any one or more of the terms of the Index Linked Securities, including, without limitation, any variable or term relevant to the settlement or payment under the Index Linked Securities, as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for such non-publication.

If the Scheduled Valuation Date, the Adjusted Valuation Date, second Scheduled Trading Day or second Common Scheduled Trading Day, as the case may be (such day, the "**Relevant Valuation Date**"), is a Disrupted Day for an Index, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant Index Level of such Index on such Relevant Valuation Date in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of the Disrupted Day, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Relevant Valuation Date of each Component (which may, for the avoidance of doubt, include futures, options or other derivatives contracts) comprised in such Index (or, if a Disrupted Day (as defined in the Share Linked Conditions) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on the Relevant Valuation Date and/or no exchange traded or quoted price is available in respect of any relevant Component that is a futures, options or other derivatives contract on the Relevant Valuation Date, its good faith estimate of the value of the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Relevant Valuation Date).

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these Index Linked Conditions, each Valuation Date shall be the relevant Scheduled Valuation Date, unless otherwise adjusted for the reasons described in paragraphs (i) and (ii) above.

7. **Definitions**

The following terms and expressions shall have the following meanings in relation to Index Linked Securities to which these Index Linked Conditions apply:

"**Affected Common Basket Index**" and "**Affected Common Basket Indices**" have the meaning given thereto in Index Linked Condition 1.6 (*Index Basket and Reference Dates – Common Scheduled Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day*).

"**Affected Index**" has the meaning given thereto in Index Linked Condition 2 (*Fallback Valuation Date*).

"**Automatic Early Exercise Date**" means such date as is specified in the relevant Final Terms (each, a "**Scheduled Automatic Early Exercise Date**"), provided that, if the relevant Applicable Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, the corresponding Automatic Early Exercise Date in respect of such Applicable Date will instead be the day falling the number of Business Days equal to

the Number of Automatic Early Exercise Settlement Period Business Days after the Latest Reference Date corresponding to such Applicable Date.

**"Automatic Early Redemption Date"** means such date as is specified in the relevant Final Terms (each, a **"Scheduled Automatic Early Redemption Date"**), provided that, if the relevant Applicable Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, the corresponding Automatic Early Redemption Date in respect of such Applicable Date will instead be the day falling the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Automatic Early Redemption Settlement Period Business Days after the Latest Reference Date corresponding to such Applicable Date.

**"Averaging Date"** means, in respect of an Index, each date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms or otherwise determined as provided in the Conditions, subject to adjustment (as an Averaging Reference Date) in accordance with these Index Linked Conditions.

**"Averaging Reference Date"** means, in respect of an Index, each Initial Averaging Date or Averaging Date, in each case, subject to adjustment in accordance with these Index Linked Conditions.

**"Change in Law"** means that, on or after the Issue Date, due to (i) the adoption of or any change in any applicable law or regulation (including, without limitation, any tax law) or (ii) the promulgation of or any change in the interpretation by any court, tribunal or regulatory authority with competent jurisdiction of any applicable law or regulation (including any action taken by a taxing authority), the Calculation Agent determines that the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates will incur a materially increased cost in performing its obligations under the Index Linked Securities (including, without limitation, due to any increase in tax liability, decrease in tax benefit, or other adverse effect on its tax position).

**"Closing Index Level"** means, in respect of an Index and any relevant day, the official closing level of the Index (expressed in relevant Index Currency (if specified in the relevant Final Terms) applicable to the Index) as at the Valuation Time on such relevant day as calculated and published by the Index Sponsor, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Common Basket Index"** and **"Common Basket Indices"** have the meaning given thereto in Index Linked Condition 1.5 (*Index Basket and Reference Dates – Common Scheduled Trading Day but Individual Disrupted Day*) or Index Linked Condition 1.6 (*Index Basket and Reference Dates – Common Scheduled Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day*), as the case may be.

**"Common Scheduled Trading Day"** means, in respect of an Index Basket comprising Common Basket Indices, each day which is a Scheduled Trading Day for all Common Basket Indices in such Index Basket.

**"Component"** means, in respect of an Index, any share, security, commodity, rate, index or other component included in such Index, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Component Clearance System"** means, in respect of a Component of an Index, the principal domestic clearance system customarily used for settling trades in the relevant Component on any relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Component Clearance System Business Day"** means, in respect of a Component Clearance System, any day on which such Component Clearance System is (or, but for the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event, would have been) open for the acceptance and execution of settlement instructions.

**"Correction Cut-off Date"** means, if specified in the relevant Final Terms to be applicable to any date on which the price of an Index is required to be determined, the date(s) specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, or such number of Business Days as specified in the relevant Final Terms prior to the next following date upon which any payment or delivery of assets may have to be made by the Issuer by reference to the price of such Index on such day, unless **"Default Correction Cut-off Date"** is specified in the Final Terms to be applicable in respect of any date on which the price of such Index is required to be determined, then the Correction Cut-off Date for such Index and such date shall be the second Business Day prior to the next following date upon which any payment or delivery of assets may have to be made by the Issuer by reference to the price of such Index on such day.

**"Daily Settlement Price"** means, in respect of an Index-Linked Derivatives Contract and any day, the official settlement price of the relevant Index-Linked Derivatives Contract (howsoever described under

the rules of the relevant Derivatives Exchange or its clearing house) for such day published by the Derivatives Exchange or its clearing house, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Derivatives Exchange"** means each exchange or quotation system specified as such in the relevant Final Terms in respect of the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract, any successor to such exchange or quotation system or any substitute exchange or quotation system to which trading in the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract has temporarily relocated (provided that the Calculation Agent has determined that there is comparable liquidity relative to the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract on such temporary substitute exchange or quotation system as on the original Derivatives Exchange).

**"Disrupted Day"** means:

- (a) for any Unitary Index, any Scheduled Trading Day on which (i) a relevant Exchange or any Related Exchange fails to open for trading during its regular trading session or (ii) a Market Disruption Event has occurred; or
- (b) for any Multi-Exchange Index, any Scheduled Trading Day on which (i) the Index Sponsor fails to publish the level of the Index (provided that the Calculation Agent may, in its discretion, determine that such event instead results in the occurrence of an Index Disruption), (ii) the Related Exchange fails to open for trading during its regular trading session or (iii) a Market Disruption Event has occurred;

**"Early Closure"** means:

- (a) for any Unitary Index, the closure on any Exchange Business Day of any relevant Exchange relating to Components that comprise 20 per cent. or more of the level of the relevant Index or any Related Exchange prior to its Scheduled Closing Time, unless such earlier closing time is announced by such Exchange or Related Exchange at least one-hour prior to the earlier of (i) the actual closing time for the regular trading session on such Exchange or Related Exchange on such Exchange Business Day and (ii) the submission deadline for orders to be entered into the Exchange or Related Exchange system for execution at the Valuation Time on such Exchange Business Day; or
- (b) for any Multi-Exchange Index, the closure on any Exchange Business Day with respect to such Multi-Exchange Index of the Exchange in respect of any Component, or the Related Exchange, prior to its Scheduled Closing Time unless such earlier closing time is announced by such Exchange or Related Exchange, as the case may be, at least one-hour prior to the earlier of (i) the actual closing time for the regular trading session on such Exchange or Related Exchange (as the case may be) on such Exchange Business Day and (ii) the submission deadline for orders to be entered into such Exchange or Related Exchange system for execution as at the relevant Valuation Time on such Exchange Business Day.

**"Exchange"** means:

- (a) for any Unitary Index, each exchange or quotation system specified as such in the relevant Final Terms for such Unitary Index, any successor to such exchange or quotation system or any substitute exchange or quotation system to which trading in the Components underlying such Unitary Index has temporarily relocated (provided that the Calculation Agent has determined that there is comparable liquidity relative to the Components underlying such Unitary Index on such temporary substitute exchange or quotation system as on the original Exchange); or
- (b) for any Multi-Exchange Index, each exchange on which any Component of such Multi-Exchange Index is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, principally traded, or as otherwise determined by the Calculation Agent, any successor to such Exchange or quotation system or any substitute exchange or quotation system to which trading in the Components underlying such Multi-Exchange Index has temporarily relocated (provided that the Calculation Agent has determined that there is comparable liquidity to the Components underlying such Multi-Exchange Index on such temporary substitute exchange or quotation system as on the original Exchange).

**"Exchange Business Day"** means:

- (a) for any Unitary Index, any Scheduled Trading Day on which each Exchange and each Related Exchange for such Unitary Index are open for trading during their respective regular trading sessions, notwithstanding any such Exchange or Related Exchange for such Unitary Index closing prior to its Scheduled Closing Time; or
- (b) for any Multi-Exchange Index, any Scheduled Trading Day on which (i) the Index Sponsor calculates and publishes the level of such Multi-Exchange Index and (ii) the Related Exchange for such Multi-Exchange Index is open for trading during its regular trading session, notwithstanding the Related Exchange for such Multi-Exchange Index closing prior to its Scheduled Closing Time.

**"Exchange Disruption"** means:

- (a) for any Unitary Index, any event (other than an Early Closure) that disrupts or impairs, as determined by the Calculation Agent, the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in, or obtain market values for, (i) any Component on any relevant Exchange that comprise 20 per cent. or more of the level of such Unitary Index or (ii) futures or options contracts relating to such Unitary Index on any relevant Related Exchange; or
- (b) for any Multi-Exchange Index, any event (other than an Early Closure) that disrupts or impairs, as determined by the Calculation Agent, the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in, or obtain market values for (i) any Component on the relevant Exchange in respect of such Component or (ii) futures or options contracts relating to such Multi-Exchange Index on the relevant Related Exchange.

**"Fallback Valuation Date"** means, in respect of any Index and if Fallback Valuation Date is specified in the relevant Final Terms to be applicable to any date on which the level of such Index is required to be determined, the date(s) specified as such in the relevant Final Terms or such number of Business Days as specified in the relevant Final Terms prior to the next following date upon which any payment or delivery of assets may have to be made by the Issuer by reference to the level of such Index on such day, unless "Default Fallback Valuation Date" is specified in the Final Terms to be applicable to any date on which the level of such Index is required to be determined, then the Fallback Valuation Date for such Index and such date shall be the second Business Day prior to the next following date upon which any payment or delivery of assets may have to be made by the Issuer by reference to the level of such Index on such day.

**"Final Index Level"** means an amount equal to the official closing level of the Index as at the Valuation Time on the relevant Valuation Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent and where the "Index Multiplier" is specified in the Final Terms to be applicable, multiplied by the Index Multiplier.

**"Final Reference Price"** means, in respect of the relevant Index-Linked Derivatives Contract:

- (a) if the Final Settlement Price in respect of such Index-Linked Derivatives Contract is published by the Derivatives Exchange on the Scheduled Valuation Date corresponding to the relevant Valuation Date, such Final Settlement Price; or
- (b) if the Final Settlement Price is not published by the Derivatives Exchange in respect of the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract on the Scheduled Valuation Date corresponding to the relevant Valuation Date, but the Daily Settlement Price in respect of the Scheduled Valuation Date corresponding to the relevant Valuation Date is published by the Derivatives Exchange on such Scheduled Valuation Date, such Daily Settlement Price, provided that if neither the Final Settlement Price nor the Daily Settlement Price in respect of the Scheduled Valuation Date corresponding to the relevant Valuation Date is published (whether or not this results from trading in the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract not commencing or being permanently discontinued at any time on or prior to the Scheduled Valuation Date), the Final Index Level shall be deemed to be the Final Reference Price for such Valuation Date, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Final Settlement Price"** means, in respect of an Index-Linked Derivatives Contract and any day, the final official settlement price of such Index-Linked Derivatives Contract (howsoever described under

the rules of the relevant Derivatives Exchange or its clearing house) for such day published by the Derivatives Exchange or its clearing house.

**"Index"** and **"Indices"** mean, subject to adjustment in accordance with these Index Linked Conditions, the index or indices specified in the relevant Final Terms, and related expressions shall be construed accordingly.

**"Index Adjustment Event"** means each of Index Cancellation, Index Disruption and Index Modification.

**"Index Basket"** means, subject to adjustment in accordance with these Index Linked Conditions, a basket composed of Indices in the relative proportions or numbers of Indices, as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Index Cancellation"** has the meaning given thereto in Index Linked Condition 3.2 (*Occurrence of an Index Adjustment Event*).

**"Index Currency"** means, in respect of an Index, the currency specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, or if not specified, the currency which the relevant level of the Index is reported or published, if applicable.

**"Index Disruption"** has the meaning given thereto in Index Linked Condition 3.2 (*Occurrence of an Index Adjustment Event*).

**"Index Level"** means the level of the Index as determined by the Calculation Agent as of the relevant time on the relevant date, as calculated and published by the relevant Index Sponsor provided that, where the Underlying Asset is an Index-Linked Derivatives Contract, the official closing level of the Index as at the Valuation Time on the relevant date as calculated and published by the Index Sponsor.

**"Index-Linked Derivatives Contract"** means any futures, options or other derivatives contract relating to one or more Indices as specified in the relevant Final Terms, and related expressions shall be construed accordingly.

**"Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Adjustment Event"** means, and shall have occurred if, the Calculation Agent determines that, any term of the relevant Index-Linked Derivatives Contract is changed or modified by the Derivatives Exchange (including if it is permanently discontinued), and the Calculation Agent determines that such change or modification could have a material effect on the Securities.

**"Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Price"** means in respect of an Index-Linked Derivatives Contract and any day:

- (a) the last traded price of such Index-Linked Derivatives Contract on the Derivatives Exchange in respect of such Index-Linked Derivatives Contract on such day;
- (b) if the price referred to in (a) above is not available on such day, then the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Price shall be the arithmetic mean of the last bid price and the last offer price of such Index-Linked Derivatives Contract on the Derivatives Exchange on such day;
- (c) if (i) the price referred to in (a) above is not available on such day and (ii) one or both of the last bid price and/or the last offer price of such Index-Linked Derivatives Contract on the Derivatives Exchange are also not available on such day, then the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Price shall be the Daily Settlement Price of such Index-Linked Derivatives Contract for such day; and
- (d) if none of the prices referred to in (a), (b) or (c) is available on such day, then the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Price shall be an amount determined by the Calculation Agent acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner,

all as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Index Linked Securities"** means Index Linked Notes or Index Linked Instruments, as the case may be.

**"Index Modification"** has the meaning given thereto in Index Linked Condition 3.2 (*Occurrence of an Index Adjustment Event*).

**"Index Multiplier"** means, in respect of the relevant Valuation Date and an Index, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent in its discretion by reference to the realised dividend yield of the relevant Index.

**"Index Sponsor"** means, for any Index, the entity specified in the relevant Final Terms, and, if not specified, the corporation or other entity that, as determined by the Calculation Agent, (i) is responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to such Index, and (ii) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of such Index on a regular basis during each Scheduled Trading Day.

**"Initial Averaging Date"** means, in respect of an Index, each date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms or otherwise determined as provided in the Conditions, subject to adjustment (as an Averaging Reference Date) in accordance with these Index Linked Conditions.

**"Initial Valuation Date"** means, in respect of an Index, each date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms or otherwise determined as provided in the Conditions, subject to adjustment (as a Reference Date) in accordance with these Index Linked Conditions.

**"Last Averaging Date"** means, in respect of an Index, the Averaging Date for the Index scheduled to fall on the date specified as the "Last Averaging Date" in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Last Initial Averaging Date"** means, in respect of an Index, the Initial Averaging Date for the Index scheduled to fall on the date specified as the "Last Initial Averaging Date" in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Latest Reference Date"** means, in respect of a single Index and an Averaging Reference Date or a Reference Date, such Averaging Reference Date or Reference Date, and in respect of an Index Basket and an Averaging Reference Date or a Reference Date (being, for the purposes of this definition, the **"Relevant Reference Date"**):

- (a) if, as a result of the Relevant Reference Date not being a Scheduled Trading Day for one or more Indices or as a result of the occurrence of a Disrupted Day for one or more Indices, the Relevant Reference Date for two or more Indices falls on different dates, the date corresponding to the Relevant Reference Date which is the latest to occur, as determined by the Calculation Agent; or
- (b) if the Relevant Reference Date for all of the Indices falls on the same date (after adjustment, if any, for non-Scheduled Trading Days or Disrupted Days for such Indices), such same date corresponding to the Relevant Reference Date.

**"Market Disruption Event"** means:

- (a) for any Unitary Index, the occurrence or existence of (i) a Trading Disruption, (ii) an Exchange Disruption, which in either case the Calculation Agent determines is material, at any time during the one-hour period that ends at the relevant Valuation Time, or (iii) an Early Closure.

For the purposes of determining whether a Market Disruption Event in respect of any Unitary Index exists at any time, if a Market Disruption Event occurs in respect of a Component included in such Unitary Index at any time, then the relevant percentage contribution of such Component to the level of such Unitary Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of such Unitary Index attributable to such Component) and (y) the overall level of such Unitary Index, in each case immediately before the occurrence of such Market Disruption Event;

- (b) for any Multi-Exchange Index:

Either:

- (i) (I) the occurrence or existence, in respect of any Component, of:
  - (A) a Trading Disruption in respect of such Component, which the Calculation Agent determines is material, at any time during the one-hour period that ends at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the Exchange on which such Component is principally traded;
  - (B) (an Exchange Disruption in respect of such Component, which the Calculation Agent determines is material at any time during the one-hour period that ends at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the Exchange on which such Component is principally traded; or
  - (C) an Early Closure in respect of such Component;

and

- (II) the aggregate of all Components in respect of which a Trading Disruption, an Exchange Disruption or an Early Closure occurs or exists comprises 20 per cent. or more of the level of such Multi-Exchange Index;

or

- (ii) the occurrence or existence, in each case in respect of futures or options contracts relating to such Multi-Exchange Index, of (I) a Trading Disruption, or (II) an Exchange Disruption, which in either case the Calculation Agent determines is material, at any time during the one-hour period that ends at the Valuation Time in respect of the Related Exchange, or (III) an Early Closure.

For the purposes of determining whether a Market Disruption Event exists in respect of a Multi-Exchange Index at any time, if an Early Closure, an Exchange Disruption, or a Trading Disruption occurs in respect of a Component at that time, then the relevant percentage contribution of such Component to the level of such Multi-Exchange Index shall be based on a comparison of (x) the portion of the level of such Multi-Exchange Index attributable to that Component and (y) the overall level of such Multi-Exchange Index, in each case immediately before the occurrence of such Market Disruption Event; or

- (c) any change in national or international financial, political or economic conditions or currency exchange rates or exchange controls, the effect of which is, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, so material and adverse as to make it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the calculation or determination of any amount payable or deliverable under the terms and conditions of the Index Linked Securities.

**"Maturity Date"** means:

- (a) in respect of Index Linked Instruments other than Nordic Registered Instruments or Euroclear France Registered Instruments, the Scheduled Maturity Date specified in the relevant Final Terms, and if the Relevant Determination Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, the Maturity Date shall instead be the day falling the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Settlement Period Business Days after the Latest Reference Date in respect of the Relevant Determination Date;
- (b) in respect of Index Linked Notes, the Scheduled Maturity Date specified in the relevant Final Terms, and if the Relevant Determination Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, the Maturity Date shall instead be the day falling the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Settlement Period Business Days after the Latest Reference Date in respect of the Relevant Determination Date.

**"Maximum Days of Disruption"** means in respect of Index Linked Securities that relate to:



- (a) a single Index, eight Scheduled Trading Days; or
- (b) an Index Basket and the relevant Final Terms do not specify "Basket Valuation (Common Scheduled Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day)" to be applicable to any two or more Common Basket Indices, eight Scheduled Trading Days; or
- (c) an Index Basket and the relevant Final Terms specify "Basket Valuation (Common Scheduled Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day)" to be applicable to any two or more Common Basket Indices, eight Common Scheduled Trading Days,

or, in each case, such other number of Scheduled Trading Days or Common Scheduled Trading Days, as applicable (or other type of days) specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Modified Postponement"** has the meaning given thereto in Index Linked Condition 1.2(c) (*Single Index and Averaging Reference Dates*) or Index Linked Condition 1.4(c) (*Index Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day*), as applicable.

**"Multi-Exchange Index"** means any Index specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, or, if not specified, any Index the Calculation Agent determines as such.

**"No Adjustment"** has the meaning given thereto in Index Linked Condition 1.1(c) (*Single Index and Reference Dates*), Index Linked Condition 1.2(d) (*Single Index and Averaging Reference Dates*), Index Linked Condition 1.3(c) (*Index Basket and Reference Dates – Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day*), Index Linked Condition 1.4(d) (*Index Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day*), Index Linked Condition 1.5(b) (*Index Basket and Reference Dates – Common Scheduled Trading Day but Individual Disrupted Day*) and Index Linked Condition 1.6(c) (*Index Basket and Reference Dates – Common Scheduled Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day*), as applicable.

**"Observation Date (closing valuation)"** means, in respect of an Index and an Observation Period, each Scheduled Trading Day which is not a Disrupted Day for such Index falling in the Observation Period.

**"Observation Date (intra-day valuation)"** means, in respect of an Index and an Observation Period, each day falling in the Observation Period on which the relevant Index Sponsor publishes levels for such Index regardless of whether such day is a Scheduled Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for such Index.

**"Observation Period"** means, in respect of an Index, the period commencing on the relevant Observation Period Start Date and ending on the relevant Observation Period End Date.

**"Observation Period End Date"** means, in respect of an Index, the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, which shall be the last day of the relevant Observation Period.

**"Observation Period Start Date"** means, in respect of an Index, the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, which shall be the first day of the relevant Observation Period.

**"Omission"** has the meaning given thereto in Index Linked Condition 1.2(a) (*Single Index and Averaging Reference Dates*) or Index Linked Condition 1.4(a) (*Index Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day*), as applicable.

**"Options Exchange"** means the exchange or quotation system specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, any successor to such exchange or quotation system or any substitute exchange or quotation system, to which trading in options contracts relating to the relevant Index has temporarily relocated (provided that the Calculation Agent has determined that there is comparable liquidity relative to such options contracts on such temporary substitute exchange or quotation system as on the original Options Exchange) or, if no such exchange or quotation system is specified in the relevant Final Terms, the Related Exchange (if such Related Exchange trades options contracts relating to the relevant Index) or, if more than one such Related Exchange is specified in the relevant Final Terms, the Related Exchange selected by the Calculation Agent as the primary market for listed options contracts relating to the relevant Index.

**"Postponement"** has the meaning given thereto in Index Linked Condition 1.2(b) (*Single Index and Averaging Reference Dates*) or Index Linked Condition 1.4(b) (*Index Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day*), as applicable.

**"Reference Date"** means, in respect of an Index, each Initial Valuation Date or Valuation Date, in each case, subject to adjustment in accordance with these Index Linked Conditions.

**"Related Exchange"** means for any Unitary Index or Multi-Exchange Index, each exchange or quotation system, if any, specified in the relevant Final Terms, any successor to such exchange or quotation system or any substitute exchange or quotation system to which trading in futures or options contracts relating to such Unitary Index or Multi-Exchange Index has temporarily relocated (provided that the Calculation Agent has determined that there is comparable liquidity relative to the futures or options contracts relating to such Unitary Index or Multi-Exchange Index on such temporary substitute exchange or quotation system as on the original Related Exchange), provided, however, that where "All Exchanges" is specified as the Related Exchange, **"Related Exchange"** shall mean each exchange or quotation system where trading has a material effect on the overall market for futures or options contracts relating to such Unitary Index or Multi-Exchange Index, as determined by the Calculation Agent, or, in any such case, any transferee or successor exchange of such exchange or quotation system (provided that the Calculation Agent has determined that there is comparable liquidity relative to the futures or options contracts relating to such Index on such temporary substitute exchange or quotation system as on the original Related Exchange).

**"Relevant Date"** has the meaning given thereto in Index Linked Condition 2 (*Fallback Valuation Date*).

**"Scheduled Averaging Date"** means, in respect of an Index, any original date that, but for such day not being a Scheduled Trading Day for such Index or for such day being a Disrupted Day for such Index, would have been an Averaging Date.

**"Scheduled Averaging Reference Date"** means, in respect of an Index, each Scheduled Averaging Date or Scheduled Initial Averaging Date.

**"Scheduled Closing Time"** means, in respect of an Index and in respect of an Exchange or Related Exchange and a Scheduled Trading Day, the scheduled weekday closing time of such Exchange or Related Exchange on such Scheduled Trading Day, without regard to after hours or any other trading outside of the regular trading session hours.

**"Scheduled Initial Averaging Date"** means, in respect of an Index, any original date that, but for such day not being a Scheduled Trading Day for such Index or for such day being a Disrupted Day for such Index, would have been an Initial Averaging Date.

**"Scheduled Initial Valuation Date"** means, in respect of an Index, any original date that, but for such day not being a Scheduled Trading Day for such Index or for such day being a Disrupted Day for such Index, would have been an Initial Valuation Date.

**"Scheduled Reference Date"** means, in respect of an Index, each Scheduled Initial Valuation Date or Scheduled Valuation Date.

**"Scheduled Trading Day"** means:

- (a) in respect of any Unitary Index, any day on which each Exchange and each Related Exchange for such Unitary Index specified in the relevant Final Terms are scheduled to be open for trading for their respective regular trading sessions; or
- (b) in respect of any Multi-Exchange Index, any day on which (i) the Index Sponsor is scheduled to publish the level of such Multi-Exchange Index and (ii) the Related Exchange for such Multi-Exchange Index is scheduled to be open for trading for its regular trading session.

**"Scheduled Valuation Date"** means, in respect of an Index, any original date that, but for such day not being a Scheduled Trading Day for such Index or for such day being a Disrupted Day for such Index, would have been a Valuation Date (and subject as provided in Index Linked Condition 7.3(b) if the relevant Final Terms specify "Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions" to be applicable).

**"Settlement Currency"** has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms, or if not so given, the Specified Currency.

**"Settlement Cycle"** means for any Unitary Index or Multi-Exchange Index, the period of Component Clearance System Business Days following a trade in the Components underlying such Unitary Index or Multi-Exchange Index on the Exchange in which settlement will customarily occur according to the rules of such Exchange (or, if there are multiple Exchanges in respect of an Index, the longest such period).

**"Settlement Disruption Event"** means, in respect of a Component of an Index, an event that the Calculation Agent determines is beyond the control of the Issuer and/or its affiliates as a result of which the relevant Component Clearance System cannot clear the transfer of such Component.

**"Special Quotation Price"** means, in respect of an Index-Linked Derivatives Contract and any day, the special quotation price of such Index-Linked Derivatives Contract (howsoever described under the rules of the relevant Derivatives Exchange or its clearing house) for such day published by the Derivatives Exchange or its clearing house.

**"Successor Index"** has the meaning given thereto in Index Linked Condition 3.1 (*Successor Index Sponsor or Successor Index*).

**"Successor Index Sponsor"** has the meaning given thereto in Index Linked Condition 3.1 (*Successor Index Sponsor or Successor Index*).

**"Trading Disruption"** means:

- (a) in respect of any Unitary Index, any suspension of, or limitation imposed on, trading by the relevant Exchange or Related Exchange or otherwise, and whether by reason of movements in price exceeding limits permitted by the relevant Exchange or Related Exchange or otherwise, (i) relating to Components that comprise 20 per cent. or more of the level of such Unitary Index on any relevant Exchange or (ii) in futures or options contracts relating to such Unitary Index on any relevant Related Exchange; or
- (b) in respect of any Multi-Exchange Index, any suspension or limitation imposed on trading by the relevant Exchange or Related Exchange or otherwise and whether by reason of movements in price exceeding limits permitted by the relevant Exchange or Related Exchange or otherwise (i) relating to any Component on the Exchange in respect of such Component or (ii) in futures or options contracts relating to Multi-Exchange Index on the Related Exchange.

**"Unitary Index"** means any Index specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, or, if not specified, any Index the Calculation Agent determines as such.

**"Valid Date"** means a Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day and on which another Averaging Reference Date does not or is not deemed to occur.

**"Valuation Date"** means, in respect of an Index, each date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms or otherwise determined as provided in the Conditions, subject to adjustment (as a Reference Date) in accordance with these Index Linked Conditions (and subject as provided in Index Linked Condition 7.3(b) if the relevant Final Terms specify "Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions" to be applicable).

**"Valuation Time"** means the time in the place as specified in the relevant Final Terms, unless **"Default Valuation Time"** is specified in the relevant Final Terms, in which case the "Valuation Time" means:

- (a) in respect of any Unitary Index, (i) for the purposes of determining whether a Market Disruption Event has occurred in respect of (A) any Component, the Scheduled Closing Time on the Exchange in respect of such Component (provided that, if the relevant Exchange closes prior to its Scheduled Closing Time, then the Valuation Time shall be such actual closing time), and (B) any options contracts or futures contracts on such Unitary Index, the close of trading on the Related Exchange, and (ii) in all other circumstances, the time at which the official closing level of such Unitary Index is calculated and published by the Index Sponsor; or

- (b) in respect of any Multi-Exchange Index, (i) for the purposes of determining whether a Market Disruption Event has occurred in respect of (A) any Component, the Scheduled Closing Time on the Exchange in respect of such Component (provided that, if the relevant Exchange closes prior to its Scheduled Closing Time, then the Valuation Time shall be such actual closing time), and (B) any options contracts or futures contracts on such Multi-Exchange Index, the close of trading on the Related Exchange, and (ii) in all other circumstances, the time at which the official closing level of such Multi-Exchange Index is calculated and published by the Index Sponsor.

## INTRODUCTION TO THE COMMODITY LINKED CONDITIONS

*The following introduction to, and overview of, the Commodity Linked Conditions is a description and overview only of the actual Commodity Linked Conditions set forth herein, and is intended to be a guide only to potential purchasers to facilitate a general understanding of such provisions. Accordingly, this overview must be read as an introduction only to the actual Commodity Linked Conditions and any decisions to purchase in Commodity Linked Securities should be based on a consideration of the Base Prospectus as a whole, including the actual Commodity Linked Conditions (as may be completed by the relevant Final Terms).*

The Commodity Linked Conditions deal with Commodity Linked Securities linked to (i) a single Commodity, (ii) a basket of Commodities or (iii) a Commodity Index. The approaches relating to disruptions to the valuation process differ between (a) single Commodities and baskets of Commodities, and (b) Commodity Indices. The Commodity Linked Conditions, and this overview, are divided accordingly.

### Single Commodities and Baskets of Commodities

#### Payments, Scheduled Commodity Business Days and Disrupted Days

Payments (whether in respect of principal or interest and whether at maturity or otherwise) in respect of certain Commodity Linked Securities will be calculated by reference to the price of a single Commodity, or the price of one or more Commodities in a Commodity Basket, or a formula based upon the price of one or more Commodities at a specified time or times on one or more Pricing Dates (as set out in the Final Terms).

However, it may not be possible, practical or desirable for the Calculation Agent to determine the price of a Commodity at a specified time on a Pricing Date, which must be a **Scheduled Commodity Business Day**, i.e. a day on which the Trading Facility on which such Commodity trades is scheduled to be open or the price of such Commodity is scheduled to be published, if such date is a **Disrupted Day**, i.e. a Scheduled Commodity Business Day on which a Disruption Event occurs.

#### Summary of Disruption Events

**Disruption Events for Commodities** can be classified broadly as the occurrence or existence of the following events:

- (a) **Disappearance of Commodity Reference Price** – (i) trading in the relevant Commodity Contract permanently ceases, (ii) the disappearance of, or of trading in, the Commodity, or (iii) the disappearance of the Commodity Reference Price, i.e. the specified price on a specified day of a specified quantity of the Commodity for delivery on a particular date;
- (b) **Material Change in Content** – a material change in the content of the Commodity or relevant Commodity Contract;
- (c) **Material Change in Formula** – a material change in the formula for or method of calculating the Commodity Reference Price;
- (d) **Price Source Disruption** – (i) the failure of the **Price Source** (typically the relevant Trading Facility or publication) to announce the **Specified Price** (i.e. the type of price specified in the Commodity Reference Price), (ii) the temporary or permanent unavailability of the Price Source, (iii) where applicable, the failure to obtain at least three quotations, or (iv) where applicable, a **Price Materiality Percentage** is reached, i.e. the Specified Price differs from the price reached by reference dealers by the maximum amount permitted;
- (e) **Tax Disruption** – the imposition of, or a change to, a tax, which has the direct effect of raising or lowering the price per unit of a Commodity; and
- (f) **Trading Disruption** – the material suspension of, or material limitation on, trading in the Commodity Contract or the Commodity; this includes where the relevant Trading Facility establishes limits on the range within which the price of the Commodity Contract or the Commodity may fluctuate and the closing or settlement price of the Commodity Contract or

the Commodity has increased or decreased from the previous day's settlement price by the maximum amount permitted under the rules of the relevant Trading Facility.

### Potential Postponement of Pricing Date

In the circumstances described above, the Pricing Date may, or may not, be postponed until a day on which the price of the relevant Commodity is published or can otherwise be determined by the Calculation Agent, subject to a long-stop date (designated by reference to the term, "**Maximum Days of Disruption**") by which a price must be determined for the purpose of calculating the payments in respect of the relevant Commodity Linked Securities.

The occurrence of a Scheduled Commodity Business Day or a Disrupted Day may differ in respect of two or more Commodities in a Commodity Basket, and in such circumstances, the Pricing Date for such Commodities may remain different or may be postponed so that each Commodity in the Commodity Basket has the same Pricing Date.

### Overview of Consequences

The Commodity Linked Conditions define the circumstances in which the determination of a price of a Commodity or Commodities may be postponed and stipulate how such price or prices should be determined in respect of Commodity Linked Securities that relate to a single Commodity or a Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates.

The following overviews set out the default consequence in respect of each type of Commodity Linked Security linked to a Commodity or a Commodity Basket if the Pricing Date is a Disrupted Day, though such overviews are subject to, and must be read in conjunction with, the more detailed contents of the Commodity Linked Conditions.

### Single Commodity and Pricing Date

The Final Terms will specify which of the following **Disruption Fallbacks** should apply:

- (a) **Calculation Agent Determination** – the Calculation Agent will determine the Relevant Price;
- (b) **Delayed Publication or Announcement** – the Relevant Price will be determined based on the Specified Price (or, if there is no Specified Price for a Commodity Reference Price, such Commodity Reference Price) in respect of the Pricing Date that is published or announced by the Price Source retrospectively on the first succeeding Scheduled Commodity Business Day that is not a Disrupted Day in respect of such Commodity, with a standard long-stop date of five consecutive Scheduled Commodity Business Days (being the standard Maximum Days of Disruption), upon which the next Disruption Fallback shall apply (the default position being Calculation Agent Determination);
- (c) **Fallback Reference Dealers** – the Commodity Reference Price will be determined on the basis of at least three quotations provided by reference dealers, with the highest and lowest values being discarded, provided that if fewer than three quotations are provided, the next Disruption Fallback shall apply (the default position being Calculation Agent Determination);
- (d) **Fallback Reference Price** – the Calculation Agent will base its determination on the first alternate Commodity Reference Price and the Pricing Date will be the first succeeding Scheduled Commodity Business Day that is not a Disrupted Day, with a standard long-stop date of five Scheduled Commodity Business Days, upon which the next Disruption Fallback shall apply (the default position being Calculation Agent Determination);
- (e) **Postponement** – the Pricing Date will be the first succeeding Scheduled Commodity Business Day that is not a Disrupted Day, with a standard long-stop date of five Scheduled Commodity Business Days (being the standard Maximum Days of Disruption), upon which Calculation Agent Determination shall apply on the Scheduled Commodity Business Day immediately following the expiry of the Maximum Days of Disruption;
- (f) **No Adjustment** – the Calculation Agent shall determine the Relevant Price on the Scheduled Pricing Date.

The Final Terms in respect of Commodity Linked Securities that are linked to a Commodity Basket will specify which of the following elections will be applicable.

**Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Individual Scheduled Commodity Business Day and Individual Disrupted Day**

- (a) If the Scheduled Pricing Date for a Commodity is a Scheduled Commodity Business Day that is not a Disrupted Day for such Commodity, then the Pricing Date for such Commodity shall be such Scheduled Pricing Date.
- (b) If the Scheduled Pricing Date for a Commodity is not a Scheduled Commodity Business Day, then the Pricing Date will be the first succeeding Scheduled Commodity Business Day for such Commodity.
- (c) If the Pricing Date for a Commodity is a Disrupted Day, then one or more of the Disruption Fallbacks described above will apply. If no Disruption Fallback is specified, then the Pricing Date will be the first succeeding Scheduled Commodity Business Day that is not a Disrupted Day, with a long-stop date of five Scheduled Commodity Business Days, following the expiry of which the Calculation Agent will determine the Relevant Price on the immediately following Scheduled Commodity Business Day.

**Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day but Individual Disrupted Day**

- (a) If the Scheduled Pricing Date for **each** Commodity is a Scheduled Commodity Business Day (the "**Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day**") and not a Disrupted Day, then the Scheduled Pricing Date will be the Pricing Date for **each** Commodity.
- (b) (I) If the Scheduled Pricing Date is a Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day but is a Disrupted Day for one or more Commodities, or (II) if the Scheduled Pricing Date is not a Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day, in which case the Pricing Date for **each** Commodity will be first succeeding Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day, provided that if such Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day is a Disrupted Day for one or more Commodities, then in respect of (I) and (II), the following provisions apply:
  - (i) if the Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day for a Commodity is not a Disrupted Day, then the Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day will be the Pricing Date for such Commodity; and
  - (ii) if the Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day for a Commodity is a Disrupted Day, then one or more of the Disruption Fallbacks described above will apply. If no Disruption Fallback is specified, then the Pricing Date for such Commodity will be the first succeeding Scheduled Commodity Business Day that is not a Disrupted Day, with a long-stop date of five Scheduled Commodity Business Days, following the expiry of which the Calculation Agent will determine the Relevant Price on the immediately following Scheduled Commodity Business Day, provided that, if the Final Terms specify that no adjustment should be made, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the Relevant Price of each Commodity in the Commodity Basket on the Scheduled Pricing Date.

**Commodity Indices**

**Payments, Scheduled Commodity Trading Days and Disrupted Days**

Payments (whether in respect of principal or interest and whether at maturity or otherwise) in respect of certain Commodity Linked Securities will be calculated by reference to the level of a single Commodity Index and/or a formula based upon the level of one Commodity Index at a specified time or times on one or more Valuation Dates.

However, it may not be possible for the Calculation Agent to determine the price of a Commodity Contract included in a Commodity Index at a specified time on a Valuation Date if a Disruption Event has occurred in respect of such Commodity Contract on such date.

### Summary of Disruption Events in respect of a Commodity Index

**Disruption Events for a Commodity Index** can be classified broadly as the occurrence or existence of the following events:

- (a) the settlement price for the Commodity Contract included in a Commodity Index for a day has increased or decreased from the previous day's settlement price by the maximum amount permitted under the rules of the relevant Trading Facility (a "**limit price**");
- (b) trading in any Commodity Contract included in such Commodity Index is suspended or interrupted subsequent to the opening of trading and trading in such Commodity Contract does not recommence at least ten (10) minutes prior to the regular scheduled close of trading in such Commodity Contract, or in the event trading does recommence at least ten (10) minutes prior to the regular scheduled close of trading on the relevant Trading Facility, trading does not continue on an uninterrupted basis until the regular scheduled close of trading in such Commodity Contract; or
- (c) failure by the relevant Trading Facility to announce or publish the settlement price for the Commodity Contract included in a Commodity Index.

### Potential Postponement of the Commodity Contract Determination Date corresponding to a Valuation Date

In the circumstances described above, the date on which a price of a Commodity Contract is determined (the "**Commodity Contract Determination Date**") may, or may not, be postponed until a day on which the price of the relevant Commodity Contract is published or can otherwise be determined by the Calculation Agent, subject to a long-stop date by which a price or level must be determined for the purpose of calculating the payments in respect of the relevant Commodity Linked Securities.

The occurrence of a Disruption Event may differ in respect of two or more Commodity Contracts in a Commodity Index and in such circumstances, the Commodity Contract Determination Date for such Commodity Contracts may or may not be different.

### Overview of Consequences

The Commodity Linked Conditions define the circumstances in which the determination of a level of a Commodity Index may be postponed and stipulate how such levels should be determined by reference to Commodity Linked Securities that relate to a Commodity Index and Valuation Dates.

The following overviews set out the default consequence in respect of each type of Commodity Linked Security linked to a Commodity Index if a Disruption Event has occurred in respect of a relevant Commodity Contract on the Valuation Date, though such overviews are subject to, and should be read in conjunction with, the more detailed contents of the Commodity Linked Conditions.

### Single Commodity Index and Valuation Dates

If a Disruption Event in respect of a Commodity Index occurs on a Valuation Date (which must be a **Scheduled Commodity Business Day** (i.e. a day (i) that is (or but for the occurrence of a Disruption Event, would have been) a day on which all the Trading Facilities, on which the contracts included in the Commodity Index are traded, are open for trading during their regular trading session, notwithstanding any such Trading Facility closing prior to its scheduled closing time and (ii) on which the offices of Goldman, Sachs & Co. are open for business) the Calculation Agent shall determine the closing level for such Commodity Index not by reference to the published value but in accordance with the then current calculation methodology for such Commodity Index using:

- (a) the settlement price of each Commodity Contract included in a Commodity Index unaffected by a Disruption Event on such Valuation Date; and
- (b) the settlement price of each Commodity Contract included in a Commodity Index affected by a Disruption Event on the first **Scheduled Commodity Trading Day** (i.e. a day on which the relevant Trading Facility on which such Commodity Contract are traded is scheduled to be



open for trading for its regular trading session) following such Valuation Date on which no Disruption Event is occurring, with a standard long-stop date of five Scheduled Commodity Trading Days (being the standard Maximum Days of Disruption), following the expiry of which the Calculation Agent shall determine the price of such Commodity Contract affected by such Disruption Event on the immediately following Scheduled Commodity Trading Day (and such date being the Commodity Contract Determination Date).

**Adjustments in terms of Commodity Linked Securities linked to a Commodity Index**

Following the occurrence of a Commodity Index Adjustment Event, the Calculation Agent may determine the closing level for such Commodity Index or make adjustments to the terms of the Commodity Linked Securities and calculations as described in the Conditions and/or the Commodity Linked Securities may be redeemed early.

**Commodity Index Adjustment Event** includes (i) **Commodity Index Modification**, which means that the relevant Commodity Index Sponsor makes a material non-prescribed change in the formula for determining the composition of the Commodity Index; (ii) **Commodity Index Cancellation**, which means that the Commodity Index has been cancelled and no successor exists; and (iii) **Commodity Index Failure**, which means that the relevant Commodity Index Sponsor fails to calculate and announce the Commodity Index or a successor.

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Commodity Linked Notes and Commodity Linked Instruments**

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| 10.1  | Aluminium  | 11.11 | Gold         | 11.21 | RBOB Gasoline |
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| 10.3  | Coal   | 11.13 | Kansas Wheat | 11.23 | Soybeans      |
| 10.4  | Cocoa  | 11.14 | Lead         | 11.24 | Soybean Oil   |
| 10.5  | Coffee   | 11.15 | Lean Hogs    | 11.25 | Sugar         |
| 10.6  | Copper   | 11.16 | Live Cattle  | 11.26 | Wheat         |
| 10.7  | Corn   | 11.17 | Natural Gas  | 11.27 | WTI Crude Oil |
| 10.8  | Cotton   | 11.18 | Nickel       | 11.28 | Zinc          |
| 10.9  | Feeder Cattle  | 11.19 | Palladium    |       |               |
| 10.10 | Gas Oil  | 11.20 | Platinum     |       |               |

These Commodity Linked Provisions shall apply to Instruments for which the relevant Final Terms specify that the Commodity Linked Instruments are applicable and to Notes for which the relevant Final Terms specify that the Commodity Linked Notes are applicable.

1. **Consequences of Non-Scheduled Commodity Business Days, Non-Common Scheduled Commodity Business Days or Disrupted Days**

1.1 **Single Commodity and Pricing Dates**

Where the Commodity Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to a single Commodity, and

- (a) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Pricing Date in respect of any Commodity is a Scheduled Commodity Business Day that is not a Disrupted Day for such Commodity, then the Pricing Date for such Commodity shall be such Scheduled Pricing Date;
- (b) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Pricing Date in respect of such Commodity is not a Scheduled Commodity Business Day, then the Pricing Date in respect of such Commodity shall be the first succeeding day that is a Scheduled Commodity Business Day for such Commodity;
- (c) if the Calculation Agent determines that the Pricing Date in respect of such Commodity is a Disrupted Day and, if the relevant Final Terms specify the consequence ("**Disruption Fallback**"):
  - (i) "**Calculation Agent Determination**" to be applicable, then the Calculation Agent will determine the Relevant Price (or a method for determining a Relevant Price), taking into consideration the latest available quotation for the relevant Commodity Reference Price and any other information that it deems relevant on such Pricing Date;
  - (ii) "**Delayed Publication or Announcement**" to be applicable, then the Relevant Price for a Pricing Date will be determined based on the Specified Price (or, if there is no Specified Price for a Commodity Reference Price, such Commodity Reference Price) in respect of such Pricing Date that is published or announced by the Price Source retrospectively on the first succeeding Scheduled Commodity Business Day that the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day in respect of such Commodity, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Commodity Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption in respect of such Commodity immediately following such Pricing Date is a Disrupted Day or the Relevant Price continues to be unavailable for consecutive Scheduled Commodity Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption. In that case, the next Disruption Fallback specified in the relevant Final Terms will apply, or, if no such Disruption Fallback is specified or is deemed to be specified, the price for the Pricing Date will be subject to Calculation Agent Determination;
  - (iii) "**Fallback Reference Dealers**" to be applicable, then the Relevant Price will be determined in accordance with the Commodity Reference Price, "**Commodity — Reference Dealers**";
  - (iv) "**Fallback Reference Price**" to be applicable, then the Calculation Agent will determine the Relevant Price based on the price for that Pricing Date of the first alternate Commodity Reference Price, if any, specified in the relevant Final Terms that the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day in respect of such Commodity, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Commodity Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption in respect of such Commodity immediately following such Pricing Date is a Disrupted Day. In that case, the next Disruption Fallback specified in the relevant Final Terms will apply, or, if no such Disruption Fallback is specified or is deemed to be specified, the price for the Pricing Date will be subject to Calculation Agent Determination; or

- (v) **"Postponement"** to be applicable, then the Pricing Date for such Commodity shall be postponed to the first succeeding Scheduled Commodity Business Day that the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day in respect of such Commodity, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Commodity Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption in respect of such Commodity immediately following such Pricing Date is a Disrupted Day for such Commodity. In that case:
  - (A) the Scheduled Commodity Business Day immediately following the expiry of the Maximum Days of Disruption shall be deemed to be the Pricing Date for such Commodity, notwithstanding the fact that such day may, or may not, be a Disrupted Day for such Commodity; and
  - (B) the Relevant Price for the Pricing Date will be subject to Calculation Agent Determination;provided that,
- (vi) if the relevant Final Terms specify **"No Adjustment"** to be applicable, then the Pricing Date for such Commodity shall be the Scheduled Pricing Date, notwithstanding that such Scheduled Pricing Date is not a Scheduled Commodity Business Day or is a Disrupted Day for such Commodity, and the Relevant Price shall be subject to Calculation Agent Determination on such Pricing Date, and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (vi) shall be deemed to be the Relevant Price in respect of the relevant Pricing Date;
- (d) the relevant Final Terms may provide that one or more of the Disruption Fallbacks may apply to any Pricing Date, and that such applicable Disruption Fallbacks may apply concurrently or sequentially, in such manner as specified in the relevant Final Terms;
- (e) the relevant Final Terms may provide that different Disruption Fallbacks may apply in respect of different Pricing Dates;
- (f) if the relevant Final Terms provide that both **"Delayed Publication or Announcement"** and **"Postponement"** shall be applicable Disruption Fallbacks for a Pricing Date, then, unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms, both such Disruption Fallbacks are to operate concurrently with the other and each shall be subject to the applicable Maximum Days of Disruption, and the price determined by Postponement will be the Relevant Price only if Delayed Publication or Announcement does not yield a Relevant Price within the Maximum Days of Disruption; and
- (g) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Pricing Date is a Disrupted Day in respect of such Commodity and, the relevant Final Terms do not specify a Disruption Fallback, then the Disruption Fallback of **"Postponement"** (with five (5) Scheduled Commodity Business Days as the Maximum Days of Disruption) will be deemed to have been specified.

**1.2 Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Individual Scheduled Commodity Business Day and Individual Disrupted Day**

Where the Commodity Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to a Commodity Basket and such Final Terms specify **"Basket Valuation (Individual Scheduled Commodity Business Day and Individual Disrupted Day)"** to be applicable to any two or more Commodities, and,

- (a) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Pricing Date in respect of any Commodity in the Commodity Basket is a Scheduled Commodity Business Day that is not a Disrupted Day for such Commodity, then the Pricing Date for such Commodity shall be such Scheduled Pricing Date;
- (b) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Pricing Date in respect of any Commodity in the Commodity Basket is not a Scheduled Commodity Business Day for such

Commodity, then the Pricing Date in respect of such Commodity shall be the first succeeding day that is a Scheduled Commodity Business Day for such Commodity;

- (c) if the Calculation Agent determines that the Pricing Date for a Commodity is a Disrupted Day for such Commodity, and, if the relevant Final Terms specify the consequence ("**Disruption Fallback**"):
- (i) "**Calculation Agent Determination**" to be applicable, then the Calculation Agent will determine the Relevant Price (or a method for determining a Relevant Price), taking into consideration the latest available quotation for the relevant Commodity Reference Price and any other information that it deems relevant on such Pricing Date;
  - (ii) "**Delayed Publication or Announcement**" to be applicable, then the Relevant Price for a Pricing Date will be determined based on the Specified Price (or, if there is no Specified Price for a Commodity Reference Price, such Commodity Reference Price) in respect of such Pricing Date that is published or announced by the Price Source retrospectively on the first succeeding Scheduled Commodity Business Day that the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day in respect of such Commodity, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Commodity Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption in respect of such Commodity immediately following such Pricing Date is a Disrupted Day or the Relevant Price continues to be unavailable for consecutive Scheduled Commodity Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption. In that case, the next Disruption Fallback specified in the relevant Final Terms will apply, or, if no such Disruption Fallback is specified or is deemed to be specified, the price for the Pricing Date will be subject to Calculation Agent Determination;
  - (iii) "**Fallback Reference Dealers**" to be applicable, then the Relevant Price will be determined in accordance with the Commodity Reference Price, "**Commodity — Reference Dealers**";
  - (iv) "**Fallback Reference Price**" to be applicable, then the Calculation Agent will determine the Relevant Price based on the price for that Pricing Date of the first alternate Commodity Reference Price, if any, specified in the relevant Final Terms that the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day in respect of such Commodity, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Commodity Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption in respect of such Commodity immediately following such Pricing Date is a Disrupted Day. In that case, the next Disruption Fallback specified in the relevant Final Terms will apply, or, if no such Disruption Fallback is specified or is deemed to be specified, the price for the Pricing Date will be subject to Calculation Agent Determination; or
  - (v) "**Postponement**" to be applicable, then the Pricing Date for such Commodity shall be postponed to the first succeeding Scheduled Commodity Business Day that the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day in respect of such Commodity, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Commodity Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption in respect of such Commodity immediately following such Pricing Date is a Disrupted Day for such Commodity. In that case:
    - (A) the Scheduled Commodity Business Day immediately following the expiry of the Maximum Days of Disruption shall be deemed to be the Pricing Date for such Commodity, notwithstanding the fact that such day may, or may not, be a Disrupted Day for such Commodity; and
    - (B) the Relevant Price for the Pricing Date will be subject to Calculation Agent Determination;

provided that,

- (vi) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then the Pricing Date for such Commodity shall be the Scheduled Pricing Date, notwithstanding the fact that such Scheduled Pricing Date is not a Scheduled Commodity Business Day or is a Disrupted Day for any Commodity, and the Relevant Price shall be subject to Calculation Agent Determination on such Pricing Date, and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (vi) shall be deemed to be the Relevant Price in respect of the relevant Pricing Date;
- (d) the relevant Final Terms may provide that one or more of the Disruption Fallbacks may apply to any Pricing Date, and that such applicable Disruption Fallbacks may apply concurrently or sequentially, in such manner as specified in the relevant Final Terms;
- (e) the relevant Final Terms may provide that different Disruption Fallbacks may apply in respect of different Pricing Dates;
- (f) if the relevant Final Terms provide that both "**Delayed Publication or Announcement**" and "**Postponement**" shall be applicable Disruption Fallbacks for a Pricing Date, then, unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms, both such Disruption Fallbacks are to operate concurrently with the other and each shall be subject to the applicable Maximum Days of Disruption, and the price determined by Postponement will be the Relevant Price only if Delayed Publication or Announcement does not yield a Relevant Price within the Maximum Days of Disruption; and
- (g) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Pricing Date is a Disrupted Day in respect of any Commodity and, the relevant Final Terms do not specify a Disruption Fallback, then the Disruption Fallback of "**Postponement**" (with five (5) Scheduled Commodity Business Days as the Maximum Days of Disruption) will be deemed to have been specified.

**1.3 Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day but Individual Disrupted Day**

Where the Commodity Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to a Commodity Basket and such Final Terms specify "**Basket Valuation (Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day but Individual Disrupted Day)**" to be applicable to any two or more Commodities (such Commodities being "**Common Basket Commodities**" and each a "**Common Basket Commodity**" for the purposes of this Commodity Linked Condition 1.3), the following provisions shall apply:

- (a) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Pricing Date is a Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day that is not a Disrupted Day for each Common Basket Commodity, then the Pricing Date for each Common Basket Commodity shall be such Scheduled Pricing Date;
- (b) if the Calculation Agent determines that (I) any Scheduled Pricing Date is a Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day but is a Disrupted Day for one or more Common Basket Commodities, or (II) any Scheduled Pricing Date is not a Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day, in which case the Pricing Date for each Common Basket Commodity shall be the first succeeding Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day following such Scheduled Pricing Date, provided that if such Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day is a Disrupted Day for one or more Common Basket Commodities, then, in respect of (I) and (II) the following provisions shall apply:
  - (i) if the Calculation Agent determines that such Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day is not a Disrupted Day for a Common Basket Commodity, then the Pricing Date for such Common Basket Commodity shall be such Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day;
  - (ii) if the Calculation Agent determines that such Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day is a Disrupted Day for a Common Basket Commodity (such Common Basket Commodities being "**Affected Common Basket Commodities**" for such Pricing Date, and each such Common Basket Commodity being an "**Affected**

**Common Basket Commodity**" for such Pricing Date), and, if the relevant Final Terms specify the consequence ("**Disruption Fallback**"):

- (A) "**Calculation Agent Determination**" to be applicable, then the Calculation Agent will determine the Relevant Price (or a method for determining a Relevant Price), for such Affected Common Basket Commodity taking into consideration the latest available quotation for the relevant Commodity Reference Price and any other information that it deems relevant on such Pricing Date;
- (B) "**Delayed Publication or Announcement**" to be applicable, then the Relevant Price for a Pricing Date for such Affected Common Basket Commodity will be determined based on the Specified Price (or, if there is no Specified Price for a Commodity Reference Price, such Commodity Reference Price) in respect of such Pricing Date that is published or announced by the Price Source retrospectively on the first succeeding Scheduled Commodity Business Day that the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day in respect of such Affected Common Basket Commodity, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Commodity Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption in respect of such Affected Common Basket Commodity immediately following such Pricing Date is a Disrupted Day or the Relevant Price continues to be unavailable for consecutive Scheduled Commodity Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption. In that case, the next Disruption Fallback specified in the relevant Final Terms will apply, or, if no such Disruption Fallback is specified or is deemed to be specified, the price for the Pricing Date will be subject to Calculation Agent Determination;
- (C) "**Fallback Reference Dealers**" to be applicable, then the Relevant Price will be determined in accordance with the Commodity Reference Price, "**Commodity — Reference Dealers**";
- (D) "**Fallback Reference Price**" to be applicable, then the Calculation Agent will determine the Relevant Price for such Affected Common Basket Commodity based on the price for that Pricing Date of the first alternate Commodity Reference Price, if any, specified in the relevant Final Terms that the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day in respect of such Affected Common Basket Commodity, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Commodity Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption in respect of such Commodity immediately following such Pricing Date is a Disrupted Day. In that case, the next Disruption Fallback specified in the relevant Final Terms will apply, or, if no such Disruption Fallback is specified or is deemed to be specified, the price for the Pricing Date will be subject to Calculation Agent Determination; or
- (E) "**Postponement**" to be applicable, then the Pricing Date for such Affected Common Basket Commodity shall be postponed to the first succeeding Scheduled Commodity Business Day that the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day in respect of such Affected Common Basket Commodity, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Commodity Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption in respect of such Affected Common Basket Commodity immediately following the Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day is a Disrupted Day for such Affected Common Basket Commodity. In that case:
  - (1) the Scheduled Commodity Business Day immediately following the expiry of the Maximum Days of Disruption shall be deemed to be the Pricing Date for such Affected Common Basket Commodity, notwithstanding the fact that such day may, or may not, be a Disrupted Day for such Affected Common Basket Commodity; and

- (2) the Relevant Price for the Pricing Date will be subject to Calculation Agent Determination;

provided that,

- (F) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then the Pricing Date for each Common Basket Commodity shall be the Scheduled Pricing Date, notwithstanding the fact that such Scheduled Pricing Date is not a Scheduled Commodity Business Day or is a Disrupted Day for any Common Basket Commodity, and the Relevant Price shall be subject to Calculation Agent Determination on such Pricing Date, and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (F) shall be deemed to be the Relevant Price in respect of the relevant Pricing Date;
- (c) the relevant Final Terms may provide that one or more of the Disruption Fallbacks may apply to any Pricing Date, and that such applicable Disruption Fallbacks may apply concurrently or sequentially, in such manner as specified in the relevant Final Terms;
- (d) the relevant Final Terms may provide that different Disruption Fallbacks may apply in respect of different Pricing Dates;
- (e) if the relevant Final Terms provide that both "**Delayed Publication or Announcement**" and "**Postponement**" shall be applicable Disruption Fallbacks for a Pricing Date, then, unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms, both such Disruption Fallbacks are to operate concurrently with the other and each shall be subject to the applicable Maximum Days of Disruption, and the price determined by Postponement will be the Relevant Price only if Delayed Publication or Announcement does not yield a Relevant Price within the Maximum Days of Disruption; and
- (f) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Pricing Date is a Disrupted Day in respect of any Commodity and, the relevant Final Terms do not specify a Disruption Fallback, then the Disruption Fallback of "**Postponement**" (with five (5) Scheduled Commodity Business Days as the Maximum Days of Disruption) will be deemed to have been specified.

## 2. **Successor Entity Calculates and Reports a Commodity Reference Price**

If in respect of any relevant Pricing Date or any other relevant date which is utilised for any calculation or determination, either a Commodity Reference Price is (i) not announced or published by the Price Source but is calculated and announced by a successor entity acceptable to the Calculation Agent or (ii) replaced by a successor commodity price calculated using, as determined by the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of such Commodity Reference Price, then in each case, such price as so calculated will be deemed to be the Commodity Reference Price.

## 3. **Corrections to Published Commodity Reference Prices**

If a Commodity Reference Price published or announced on a given day and used or to be used by the Calculation Agent to determine a Relevant Price or other amount on any Pricing Date or any other relevant date which is utilised for any calculation or determination is subsequently corrected and the correction is published or announced by the Trading Facility or any other person responsible for such publication or announcement (i) by the second Scheduled Commodity Business Day prior to the date on which any payment is due (or such other time frame as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms; provided that different time frames may be specified in the relevant Final Terms for different days or Pricing Dates) after the original publication or announcement, or (ii) if a Correction Cut-off Date is specified in the relevant Final Terms to be applicable to such Pricing Date, if earlier, by such Correction Cut-off Date, such corrected price shall be the Commodity Reference Price, and the Calculation Agent, to the extent it deems necessary, may determine to make appropriate adjustments to any of the terms of the Commodity Linked Securities to account for such correction.



#### 4. **Fallback Pricing Date for a Single Commodity or Commodity Basket**

Where the Commodity Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to a Commodity or a Commodity Basket, and notwithstanding any other terms of these Commodity Linked Conditions, if a Fallback Pricing Date is specified in the relevant Final Terms to be applicable to any Pricing Date or any other relevant date (as specified in the relevant Final Terms) (any such date being, for the purposes of this Commodity Linked Condition 4, a "**Relevant Date**") for a Commodity, and if, following adjustment of such Relevant Date pursuant to Commodity Linked Condition 1 (*Consequences of Non-Scheduled Commodity Business Days, Non-Common Scheduled Commodity Business Days or Disrupted Days*) above (for the purposes of this Commodity Linked Condition 4, an "**Affected Commodity**"), the Pricing Date would otherwise fall after the specified Fallback Pricing Date in respect of such Affected Commodity, then (unless otherwise, and to the extent, specified in the relevant Final Terms) such Fallback Pricing Date shall be deemed to be such Relevant Date for such Affected Commodity.

If such Fallback Pricing Date is not a Scheduled Commodity Business Day or a Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day or is a Disrupted Day in respect of such Affected Commodity, the Relevant Price of such Affected Commodity shall be subject to Calculation Agent Determination on such Fallback Pricing Date, and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this Commodity Linked Condition 4 shall be deemed to be the Relevant Price in respect of the relevant Pricing Date.

#### 5. **Consequences of Disruption Days and Disruption Events in respect of a Commodity Index**

Where the Commodity Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to a single Commodity Index, and,

- (a) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Valuation Date in respect of such Commodity Index is a Scheduled Commodity Business Day that is not a Disrupted Day for such Commodity Index, then the Valuation Date for such Commodity Index shall be such Scheduled Valuation Date;
- (b) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Valuation Date in respect of such Commodity Index is not a Scheduled Commodity Business Day, then the Valuation Date in respect of such Commodity Index shall be the first succeeding day that is a Scheduled Commodity Business Day for such Commodity Index;
- (c) if the Calculation Agent determines that the Valuation Date in respect of such Commodity Index is a Disrupted Day, then the Closing Level of such Commodity Index shall not be determined by reference to the Relevant Screen Page but shall be determined by the Calculation Agent as follows:
  - (i) if the Calculation Agent determines that such Valuation Date is not a Disrupted Day in respect of a Commodity Contract included in such Commodity Index (an "**Unaffected Commodity Contract**"), the Closing Level of such Commodity Index will be based on the settlement price of such Unaffected Commodity Contract published by the relevant Trading Facility on such Valuation Date;
  - (ii) if the Calculation Agent determines that such Valuation Date is a Disrupted Day in respect of a Commodity Contract included in such Commodity Index (an "**Affected Commodity Contract**"), the Closing Level of such Commodity Index will be based on the settlement price of such Affected Commodity Contract published by the relevant Trading Facility on the first succeeding Scheduled Commodity Trading Day which the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day for such Affected Commodity Contract, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Commodity Trading Days relating to such Affected Commodity Contract equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption immediately following such Valuation Date is a Disrupted Day for such Affected Commodity Contract, then the price of such Affected Commodity Contract to be used in calculating the Closing Level

of such Commodity Index for such Valuation Date shall be determined by the Calculation Agent on the Scheduled Commodity Trading Day relating to such Affected Commodity Contract immediately following the expiry of the Maximum Days of Disruption, notwithstanding that such day may, or may not, be a Disrupted Day for such Affected Commodity Contract; and

- (iii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Closing Level of the Commodity Index by reference to the settlement price or other prices of each Commodity Contract included in such Commodity Index determined pursuant to sub-paragraphs (i) and (ii) above using the then current method for calculating the Commodity Index on the Latest Determination Date; and
- (d) if the offices of the Calculation Agent are not open for business on any relevant Commodity Contract Determination Date, then such calculation will be made by Goldman, Sachs & Co. or another affiliate of the Calculation Agent.

## 6. Adjustments for a Commodity Index

### 6.1 Successor Commodity Index Sponsor or Successor Commodity Index

If a Commodity Index is (i) not calculated and announced by the Commodity Index Sponsor but is calculated and announced by a successor commodity index sponsor acceptable to the Calculation Agent (the "**Successor Commodity Index Sponsor**"), or (ii) replaced by a successor commodity index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar specification or formula for, and method of, calculation as used in the calculation of such Commodity Index (the "**Successor Commodity Index**"), then in the case of (i), the Successor Commodity Index Sponsor will be deemed to be the Commodity Index Sponsor for such Commodity Index; and in the case of (ii), the Successor Commodity Index will be deemed to be the Commodity Index.

### 6.2 Occurrence of a Commodity Index Adjustment Event

If, in respect of a Commodity Index, the Calculation Agent determines that,

- (a) on or prior to any Valuation Date or other relevant date, (i) the relevant Commodity Index Sponsor makes, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, a material change in the weighting or composition of the Commodity Index or the formula for, or the method of, calculating or determining the composition of such Commodity Index, as the case may be, or in any other way materially modifies such Commodity Index (other than a change or modification prescribed in that formula or method relating to the weighting or composition of such Commodity Index, the weighting of the components of such Commodity Index and/or other routine events or modifications as determined by the Calculation Agent) (a "**Commodity Index Modification**"), or (ii) the relevant Commodity Index Sponsor permanently cancels or ceases to calculate the relevant Commodity Index and no Successor Commodity Index exists as at the date of such cancellation or cessation (a "**Commodity Index Cancellation**"), or
- (b) on any Valuation Date or other relevant date, (i) in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the Closing Level of the relevant Commodity Index contains a manifest error, or (ii) in the absence of a Disruption Event, the Commodity Index Sponsor fails to calculate and announce the Closing Level of such Commodity Index and a Successor Commodity Index is not calculated and announced (a "**Commodity Index Failure**" and, together with a Commodity Index Modification and a Commodity Index Cancellation, each a "**Commodity Index Adjustment Event**"),

then the Calculation Agent shall determine if such Commodity Index Adjustment Event has a material effect on the Commodity Linked Securities and, if so,

- (i) shall calculate the relevant Closing Level using, in lieu of a published level for that Commodity Index, the level for such Commodity Index as at that Valuation Date or other relevant date, as the case may be, in accordance with the formula for, and method of, calculating the Closing Level of such Commodity Index last in effect prior to the relevant Commodity Index Adjustment Event, utilising any adjustment to such formula

for or the method of calculating the Closing Level of such Commodity Index as it determines to be commercially reasonable, or

- (ii) may determine the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any one or more of the terms of the Commodity Linked Securities, including without limitation, any variable or term relevant to the settlement or payment under the Commodity Linked Securities, as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for such Commodity Index Adjustment Event, and shall determine the effective date of that adjustment but,
- (iii) if the determination of the Calculation Agent, neither paragraph (i) nor (ii) above, as is applicable, would achieve a commercially reasonable result, on giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) or General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*), as the case may be, the Issuer shall redeem the Commodity Linked Securities in whole but not in part, each Commodity Linked Security being redeemed by payment of an amount equal to the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount of such Commodity Linked Security taking into account such Commodity Index Adjustment Event, as determined by the Calculation Agent. Payments will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) or General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*), as the case may be.
- (iv) Notwithstanding paragraphs (i), (ii) and (iii) above, if such Commodity Index Adjustment Event has a material effect on the Commodity Linked Securities, the Calculation Agent may, in its discretion, instead determine the relevant level of the Commodity Index, in lieu of a published level for the Commodity Index, in a commercially reasonable manner.

In any such circumstances as described in the preceding paragraph or in paragraphs (i), (ii) and (iii) above, the Calculation Agent will have no responsibility (in the absence of manifest error) to any person for errors or omissions made in the calculation of the Commodity Index. The Calculation Agent shall not act as agent of the Holders.

#### 7. **Corrections to Published Closing Levels in respect of a Commodity Index**

If a Closing Level in respect of a Commodity Index published on a Valuation Date is subsequently corrected and the correction is published by the Commodity Index Sponsor or the Successor Commodity Index Sponsor, as the case may be, not later than 12.00 noon (New York City time) on the Scheduled Commodity Business Day immediately following such Valuation Date then the corrected closing level for such Valuation Date shall be deemed to be the Closing Level for such Valuation Date and the Calculation Agent shall use the corrected closing level in accordance with the above provisions, provided that the foregoing provisions shall not apply to any correction to the Closing Level published on or after the Scheduled Commodity Business Day immediately preceding the Maturity Date.

#### 8. **Change of applicable law**

Upon an Issuer becoming aware of the occurrence of a Change in Law, such Issuer may in its sole and absolute discretion (i) make such amendments or adjustments to the Conditions as may be required such that its performance under the Commodity Linked Securities shall no longer be unlawful or impracticable under applicable law, provided that such amendments or adjustments are effected in such a manner as to preserve insofar as possible and practicable the commercial terms of the Commodity Linked Securities prior to such amendments or adjustments (and provided further that any proposed substitution of the Issuer may only be effected in accordance with General Instrument Condition 22 (*Substitution*) or General Note Condition 23 (*Substitution*) (as applicable)), or (ii) redeem the Commodity Linked Securities on such day as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) or General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*) (as applicable) (such notice shall be the "**Early Redemption Notice**" and such notice may specify the date when the Change in Law occurred (such date, the "**Change in Law Effective Date**") and will, if and to the extent permitted by applicable law, pay to the Holder in respect of each Commodity Linked Security the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount on such day.

The preceding paragraph shall apply in respect of each Commodity Linked Security which has not been redeemed on or prior to the Change in Law Effective Date, and, for the avoidance of doubt, if an Instrument has been exercised pursuant to General Instrument Condition 7 and General Instrument Condition 8 on or prior to the Change in Law Effective Date in respect of such Instrument, but such Instrument has not yet been redeemed on or prior to such date, then such exercise pursuant General Instrument Condition 7 and General Instrument Condition 8 shall be deemed to be void and of no effect, and such Instrument shall be redeemed in accordance with and pursuant to the preceding paragraph.

General Instrument Condition 14 (*Change of applicable law*) and General Note Condition 17 (*Change of applicable law*) shall not apply to Commodity Linked Securities. However, this Commodity Linked Condition 8 shall not affect the validity of any other change of law provisions in other Underlying Asset Conditions which also apply in respect of any particular Securities: in the event of a conflict between the terms of this Commodity Linked Condition 8 and any such change of law provision of other applicable Underlying Asset Conditions, the Calculation Agent may resolve such conflict in its sole and absolute discretion.

## 9. General Definitions

The following terms and expressions shall have the following meanings in relation to Commodity Linked Securities to which these Commodity Linked Conditions apply:

**"Affected Commodity"** has the meaning given thereto in Commodity Linked Condition 4 (*Fallback Pricing Date for a Single Commodity or Commodity Basket*).

**"Affected Common Basket Commodity"** and **"Affected Common Basket Commodities"** have the meaning given thereto in Commodity Linked Condition 1.3(b)(ii) (*Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day but Individual Disrupted Day*).

**"Affected Commodity Contract"** has the meaning given thereto in Commodity Linked Condition 5(c)(ii) (*Consequences of Disruption Days and Disruption Events in respect of a Commodity Index*).

**"Automatic Early Exercise Date"** means, unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms in respect of any Applicable Date, such date as is specified in the relevant Final Terms (each, a **"Scheduled Automatic Early Exercise Date"**), provided that:

- (i) in respect of a single Commodity or a Commodity Basket, if the relevant Applicable Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, the corresponding Automatic Early Exercise Date in respect of such Applicable Date will instead be the day falling the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Automatic Early Exercise Settlement Period Business Days after the Latest Pricing Date corresponding to such Applicable Date; or
- (ii) in respect of a Commodity Index, if the relevant Applicable Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, or if the relevant Applicable Date is a Disrupted Day, the corresponding Automatic Early Exercise Date in respect of such Applicable Date will instead be the day falling the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Automatic Early Exercise Settlement Period Business Days after the Latest Determination Date in respect of such Applicable Date.

**"Automatic Early Redemption Date"** means, unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms in respect of any Applicable Date, such date as is specified in the relevant Final Terms (each, a **"Scheduled Automatic Early Redemption Date"**), provided that:

- (i) in respect of a single Commodity or a Commodity Basket, if the relevant Applicable Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, the corresponding Automatic Early Redemption Date in respect of such Applicable Date will instead be the day falling the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Automatic Early Redemption Settlement Period Business Days after the Latest Pricing Date corresponding to such Applicable Date; or
- (ii) in respect of a Commodity Index, if the relevant Applicable Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, or if the relevant Applicable Date is a Disrupted Day, the corresponding Automatic Early Redemption Date in respect of such Applicable Date will instead be the day

falling the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Automatic Early Redemption Settlement Period Business Days after the Latest Determination Date in respect of such Applicable Date.

**"Calculation Agent Determination"** has the meaning given thereto in Commodity Linked Condition 1.1(c)(i) (*Single Commodity and Pricing Dates*), Commodity Linked Condition 1.2(c)(i) (*Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Individual Scheduled Commodity Business Day and Individual Disrupted Day*) and Commodity Linked Condition 1.3(b)(ii)(A) (*Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day but Individual Disrupted Day*), as applicable.

**"CBOT"** means the Chicago Board of Trade or its successor, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Change in Law"** means any event or action or announcement of the intention to take any action, on or after the Trade Date, that in the reasonable determination of the Calculation Agent adversely affects the ability of the Issuer or any of its affiliates (together **"GS"**) to establish or maintain Hedging Positions with respect to the Commodity Linked Securities, that are reasonably necessary to the management of risk arising from the Commodity Linked Securities, including, but not limited to, any applicable law, regulation, ruling, rule, procedure or order (**"Applicable Laws"**) or the amendment, reinterpretation or promulgation of an interpretation of any such Applicable Laws by any regulatory, self-regulatory or legislative body, judicial authority, tax authority with competent jurisdiction (**"Regulatory Authority"**) (including, without limitation, as implemented by any United States, European or Asian Regulatory Authority (including the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and the Relevant European Authorities) or exchange, trading facility, central counterparty or other clearing organisation that results in (a) the elimination, limitation, withdrawal or unavailability for any reason of any hedge exemptions from applicable position limits previously granted to GS by any such Regulatory Authority or any such exchange, trading facility, central counterparty or other clearing organisation, or any hedge exemptions otherwise available to GS under Applicable Laws; or (b) a restriction or revision of existing position limits applicable to GS in respect of, or the imposition of position limits to, any Hedging Positions established by GS in connection with the Commodity Linked Securities to the extent that such application prevents or adversely affects GS from establishing or maintaining Hedging Positions that are reasonably necessary in order for it to manage the risk arising from or in connection with the Commodity Linked Securities, or such other Applicable Laws of any jurisdiction which have an analogous affect to any events specified in (a) and (b) above; or (c) the Issuer or any of its affiliates incurring a materially increased cost in performing the Issuer's obligations under the Commodity Linked Securities or in acquiring, establishing, re-establishing, substituting, unwinding, maintaining or disposing of any Hedge Positions with respect to the Commodity Linked Securities (including, without limitation, due to any mandatory margining or clearing requirement, any increase in capital charges, taxes or level of capital that is required to be set aside in respect of the Commodity Linked Securities or such Hedge Positions).

**"Closing Level"** means, in respect of a Commodity Index and a Valuation Date or any other relevant date, the official closing level of the Commodity Index as announced and published on the Relevant Screen Page on such Valuation Date or such other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent, or, if a Disruption Event occurs in respect of a Commodity Index and a relevant date, as calculated by the Calculation Agent in accordance with Commodity Linked Condition 5 (*Consequences of Disruption Days and Disruption Events in respect of a Commodity Index*), as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"CME"** means the Chicago Mercantile Exchange or its successor, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Commodity"** means each commodity as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Commodity Basket"** means a basket comprising Commodities in the relative proportions or numbers of Commodities, as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Commodity Contract"** means:

- (a) in respect of a Commodity and a Commodity Reference Price, the contract for future delivery of a contract size in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to the Commodity referred to in that Commodity Reference Price;

- (b) in respect of a Commodity Index, each of the contracts that is traded on a Trading Facility and that provides for future delivery of, or provides for cash settlement based on the price of, a deliverable commodity included in such Commodity Index.

**"Commodity Contract Determination Date"** means, in respect of an Affected Commodity Contract included in a Commodity Index the day on which the settlement price of such Affected Commodity Contract is determined in accordance with Commodity Linked Condition 5(c)(ii) (*Consequences of Disruption Days and Disruption Events in respect of a Commodity Index*).

**"Commodity Index"** means an index that includes Commodity Contracts in respect of Commodities specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Commodity Index Adjustment Event"** means each of Commodity Index Cancellation, Commodity Index Failure and Commodity Index Modification.

**"Commodity Index Cancellation"** has the meaning given thereto in Commodity Linked Condition 6.2(a) (*Occurrence of a Commodity Index Adjustment Event*).

**"Commodity Index Failure"** has the meaning given thereto in Commodity Linked Condition 6.2(b) (*Occurrence of a Commodity Index Adjustment Event*).

**"Commodity Index Modification"** has the meaning given thereto in Commodity Linked Condition 6.2(a) (*Occurrence of a Commodity Index Adjustment Event*).

**"Commodity Index Sponsor"** means, in respect of a Commodity Index, the entity specified in the relevant Final Terms, that the Calculation Agent determines is (a) responsible for setting and reviewing the rules and procedures and the methods of calculation and adjustments, if any, related to such Commodity Index, and (b) announces (directly or through an agent) the level of such Commodity Index on a regular basis, or its successor as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Commodity Linked Securities"** means Commodity Linked Notes or Commodity Linked Instruments, as the case may be.

**"Commodity — Reference Dealers"** means that the price for a Pricing Date will be determined on the basis of quotations provided by Reference Dealers on that Pricing Date of that day's Specified Price (or, if there is no Specified Price for a Commodity Reference Price, such Commodity Reference Price) for a Unit of the Relevant Commodity for delivery on the Delivery Date (or, if there is no Delivery Date for a Commodity Reference Price, for delivery on such date that forms the basis on which such Commodity Reference Price is quoted). If four quotations are provided as requested, the price for that Pricing Date will be the arithmetic mean of the Specified Prices (or, if there is no Specified Price for a Commodity Reference Price, of such Commodity Reference Prices for the relevant date and time) for that Commodity provided by each Reference Dealer, without regard to the Specified Prices (or, as the case may be, Commodity Reference Prices for the relevant date and time) having the highest and lowest values. If exactly three quotations are provided as requested, the price for that Pricing Date will be the Specified Price (or, as the case may be, Commodity Reference Price for the relevant date and time) provided by the relevant Reference Dealer that remains after disregarding the Specified Prices (or, as the case may be, Commodity Reference Prices for the relevant date and time) having the highest and lowest values. For this purpose, if more than one quotation has the same highest or lowest value, then the Specified Price (or, as the case may be, Commodity Reference Price for the relevant date and time) of one of such quotations shall be disregarded. If fewer than three quotations are provided, then the next Disruption Fallback specified in the relevant Final Terms will apply, or, if no such Disruption Fallback is specified or is deemed to be specified, the price for the Pricing Date will be subject to Calculation Agent Determination.

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of a Commodity, any of the reference price set forth in Commodity Linked Condition 10 (*Commodity Reference Price and Related Definitions*) specified as such in the relevant Final Terms or if the relevant Final Terms specify "Commodity Reference Price Framework Determination", the Commodity Reference Price in respect of a Commodity and a Pricing Date or any other relevant date as determined by the Calculation Agent will be:

- (a) the Specified Price per Unit of the Commodity on the relevant Exchange and if a Delivery Date is specified in the relevant Final Terms, for delivery on the Delivery Date, stated in the

relevant currency of such Specified Price, as made public by the Trading Facility on that Pricing Date or such other relevant date; or

- (b) the Specified Price per Unit of the Commodity and if a Delivery Date is specified in the relevant Final Terms, for the Delivery Date, stated in the relevant currency of such Specified Price, published or displayed on the Price Source that publishes or displays prices effective on that Pricing Date or such other relevant date,

in each case, specified as such in the relevant Final Terms for that Commodity and subject to adjustment in accordance with the Commodity Linked Conditions.

**"Common Basket Commodity"** and **"Common Basket Commodities"** have the meaning given thereto in Commodity Linked Condition 1.3 (*Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day but Individual Disrupted Day*).

**"Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day"** means, in respect of Common Basket Commodities, each day which is a Scheduled Commodity Business Day for all Common Basket Commodities.

**"Correction Cut-off Date"** means, if specified in the relevant Final Terms to be applicable to any date on which the price of a Commodity is required to be determined, the date(s) specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, or such number of Business Days as specified in the relevant Final Terms prior to the next following date upon which any payment or delivery of assets may have to be made by the Issuer by reference to the price of such Commodity on such day, unless "Default Correction Cut-off Date" is specified in the Final Terms to be applicable in respect of any date on which the price of such Commodity is required to be determined, then the Correction Cut-off Date for such Commodity and such date shall be the second Business Day prior to the next following date upon which any payment or delivery of assets may have to be made by the Issuer by reference to the price of such Commodity on such day.

**"Delayed Publication or Announcement"** has the meaning given thereto in Commodity Linked Condition 1.1(c)(ii) (*Single Commodity and Pricing Dates*), Commodity Linked Condition 1.2(c)(ii) (*Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Individual Scheduled Commodity Business Day and Individual Disrupted Day*) and Commodity Linked Condition 1.3(b)(ii)(B) (*Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day but Individual Disrupted Day*), as applicable.

**"Delivery Date"** means, in respect of a Commodity Reference Price, such delivery date as is specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Disappearance of Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of a Commodity,

- (a) the permanent discontinuation of trading in the relevant Commodity Contract on the relevant Trading Facility;
- (b) the disappearance of, or of trading in, such Commodity; or
- (c) the disappearance or permanent discontinuation or unavailability of the Commodity Reference Price, notwithstanding the availability of the Price Source or the status of trading in the relevant Commodity Contract or the relevant Commodity.

**"Disrupted Day"** means, in respect of:

- (a) a Commodity or a Commodity Basket, any Scheduled Commodity Business Day on which a Disruption Event has occurred; and
- (b) a Commodity Index, a day on which a Disruption Event is occurring with respect to a Commodity Contract included in such Commodity Index.

**"Disruption Event"** means:

- (a) in respect of a Commodity, the occurrence on any day of any one or more of the following, as determined by the Calculation Agent:

- (i) Disappearance of Commodity Reference Price;
  - (ii) Material Change in Content;
  - (iii) Material Change in Formula;
  - (iv) Price Source Disruption;
  - (v) Tax Disruption; or
  - (vi) Trading Disruption; and
- (b) in respect of a Commodity Index, the occurrence on any day of any one or more of the following, as determined by the Calculation Agent:
- (i) the settlement price for any Commodity Contract included in such Commodity Index is a "limit price" which means that the settlement price for such Commodity Contract for a day has increased or decreased from the previous day's settlement price by the maximum amount permitted under the rules of the relevant Trading Facility;
  - (ii) trading in any Commodity Contract included in such Commodity Index is suspended or interrupted subsequent to the opening of trading and trading in such Commodity Contract does not recommence at least ten (10) minutes prior to the regular scheduled close of trading in such Commodity Contract, or in the event trading does recommence at least ten (10) minutes prior to the regular scheduled close of trading on the relevant Trading Facility, trading does not continue on an uninterrupted basis until the regular scheduled close of trading in such Commodity Contract; or
  - (iii) failure by the relevant Trading Facility to announce or publish the settlement price for any Commodity Contract included in such Commodity Index.

**"Disruption Fallback"** has the meaning given thereto in Commodity Linked Condition 1.1(c) (*Single Commodity and Pricing Dates*), Commodity Linked Condition 1.2(c) (*Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Individual Scheduled Commodity Business Day and Individual Disrupted Day*) and Commodity Linked Condition 1.3(b) (*Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day but Individual Disrupted Day*), as applicable.

**"Fallback Pricing Date"** means, in respect of a Commodity or a Commodity Basket and any relevant date, the date(s) specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Fallback Reference Dealers"** has the meaning given thereto in Commodity Linked Condition 1.1(c)(iii) (*Single Commodity and Pricing Dates*), Commodity Linked Condition 1.2(c)(iii) (*Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Individual Scheduled Commodity Business Day and Individual Disrupted Day*) and Commodity Linked Condition 1.3(b)(ii)(C) (*Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day but Individual Disrupted Day*), as applicable.

**"Fallback Reference Price"** has the meaning given thereto in Commodity Linked Condition 1.1(c)(iv) (*Single Commodity and Pricing Dates*), Commodity Linked Condition 1.2(c)(iv) (*Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Individual Scheduled Commodity Business Day and Individual Disrupted Day*) and Commodity Linked Condition 1.3(b)(ii)(D) (*Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day but Individual Disrupted Day*), as applicable.

**"Hedging Positions"** means, for the purposes of the "Change in Law" definition, any position, including, without limitation, any purchase, sale, entry into or maintenance of one or more (i) positions or contracts in futures, options, swaps or other derivatives or foreign exchange, securities or (ii) other instruments or arrangements (howsoever described) established or maintained by GS in order to hedge, individually or on a portfolio basis, the Commodity Linked Securities

**"ICE"** means the Intercontinental Exchange™ or its successor, as determined by the Calculation Agent.



**"Initial Pricing Date"** means, in respect of a Commodity or a Commodity Basket, each date specified as such or otherwise determined as provided in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Initial Valuation Date"** means, in respect of a Commodity Index, each date specified as such or otherwise determined as provided in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Interest Pricing Date"** means, in respect of a Commodity or a Commodity Basket, each date specified as such or otherwise determined as provided in the relevant Final Terms.

**"KCBOT"** means the Kansas City Board of Trade or its successor, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Latest Determination Date"** means, in respect of a Commodity Index, and a Valuation Date, and all Commodity Contracts included in the Commodity Index, on such Valuation Date, if (i) no Disruption Event has occurred for any such Commodity Contracts on such Valuation Date, such Valuation Date, or (ii) if a Disruption Event has occurred for one or more such Commodity Contracts on the Valuation Date, the Commodity Contract Determination Date to fall latest in time.

**"Latest Pricing Date"** means, in respect of a single Commodity and a Pricing Date, such Pricing Date, and in respect of all the Commodities included in a Commodity Basket and a Pricing Date, if (i) the Scheduled Pricing Date corresponding to such Pricing Date is a Scheduled Commodity Business Day for each such Commodity and no Disruption Event has occurred for any such Commodity on such Pricing Date, such Pricing Date, or (ii) as a result of the Scheduled Pricing Date corresponding to such Pricing Date not being a Scheduled Commodity Business Day for one or more such Commodities or the occurrence of a Disruption Event for one or more Commodities in the Commodity Basket on the Pricing Date, the Pricing Date for two or more Commodities in the Commodity Basket falls on different dates, the date corresponding to the Pricing Date which is the latest to occur, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"LBMA"** means The London Bullion Market Association or its successor, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"LME"** means The London Metal Exchange Limited or its successor, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Material Change in Content"** means, in respect of a Commodity, the occurrence since the Issue Date of a material change in the content, composition or constitution of the Commodity or relevant Commodity Contract.

**"Material Change in Formula"** means, in respect of a Commodity, the occurrence since the Issue Date of a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the relevant Commodity Reference Price.

**"Maturity Date"** means:

- (a) in respect of Commodity Linked Instruments other than Nordic Registered Instruments or Euroclear France Registered Instruments, the Scheduled Maturity Date specified in the relevant Final Terms, and, unless otherwise specified in the Final Terms, (i) in respect of a single Commodity or a Commodity Basket, if the Relevant Determination Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, the Maturity Date will instead be the day falling the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Settlement Period Business Days after the Latest Pricing Date corresponding to the Relevant Determination Date, or (ii) in respect of a Commodity Index, if the Relevant Determination Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, or if the Relevant Determination Date is a Disrupted Day, the Maturity Date will instead be the day falling the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Settlement Period Business Days after the Latest Determination Date corresponding to the Relevant Determination Date; or
- (b) in respect of Commodity Linked Notes, the Scheduled Maturity Date specified in the relevant Final Terms, (i) in respect of a single Commodity or a Commodity Basket, if the Relevant Determination Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, the Maturity Date will instead be the day falling the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Settlement

Period Business Days after the Latest Pricing Date corresponding to the Relevant Determination Date, or (ii) in respect of a Commodity Index, if the Relevant Determination Date is adjusted in accordance with the Conditions, or if the Relevant Determination Date is a Disrupted Day, the Maturity Date will instead be the day falling the number of Business Days equal to the Number of Settlement Period Business Days after the Latest Determination Date corresponding to the Relevant Determination Date.

**"Maximum Days of Disruption"** means in respect of Commodity Linked Securities that relate to:

- (a) a single Commodity or a Commodity Basket, five Scheduled Commodity Business Days; or
- (b) a Commodity Index, five Scheduled Commodity Trading Days,

or, in each case, such other number of Scheduled Commodity Business Days or Scheduled Commodity Trading Days, as applicable specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Nearby Month"**, when preceded by a numerical adjective, means, in respect of a Delivery Date and a Pricing Date or other relevant date, the month of expiration of the Commodity Contract identified by that numerical adjective, so that, for example, (a) "First Nearby Month" means the month of expiration of the first Commodity Contract to expire following the Pricing Date or other relevant date; (b) "Second Nearby Month" means the month of expiration of the second Commodity Contract to expire following the Pricing Date or other relevant date; and (c) "Sixth Nearby Month" means the month of expiration of the sixth Commodity Contract to expire following the Pricing Date or other relevant date.

**"No Adjustment"** has the meaning given thereto in Commodity Linked Condition 1.1(c)(vi) (*Single Commodity and Pricing Dates*) or Commodity Linked Condition 1.2(c)(vi) (*Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Individual Scheduled Commodity Business Day and Individual Disrupted Day*), as applicable.

**"NYMEX"** means the New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc. or its successor, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Postponement"** has the meaning given thereto in Commodity Linked Condition 1.1(c)(v) (*Single Commodity and Pricing Dates*), Commodity Linked Condition 1.2(c)(v) (*Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Individual Scheduled Commodity Business Day and Individual Disrupted Day*), Commodity Linked Condition 1.3(b)(ii)(E) (*Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day but Individual Disrupted Day*), as applicable.

**"Price Materiality Percentage"** means the percentage specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Price Source"** means the publication (or such other origin of reference, including a Trading Facility) containing (or reporting) the Specified Price (or prices from which the Specified Price is calculated).

**"Price Source Disruption"** means, in respect of a Commodity:

- (a) the failure of the Price Source to announce or publish the Specified Price (or the information necessary for determining the Specified Price) for the relevant Commodity Reference Price (or, if there is no Specified Price for a Commodity Reference Price, the failure of the Price Source to announce or publish such Commodity Reference Price for any relevant day (or the information necessary for determining such Commodity Reference Price for such day));
- (b) the temporary or permanent discontinuance or unavailability of the Price Source;
- (c) if the Commodity Reference Price is "Commodity – Reference Dealers", the failure to obtain at least three quotations as requested from the relevant Reference Dealers; or
- (d) if a Price Materiality Percentage is specified in the relevant Final Terms, the Specified Price for the relevant Commodity Reference Price differs from the Specified Price determined in accordance with the Commodity Reference Price, "Commodity – Reference Dealers", by such Price Materiality Percentage.

**"Pricing Date"** means, in respect of a Commodity, each date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms or otherwise determined as provided in the Conditions.

**"Reference Dealers"** means, if the relevant Commodity Reference Price is **"Commodity – Reference Dealers"**, the four dealers specified in the relevant Final Terms or, if dealers are not so specified, four leading dealers in the relevant market as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Relevant Commodity"** means, in respect of a Commodity Linked Security, such commodity as is so specified in the relevant Final Terms, and, if more than one commodity is so specified in the relevant Final Terms, then all such commodities shall be referred to as the **"Relevant Commodities"**.

**"Relevant Date"** has the meaning given thereto in Commodity Linked Condition 4 (*Fallback Pricing Date for a Single Commodity or Commodity Basket*).

**"Relevant European Authorities"** means, for the purposes of the "Change in Law" definition, the European Commission, the European Parliament, the Council of the European Union, the European Securities and Markets Authority, the European Banking Authority, the European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority, the European Central Bank, and any competent authority of a member state of the European Economic Area.

**"Relevant Price"** means, for any Pricing Date, the price, expressed as a price per Unit, determined by the Calculation Agent with respect to the Pricing Date for the relevant Commodity Reference Price.

**"Relevant Screen Page"** means the Bloomberg page or ticker as specified in the Final Terms or any official successor thereto.

**"Scheduled Commodity Business Day"** means

- (a) in respect of a single Commodity or a Commodity Basket; and:
  - (i) where the Commodity Reference Price for a Commodity is a price announced or published by a Trading Facility, a day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Disruption Event, would have been) a day on which such Trading Facility is open for trading during its regular trading session, notwithstanding any such Trading Facility closing prior to its scheduled closing time; and
  - (ii) where the Commodity Reference Price for a Commodity is not a price announced or published by a Trading Facility, a day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Disruption Event, would have published) a day in respect of which the relevant Price Source published a price.
- (b) in respect of a Commodity Index any day:
  - (i) that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Disruption Event, would have been) a day on which all the Trading Facilities on which the Commodity Contracts included in the Commodity Index are traded, are open for trading during their regular trading session, notwithstanding any such Trading Facility closing prior to its scheduled closing time; and
  - (ii) the offices of Goldman, Sachs & Co. in New York City are open for business.

**"Scheduled Commodity Trading Day"** means, in respect of an Affected Commodity Contract, a day on which the relevant Trading Facility on which such Affected Commodity Contract is traded is scheduled to be open for trading for its regular trading session.

**"Scheduled Pricing Date"** means, in respect of a Commodity, any original date that, but for such day not being a Scheduled Commodity Business Day in respect of such Commodity or for the occurrence of a Disruption Event causing a Disrupted Day on such date, would have been a Pricing Date.

**"Scheduled Valuation Date"** means in respect of a Commodity Index, any original date that, but for such day not being a Scheduled Commodity Business Day in respect of such Commodity Index or for

the occurrence of a Disruption Event causing a Disrupted Day on such date, would have been a Valuation Date.

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of a Commodity Reference Price,

- (a) the price specified in the relevant Commodity Reference Price in Commodity Linked Condition 9 (*General Definitions*); or
- (b) as otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms, being any of the following prices (which must be a price reported in or by, or capable of being determined from information reported in or by, the relevant Price Source), and, if applicable, as of the time so specified: (A) the high price; (B) the low price; (C) the average of the high price and the low price; (D) the closing price; (E) the opening price; (F) the bid price; (G) the asked price; (H) the average of the bid price and the asked price; (I) the settlement price; (J) the official settlement price; (K) the official price; (L) the morning fixing; (M) the afternoon fixing; or (N) the spot price.

**"Successor Commodity Index"** has the meaning given thereto in Commodity Linked Condition 6.1 (*Successor Commodity Index Sponsor or Successor Commodity Index*).

**"Successor Commodity Index Sponsor"** has the meaning given thereto in Commodity Linked Condition 6.1 (*Successor Commodity Index Sponsor or Successor Commodity Index*).

**"Tax Disruption"** means, in respect of a Commodity, the imposition of, change in or removal of an excise, severance, sales, use, value-added, transfer, stamp, documentary, recording or similar tax on, or measured by reference to, such Commodity (other than a tax on, or measured by reference to overall gross or net income) by any government or taxation authority after the Issue Date or such other date as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms, if the direct effect of such imposition, change, or removal is to raise or lower the Relevant Price on the day that would otherwise be a Pricing Date (or such other relevant date as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms) from what it would have been without that imposition, change, or removal.

**"Trade Date"** means the Strike Date, unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Trading Disruption"** means, in respect of a Commodity, the material suspension of, or the material limitation imposed on, trading in the Commodity Contract or the Commodity on the Trading Facility, or in any additional futures contract, options or swap contract, or commodity on any Trading Facility as specified in the relevant Final Terms or as determined by the Calculation Agent. For these purposes:

- (a) a suspension of the trading in the Commodity Contract or the Commodity on any Pricing Date or other relevant date shall be deemed to be material only if:
  - (i) all trading in the Commodity Contract or the Commodity is suspended for the entire Pricing Date or such other relevant date; or
  - (ii) all trading in the Commodity Contract or the Commodity is suspended subsequent to the opening of trading on the Pricing Date or such other relevant date, trading does not recommence prior to the regularly scheduled close of trading in such Commodity Contract or Commodity on such Pricing Date or such other relevant date and such suspension is announced less than one-hour preceding its commencement; and
- (b) a limitation of trading in the Commodity Contract or the Commodity on any Pricing Date or other relevant date shall be deemed to be material only if the Trading Facility establishes limits on the range within which the price of the Commodity Contract or the Commodity may fluctuate and the closing or settlement price of the Commodity Contract or the Commodity on such day is at the upper limit of that range or at the lower limit of that range.

**"Trading Facility"** means, in respect of a Commodity or relevant Commodity Contract, the exchange or trading facility or principal trading market on which such Commodity or Commodity Contract is traded, and in respect of Securities linked to a single Commodity or basket of Commodities, as specified in the relevant Final Terms or Commodity Reference Price, or any successor to such exchange or trading facility or principal trading market to which trading in such Commodity or Commodity Contract has temporarily relocated, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Unaffected Commodity Contract"** has the meaning given thereto in Commodity Linked Condition 5(c)(i) (*Consequences of Disruption Days and Disruption Events in respect of a Commodity Index*).

**"Unit"** means the unit of measure of the Relevant Commodity, as specified in the relevant Commodity Reference Price or the relevant Final Terms.

**"Valuation Date"** means, in respect of a Commodity Index each date specified as such or otherwise determined herein or as provided in the relevant Final Terms.

## 10. Commodity Reference Price and Related Definitions

Unless otherwise stated in the relevant Final Terms, the Commodity Reference Price and related definitions for each specified Commodity shall be as set out below:

### 10.1 Aluminium

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Aluminium, the ALUMINIUM-LME CASH in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"ALUMINIUM-LME CASH"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per metric tonne of Aluminium on the LME for the applicable Delivery Date, stated in United States dollars, as determined by the LME and displayed on the Price Source that displays prices effective on such Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Aluminium"** means high grade primary aluminium; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official cash settlement price per tonne of Aluminium.

### 10.2 Brent Crude Oil

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Brent Crude Oil, the OIL-BRENT-ICE in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"OIL-BRENT-ICE"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per barrel of Brent Crude Oil on the ICE of the Brent Crude Oil Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States dollars, as made public by the ICE and displayed on the Price Source that displays prices effective on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Brent Crude Oil"** means Brent blend crude oil;

**"Brent Crude Oil Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to Brent Crude Oil; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official settlement price.

### 10.3 Coal

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Coal, the **"COAL-TFS API 2-ARGUS/MCCLOSKEY'S"** in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"COAL-TFS API 2-ARGUS/MCCLOSKEY'S"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per tonne of Coal, stated in United States dollars published in the Price Source that reports prices effective on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Coal"** means steam coal 6,000 kcal/kg, up to 1 per cent. sulphur NAR basis, cif ARA; and

**"Specified Price"** means in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official settlement price.

### 10.4 Cocoa

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Cocoa, the **"COCOA-ICE"** in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"COCOA-ICE"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per metric tonne of Cocoa on the ICE of the Cocoa Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States dollars, as made public by the ICE and displayed on the Price Source on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Cocoa"** means deliverable grade cocoa beans;

**"Cocoa Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to Cocoa; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official settlement price.

### 10.5 Coffee

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Coffee, the **"COFFEE ARABICA-ICE"**, in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"COFFEE ARABICA-ICE"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per pound of Coffee on the ICE of the Coffee Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States cents, as made public by the ICE and displayed on the Price Source on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Coffee"** means deliverable grade washed arabica coffee;

**"Coffee Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to Coffee; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official settlement price.

## 10.6 Copper

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Copper, and if in the relevant Final Terms the price specified is:

(A) **COPPER-LME CASH**, then COPPER-LME CASH<sup>1</sup> in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"COPPER-LME CASH"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per tonne of Copper on the LME for the Delivery Date, stated in United States dollars, as determined by the LME and displayed on the Price Source that displays prices effective on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Copper"** means copper – Grade A or high grade copper; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official cash settlement price per tonne of Copper;

(B) **COPPER-COMEX**, then COPPER-COMEX<sup>2</sup> in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"COPPER-COMEX"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per pound of high grade copper on the COMEX of the Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States cents, as determined and made public by the COMEX on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Copper"** means copper – Grade A or high grade copper;

**"Copper Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to Copper; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official cash settlement price per pound of Copper.

## 10.7 Corn

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Corn, the CORN-CBOT in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"CORN-CBOT"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per bushel of Corn on the CBOT of the Corn Commodity Contract for

<sup>1</sup> For information purposes, this is the Commodity Reference Price in the GSCIER Index.

<sup>2</sup> For information purposes, this is the Commodity Reference Price in the DJAIG Index.

the Delivery Date, stated in United States cents, as made public by the CBOT and displayed on the Price Source on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Corn"** means deliverable grade corn;

**"Corn Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to Corn; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official settlement price per bushel of Corn.

#### 10.8 Cotton

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Cotton, the "COTTON NO. 2-ICE", in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"COTTON NO. 2-ICE"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per pound of Cotton on the ICE of the Cotton Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States cents, as made public by the ICE and displayed on the Price Source on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Cotton"** means deliverable grade cotton No. 2;

**"Cotton Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to Cotton; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official settlement price.

#### 10.9 Feeder Cattle

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Feeder Cattle, the FEEDER CATTLE-CME in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"FEEDER CATTLE-CME"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per pound of Feeder Cattle on the CME of the Feeder Cattle Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States cents, as made public by the CME and displayed on the Price Source on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Feeder Cattle"** means deliverable grade medium and large #1 feeder steers;

**"Feeder Cattle Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to Feeder Cattle; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official settlement price per pound of Feeder Cattle.



#### 10.10 Gas Oil

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Gas Oil, the GAS OIL-ICE in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"GAS OIL-ICE"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per metric tonne of Gas Oil on the ICE of the Gas Oil Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States dollars, as made public by the ICE and displayed on the Price Source that displays prices effective on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Gas Oil"** means gas oil;

**"Gas Oil Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to Gas Oil; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official settlement price.

#### 10.11 Gold

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Gold, and if in the relevant Final Terms the price specified is:

- (A) **"GOLD-COMEX"**, then GOLD-COMEX in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"GOLD-COMEX"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per troy ounce of Gold on the COMEX of the Gold Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States dollars, as determined and made public by the COMEX on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Gold"** means gold bars or unallocated gold complying with the rules of the LBMA relating to good delivery and fineness from time to time in effect (minimum 0.995 fine), unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Gold Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to Gold; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official fixing price;

- (B) **"GOLD-P.M. FIX"**, then GOLD-P.M. FIX in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"GOLD-P.M. FIX"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that afternoon's Gold fixing price (3 p.m., London time, fixing) per troy ounce of Gold for delivery in London through a member of the LBMA authorised to effect such delivery, stated in United States dollars, as calculated by the London Gold Market and displayed on the Price Source that displays prices effective on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Gold"** means gold bars or unallocated gold complying with the rules of the LBMA relating to good delivery and fineness from time to time in effect (minimum 0.995 fine), unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"London Gold Market"** means the market in London on which members of the LBMA, amongst other things, quote prices for the buying and selling of Gold; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official fixing price.

#### 10.12 Heating Oil

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Heating Oil, the HEATING OIL-NEW YORK-NYMEX in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"HEATING OIL-NEW YORK-NYMEX"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per gallon of Heating Oil on the NYMEX of the Heating Oil Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States dollars, as made public by the NYMEX and displayed on the Price Source that displays prices effective on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Heating Oil"** means New York Harbor No. 2 heating oil;

**"Heating Oil Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to Heating Oil; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official settlement price.

#### 10.13 Kansas Wheat

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Kansas Wheat, the WHEAT HRW-KCBOT in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"WHEAT HRW-KCBOT"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per bushel of Kansas Wheat on the KCBOT of the Kansas Wheat Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States cents, as made public by the KCBOT and displayed on the Price Source on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Kansas Wheat"** means deliverable grade hard red winter wheat;

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official settlement price per bushel of Kansas Wheat; and

**"Wheat Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to Kansas Wheat.

10.14 **Lead**

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Lead, the LEAD-LME CASH in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"LEAD-LME CASH"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per metric tonne of Lead on the LME for the applicable Delivery Date, stated in United States dollars, as determined by the LME and displayed on the Price Source on that Pricing Date or other relevant date that displays prices effective on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Lead"** means standard lead; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official cash settlement price per tonne of Lead.

10.15 **Lean Hogs**

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Lean Hogs, the LEAN HOGS-CME in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"LEAN HOGS-CME"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per pound of Lean Hogs on the CME of the Lean Hogs Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States cents, as made public by the CME and displayed on the Price Source on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Lean Hogs"** means deliverable grade lean value hog carcasses;

**"Lean Hogs Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to Lean Hogs; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official settlement price per pound of Lean Hogs.

10.16 **Live Cattle**

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Live Cattle, the LIVE CATTLE-CME in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"LIVE CATTLE-CME"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per pound of Live Cattle on the CME of the Live Cattle Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States cents, as made public by the CME and displayed on the Price Source on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Live Cattle"** means deliverable grade live steers;

**"Live Cattle Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to Live Cattle; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official settlement price per pound of Live Cattle.

#### 10.17 Natural Gas

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Natural Gas, the NATURAL GAS-NYMEX in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"NATURAL GAS-NYMEX"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per Million British Thermal Units (MMBTU) of Natural Gas on the NYMEX of the Natural Gas Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States dollars, as made public by the NYMEX and displayed on the Price Source that displays prices effective on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Natural Gas"** means natural gas;

**"Natural Gas Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to Natural Gas; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official settlement price.

#### 10.18 Nickel

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Nickel, the NICKEL-LME CASH in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"NICKEL-LME CASH"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per metric tonne of Nickel on the LME for the applicable Delivery Date, stated in United States dollars, as determined by the LME and displayed on the Price Source on that Pricing Date or other relevant date that displays prices effective on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Nickel"** means primary nickel; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official cash settlement price per tonne of Nickel.

#### 10.19 Palladium

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Palladium, the PALLADIUM-P.M. FIX in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"PALLADIUM-P.M. FIX"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that afternoon's Palladium fixing price per troy ounce of Palladium for delivery in Zurich through a member of the LPPM authorised to effect such delivery, stated in United States dollars, as calculated by The London Platinum and Palladium Market and

displayed on the Price Source that displays prices effective on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Palladium"** means palladium complying with the rules of the LPPM relating to good delivery and fineness from time to time in effect, unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"London Platinum and Palladium Market"** or **"LPPM"** means the market in London on which members of the LPPM, amongst other things, quote prices for the buying and selling of Palladium; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official fixing price.

#### 10.20 **Platinum**

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Platinum, the PLATINUM-P.M. FIX in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"PLATINUM-P.M. FIX"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that afternoon's Platinum fixing price per troy ounce of Platinum for delivery in Zurich through a member of the LPPM authorised to effect such delivery, stated in United States dollars, as calculated by The London Platinum and Palladium Market and displayed on the Price Source that displays prices effective on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Platinum"** means platinum complying with the rules of the LPPM relating to good delivery and fineness from time to time in effect, unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"London Platinum and Palladium Market"** or **"LPPM"** means the market in London on which members of the LPPM, amongst other things, quote prices for the buying and selling of Platinum; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official fixing price.

#### 10.21 **RBOB Gasoline**

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and RBOB Gasoline, the GASOLINE RBOB-NEW YORK-NYMEX in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"GASOLINE RBOB-NEW YORK-NYMEX"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per gallon of RBOB Gasoline on the NYMEX of the RBOB Gasoline Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States dollars, as made public by the NYMEX and displayed on the Price Source that displays prices effective on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"RBOB Gasoline"** means New York Harbor Reformulated Gasoline Blendstock for Oxygen Blending;

**"RBOB Gasoline Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to RBOB Gasoline; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official settlement price.

## 10.22 Silver

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Silver, and if in the relevant Final Terms the price specified is:

- (A) **"SILVER-COMEX"**, then SILVER-COMEX in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"SILVER-COMEX"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per troy ounce of Silver on the COMEX of the Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States cents, as determined and made public by the COMEX on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Silver"** means silver bars or unallocated silver complying with the rules of the LBMA relating to good delivery and fineness from time to time in effect, unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Silver Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to Silver; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official fixing price;

- (B) **"SILVER-FIX"**, then SILVER-FIX in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"SILVER-FIX (USD)"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Silver fixing price per troy ounce of Silver for delivery in London through a member of the LBMA authorised to effect such delivery, stated in U.S. dollars, as calculated by the London Silver Market and displayed on the Price Source on that displays prices effective on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

**"SILVER-FIX (U.S. cents)"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Silver fixing price per troy ounce of Silver for delivery in London through a member of the LBMA authorised to effect such delivery, stated in United States cents, as calculated by the London Silver Market and displayed on the Price Source on that displays prices effective on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Silver"** means silver bars or unallocated silver complying with the rules of the LBMA relating to good delivery and fineness from time to time in effect; and

**"London Silver Market"** means the market in London on which members of the LBMA, amongst other things, quote prices for the buying and selling of Silver.

### 10.23 Soybeans

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Soybeans, the SOYBEANS-CBOT in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"SOYBEANS-CBOT"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per bushel of Soybeans on the CBOT of the Soybeans Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States cents, as made public by the CBOT and displayed on the Price Source on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Soybeans"** means deliverable grade soybeans;

**"Soybeans Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to Soybeans; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official settlement price per bushel of Soybeans.

### 10.24 Soybean Oil

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Soybean Oil, the SOYBEAN OIL-CBOT in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"SOYBEAN OIL-CBOT"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per pound of Soybean Oil on the CBOT of the Soybean Oil Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States cents, as made public by the CBOT and displayed on the Price Source on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Soybean Oil"** means deliverable grade soybean oil;

**"Soybean Oil Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to Soybean Oil; and

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official settlement price per bushel of Soybean Oil.

### 10.25 Sugar

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Sugar, the "SUGAR #11 (WORLD)-ICE" in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"Sugar #11 (World)-ICE"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per pound of Sugar on the ICE of the Sugar Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States cents, as made public by the ICE and displayed on the Price Source on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official settlement price;

**"Sugar"** means deliverable grade cane sugar; and

**"Sugar Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to Sugar.

#### 10.26 **Wheat**

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Wheat, the WHEAT-CBOT in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"WHEAT-CBOT"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per bushel of Wheat on the CBOT of the Wheat Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States cents, as made public by the CBOT and displayed on the Price Source on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official settlement price per bushel of Wheat;

**"Wheat"** means deliverable grade wheat; and

**"Wheat Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to Wheat.

#### 10.27 **WTI Crude Oil**

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and WTI, the OIL-WTI-NYMEX in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,

where:

**"OIL-WTI-NYMEX"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per barrel of WTI on the NYMEX of the WTI Commodity Contract for the Delivery Date, stated in United States dollars, as made public by the NYMEX and displayed on the Price Source that displays prices effective on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official settlement price;

**"WTI"** or **"WTI Crude Oil"** means West Texas Intermediate light sweet crude oil; and

**"WTI Commodity Contract"** means the contract for future delivery in respect of the relevant Delivery Date relating to WTI.

#### 10.28 **Zinc**

**"Commodity Reference Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date and Zinc, the ZINC-LME CASH in respect of such Pricing Date or other relevant date, as determined by the Calculation Agent,



where:

**"ZINC-LME CASH"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, that day's Specified Price per metric tonne of Zinc on the LME for the applicable Delivery Date, stated in United States dollars, as determined by the LME and displayed on the Price Source on that Pricing Date or other relevant date that displays prices effective on that Pricing Date or other relevant date,

where:

**"Specified Price"** means, in respect of any Pricing Date or other relevant date, the official cash settlement price per tonne of Zinc; and

**"Zinc"** means special high grade zinc.

## INTRODUCTION TO THE FX LINKED CONDITIONS

*The following introduction to, and summary of, the FX Linked Conditions is a description and overview only of the actual FX Linked Conditions set forth herein, and is intended to be a guide only to potential purchasers to facilitate a general understanding of such provisions. Accordingly, this overview must be read as an introduction only to the actual FX Linked Conditions and any decisions to purchase FX Linked Securities should be based on a consideration of the Base Prospectus as a whole, including the actual FX Linked Conditions (as may be completed by the relevant Final Terms).*

### Payments, Reference Dates and Fixing Days

Payments (whether in respect of principal or interest and whether at maturity or otherwise) in respect of certain FX Linked Securities will be calculated by reference to a single FX Rate or one or more FX Rates in an FX Rate Basket or a formula based upon one or more FX Rates at a specified time or times on one or more Reference Dates or Averaging Reference Dates (as set out in the Final Terms).

However, it may not be possible, practical or desirable for the Calculation Agent to determine an FX Rate at a specified time on a Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date if such date is not a **Fixing Day**, which will be set out in the Final Terms as either a day on which (a) the entity responsible for setting the official fixing rate for such FX Rate publishes such fixing rate (a "**Publication Fixing Day**") or (b) transactions in the FX Rate are occurring in the global foreign exchange spot markets and foreign exchange markets are settling payments in the specified principal financial centres (a "**Transaction Fixing Day**"), and, in each case, on which no event has occurred or is continuing, which makes it impossible for the Calculation Agent to, among others acts, convert or deliver specified currency or obtain such FX Rate (an "**FX Disruption Event**").

### Potential Postponement of Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date

In the circumstances described above, the Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date may, or may not, be postponed until a day on which the relevant FX Rate is published or can otherwise be determined by the Calculation Agent, subject to a long-stop date (designated by reference to the term, "**Maximum Days of Postponement**") by which an FX Rate must be determined for the purpose of calculating the payments in respect of the FX Linked Securities.

The occurrence of a Fixing Day may differ in respect of two or more FX Rates in an FX Rate Basket, and in such circumstances, the Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rates may remain different.

### Overview of Consequences

The FX Linked Conditions define the circumstances in which the determination of an FX Rate or FX Rates may be postponed and stipulate how such FX Rate or FX Rates should be determined by reference to FX Linked Securities that relate to a single FX Rate or an FX Rate Basket and Reference Dates or Averaging Reference Dates.

The following overviews set out the default consequence in respect of each type of FX Linked Security if the Scheduled Reference Date or Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Fixing Day for an FX Rate, though such overviews are subject to, and must be read in conjunction with, the more detailed contents of the FX Linked Conditions.

### Calculation Agent Determinations and Calculations

The Calculation Agent, which will be Goldman Sachs International (unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms), may be required to make certain determinations and calculations pursuant to the FX Linked Conditions relating to, among others, the occurrence of a Fixing Day, the calculation of an FX Rate and the occurrence of an FX Disruption Event (such term is described below). In all circumstances, the Calculation Agent must make such determinations and calculations in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner.

**Single FX Rate and Reference Date**

- (a) Unless specified otherwise, the Reference Date will be first succeeding **FX Business Day** that is a Fixing Day, with a standard long-stop date of five FX Business Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the FX Rate.
- (b) The Final Terms may, however, specify that no adjustment should be made in the event of a non-Fixing Day occurring on the Scheduled Reference Date and that the Calculation Agent shall determine the FX Rate on the Scheduled Reference Date.

**Single FX Rate and Averaging Reference Date**

There are four options that can be specified in the relevant Final Terms:

- (a) **Omission** – the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is discarded from the valuation process, provided that there must be at least one Averaging Reference Date upon which an FX Rate can be determined, otherwise the sole Averaging Reference Date shall be the first succeeding FX Business Day that is a Fixing Day following the final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date, with a standard long-stop date of five FX Business Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the FX Rate.
- (b) **Postponement** – the Averaging Reference Date will be the first succeeding FX Business Day that is a Fixing Day, with a standard long-stop date of five FX Business Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the FX Rate.
- (c) **Modified Postponement** – the Averaging Reference Date will be the first **Valid Date**, i.e. a Fixing Day that is not another Averaging Reference Date, subject to a standard long-stop date of five FX Business Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the FX Rate.
- (d) **No Adjustment** - the Calculation Agent shall determine the FX Rate on the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date.

**FX Rate Basket and Reference Dates – Individual Fixing Day**

- (a) If the Scheduled Reference Date for an FX Rate in the FX Rate Basket is a Fixing Day, then the Scheduled Reference Date will be the Reference Date for such FX Rate.
- (b) If the Scheduled Reference Date for an FX Rate is not a Fixing Day, then the Reference Date will be the first succeeding FX Business Day that is a Fixing Day, with a standard long-stop date of five FX Business Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine the FX Rate, provided that, if the Final Terms specify that no adjustment should be made, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the FX Rate on the Scheduled Reference Date.

**FX Rate Basket and Averaging Reference Dates Day – Individual Fixing Day**

If the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for any FX Rate in the FX Rate Basket is not a Fixing Day, then one of the following four options may be selected:

- (a) **Omission** – the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is discarded from the valuation process, provided that there must be at least one Averaging Reference Date, upon which each FX Rate in the FX Rate Basket can be determined: otherwise (i) if the final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for an FX Rate is a Fixing Day, then such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date will be the Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate, and (ii) if the final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for an FX Rate is not a Fixing Day, then the Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate will be the first succeeding FX Business Day that is a Fixing Day, with a standard long-stop date of five FX Business Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine such FX Rate.
- (b) **Postponement** – (i) if the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for an FX Rate is a Fixing Day, then the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date will be the Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate, and (ii) if the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for an FX Rate is not a Fixing Day, then the Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate will be the first succeeding

FX Business Day that is a Fixing Day, with a standard long-stop date of five FX Business Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine such FX Rate.

- (c) **Modified Postponement** – (i) if the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for an FX Rate is a Fixing Day, then the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date will be the Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate, and (ii) if the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for an FX Rate is not a Fixing Day, then the Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate will be the first **Valid Date**, subject to a standard long-stop date of five FX Business Days, upon which the Calculation Agent will determine such FX Rate.
- (d) **No Adjustment** - the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for an FX Rate will be the Averaging Reference Date, and the Calculation Agent shall determine such FX Rate on the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date.

**FX Rate Basket and Reference Dates – Common Fixing Day**

- (a) If the Scheduled Reference Date for **each** FX Rate in the FX Rate Basket is a Fixing Day (the "**Common Fixing Day**"), then the Scheduled Reference Date will be the Reference Date for **each** FX Rate.
- (b) If the Scheduled Reference Date is not a Common Fixing Day, then the Reference Date for **each** FX Rate will be the first succeeding FX Business Day that is a Common Fixing Day, unless the standard of each of the five consecutive FX Business Days is not a Common Fixing Day. In such circumstances:
  - (i) the last consecutive FX Business Day shall be the Reference Date for each FX Rate;
  - (ii) if the last consecutive FX Business Day for an FX Rate is a Fixing Day, then such FX Rate will be determined by reference to the relevant screen pages; and
  - (iii) if the last consecutive FX Business Day for an FX Rate is not a Fixing Day, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the FX Rate,

provided that, if the relevant Final Terms specify that no adjustment should be made, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the FX Rate on the Scheduled Reference Date.

## **FX LINKED CONDITIONS**

### **Adjustment, Modification and Disruption Provisions for FX Linked Notes and FX Linked Instruments**

1. **Consequences of Non-Fixing Days**
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2. **BRL FX Note Conditions**
3. **Definitions**

These FX Linked Provisions shall apply to Instruments for which the relevant Final Terms specify that the FX Linked Instruments are applicable and to Notes for which the relevant Final Terms specify that the FX Linked Notes are applicable.

1. **Consequences of Non-Fixing Days**

1.1 **Single FX Rate and Reference Dates**

Where the FX Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to a single FX Rate, and if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date in respect of such FX Rate is not a Fixing Day, then the Reference Date for such FX Rate shall be the first succeeding Fixing Day, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive FX Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Postponement in respect of such FX Rate immediately following such Scheduled Reference Date is not a Fixing Day for such FX Rate. In that case:

- (a) that last consecutive FX Business Day shall be deemed to be the Reference Date for such FX Rate, notwithstanding the fact that such day is not a Fixing Day for such FX Rate; and
- (b) the Calculation Agent shall determine such FX Rate as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive FX Business Day in its discretion, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (b) shall be deemed to be the FX Rate at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date),

provided that,

- (c) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then the Reference Date for the FX Rate shall be such Scheduled Reference Date, notwithstanding the fact that such day is not a Fixing Day for the FX Rate, and the Calculation Agent shall determine the FX Rate as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date in its discretion, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (c) shall be deemed to be the FX Rate at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date).

1.2 **Single FX Rate and Averaging Reference Dates**

Where the FX Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to a single FX Rate, and if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Averaging Reference Date in respect of such FX Rate is not a Fixing Day and, if the relevant Final Terms specify the consequence:

- (a) "**Omission**" to be applicable, then such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date will be deemed not to be a relevant Averaging Reference Date, provided that, if through the operation of this provision there would not be any Averaging Reference Dates, then the Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate shall be the first succeeding FX Business Day following the final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date that the Calculation Agent determines is a Fixing Day for such FX Rate, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive FX Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Postponement in respect of such FX Rate immediately following such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Fixing Day for such FX Rate. In that case:
  - (i) that last consecutive FX Business Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate, notwithstanding the fact that such day is not a Fixing Day for such FX Rate; and
  - (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the FX Rate as of the Valuation Time on that last consecutive FX Business Day in its discretion, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (ii) shall be deemed to be the FX Rate at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date);

- (b) **"Postponement"** to be applicable, then the relevant Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate shall be the first succeeding FX Business Day following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date that the Calculation Agent determines is a Fixing Day for such FX Rate, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive FX Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Postponement in respect of such FX Rate immediately following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Fixing Day for such FX Rate. In that case:
- (i) that last consecutive FX Business Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate, notwithstanding the fact that such day is not a Fixing Day for such FX Rate; and
  - (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the FX Rate as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive FX Business Day in its discretion, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (ii) shall be deemed to be the FX Rate at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date);
- (c) **"Modified Postponement"** to be applicable, then the relevant Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate shall be the first succeeding Valid Date. If the first succeeding Valid Date has not occurred as of the relevant Valuation Time on the consecutive FX Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Postponement immediately following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date that, but for the occurrence of another Averaging Reference Date or non-Fixing Day for such FX Rate, would have been the relevant Averaging Reference Date, then
- (i) that last consecutive FX Business Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate, notwithstanding the fact that such day is already an Averaging Reference Date or is not a Fixing Day for such FX Rate; and
  - (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the FX Rate as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive FX Business Day in its discretion, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (ii) shall be deemed to be the FX Rate at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date),
- provided that,
- (d) if the relevant Final Terms specify **"No Adjustment"** to be applicable, then the Averaging Reference Date for the FX Rate shall be such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date, notwithstanding the fact that such day is not a Fixing Day for the FX Rate, and the Calculation Agent shall determine the FX Rate as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Averaging Reference Date in its discretion, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner (and such determination by the Calculation Agent shall be deemed to be the FX Rate at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date); and
  - (e) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Fixing Day in respect of such FX Rate and, the relevant Final Terms do not specify the consequence, then the consequence of **"No Adjustment"** shall apply.

### 1.3 FX Rate Basket and Reference Dates – Individual Fixing Day

Where the FX Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to an FX Rate Basket and such Final Terms specify **"Individual Fixing Day"** to be applicable to the FX Rates in the FX Rate Basket, and if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date in respect of any FX Rate in the FX Rate Basket is not a Fixing Day for such FX Rate:

- (a) for each FX Rate in the FX Rate Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such Scheduled Reference Date is a Fixing Day, the Reference Date for such FX Rate shall be such Scheduled Reference Date;

- (b) for each FX Rate in the FX Rate Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such Scheduled Reference Date is not a Fixing Day, the Reference Date for such FX Rate shall be the first succeeding FX Business Day which the Calculation Agent determines is a Fixing Day for such FX Rate, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive FX Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Postponement immediately following such Scheduled Reference Date is not a Fixing Day for such FX Rate. In that case:
  - (i) that last consecutive FX Business Day shall be deemed to be the Reference Date for such FX Rate, notwithstanding the fact that such day is not a Fixing Day for such FX Rate; and
  - (ii) the Calculation Agent shall determine the FX Rate as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive FX Business Day in its discretion, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (ii) shall be deemed to be the FX Rate at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of such Reference Date),

provided that,
- (c) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then the Reference Date for each FX Rate shall be such Scheduled Reference Date, notwithstanding the fact that such day is not a Fixing Day for any FX Rate, and the Calculation Agent shall determine such FX Rate as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date in its discretion, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner (and such determination by the Calculation Agent shall be deemed to be the FX Rate at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date).

#### 1.4 FX Rate Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Individual Fixing Day

Where the FX Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to an FX Rate Basket and if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Averaging Reference Date in respect of any FX Rate in the FX Rate Basket is not a Fixing Day for such FX Rate, and:

- (a) if the relevant Final Terms specify the consequence "**Omission**" to be applicable, such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date will be deemed not to be a relevant Averaging Reference Date for each FX Rate in the FX Rate Basket, provided that, if through the operation of this provision there would not be any Averaging Reference Dates, then the sole Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rates shall be determined by reference to the final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date as follows:
  - (i) for each FX Rate in the FX Rate Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is a Fixing Day, the Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate shall be such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date; and
  - (ii) for each FX Rate in the FX Rate Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Fixing Day, then the Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate shall be the first succeeding FX Business Day following such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date that the Calculation Agent determines is a Fixing Day in respect of such FX Rate, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive FX Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Postponement in respect of such FX Rate immediately following such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Fixing Day for such FX Rate. In that case:
    - (A) that last consecutive FX Business Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate, notwithstanding the fact that such day is not a Fixing Day for such FX Rate; and
    - (B) the Calculation Agent shall determine the FX Rate as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive FX Business Day in its discretion, acting in good



faith and in a commercially reasonable manner (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (B) shall be deemed to be the FX Rate at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date);

- (b) if the relevant Final Terms specify the consequence "**Postponement**" to be applicable, then,
  - (i) for each FX Rate in the FX Rate Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is a Fixing Day, the Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate shall be such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date; and
  - (ii) for each FX Rate in the FX Rate Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Fixing Day, the relevant Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate shall be the first succeeding FX Business Day following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date that the Calculation Agent determines is a Fixing Day for such FX Rate, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive FX Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Postponement in respect of such FX Rate immediately following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Fixing Day for such FX Rate. In that case:
    - (A) that last consecutive FX Business Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate, notwithstanding the fact that such day is not a Fixing Day for such FX Rate; and
    - (B) the Calculation Agent shall determine the FX Rate as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive FX Business Day in its discretion, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (B) shall be deemed to be the FX Rate at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date);
- (c) if the relevant Final Terms specify the consequence "**Modified Postponement**" to be applicable, then
  - (i) for each FX Rate in the FX Rate Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is a Fixing Day, the Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate shall be such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date; and
  - (ii) for each FX Rate in the FX Rate Basket for which the Calculation Agent determines that such final Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Fixing Day, the relevant Averaging Reference Date shall be the first succeeding Valid Date. If the first succeeding Valid Date has not occurred as of the relevant Valuation Time on the consecutive FX Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Postponement immediately following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date that, but for the occurrence of another Averaging Reference Date or not being a Fixing Day for such FX Rate, would have been the relevant Averaging Reference Date, then:
    - (A) that last consecutive FX Business Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for such FX Rate, notwithstanding the fact that such day is already an Averaging Reference Date or is not a Fixing Day for such FX Rate; and
    - (B) the Calculation Agent shall determine the FX Rate as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive FX Business Day in its discretion, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (B) shall be deemed to be the FX Rate at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date),

provided that,

- (d) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then the Averaging Reference Date for each FX Rate shall be such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date, notwithstanding the fact that such day is not a Fixing Day for any FX Rate, and the Calculation Agent shall determine the FX Rate as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Averaging Reference Date in its discretion, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner (and such determination by the Calculation Agent shall be deemed to be the FX Rate at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date); and
- (e) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Fixing Day in respect of any FX Rate in the FX Rate Basket and, the relevant Final Terms do not specify the consequence, then the consequence of "**No Adjustment**" shall apply.

#### 1.5 **FX Rate Basket and Reference Dates – Common Fixing Day**

Where the FX Linked Securities are specified in the relevant Final Terms to relate to an FX Rate Basket and such Final Terms specify that "Common Fixing Day" applies to any two or more FX Rates (such FX Rates being "**Common Basket FX Rates**" and each a "**Common Basket FX Rate**" for the purposes of this FX Linked Condition 1.5), the following provisions shall apply:

- (a) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date is a Common Fixing Day, then the Reference Date for each Common Basket FX Rate shall be such Scheduled Reference Date; and
- (b) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date is not a Common Fixing Day, then the Reference Date for each Common Basket FX Rate shall be the first succeeding FX Business Day following such Scheduled Reference Date which the Calculation Agent determines is a Common Fixing Day, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive FX Business Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Postponement immediately following such Scheduled Reference Date is not a Common Fixing Day. In that case:
  - (i) that last consecutive FX Business Day shall be deemed to be such Reference Date for each Common Basket FX Rate, notwithstanding the fact that such day is not a Fixing Day for one or more Common Basket FX Rates, (such Common Basket FX Rates being "**Affected Common Basket FX Rates**" for such Reference Date, and each such Common Basket FX Rate being an "**Affected Common Basket FX Rate**");
  - (ii) for each Common Basket FX Rate other than an Affected Common Basket FX Rate, the FX Rate shall be the relevant rate for such FX Rate published by the relevant Fixing Price Sponsor on such FX Business Day, as determined by the Calculation Agent; and
  - (iii) for each Affected Common Basket FX Rate, the Calculation Agent shall determine the FX Rate as of the relevant Valuation Time on such FX Business Day in its discretion, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (iii) shall be deemed to be the FX Rate at the relevant time in respect of the relevant Reference Date),

provided that,

- (c) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then the Reference Date for each Common Basket FX Rate shall be the Scheduled Reference Date, and the Calculation Agent shall determine the FX Rate as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date in its discretion, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner (and such determination by the Calculation Agent shall be deemed to be the FX Rate at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date).

## 2. **BRL FX Note Conditions**

### 2.1 **BRL Valuation Date Adjustments**

- (a) Where the relevant Final Terms specify "BRL FX Note Conditions" to be applicable, if:
- (i) the Scheduled BRL Valuation Date for a BRL Valuation Date is not a USD/BRL FX Business Day and is not an Unscheduled Holiday, then such BRL Valuation Date shall be brought forward to the first USD/BRL FX Business Day immediately preceding such Scheduled BRL Valuation Date (such day being the "**Adjusted Scheduled BRL Valuation Date**" for such BRL Valuation Date);
  - (ii) the Scheduled BRL Valuation Date for a BRL Valuation Date is an Unscheduled Holiday, then the BRL Valuation Date in respect of such date shall be postponed to the first following day that is a USD/BRL FX Business Day (such day being the "**Adjusted Scheduled BRL Valuation Date**" for such BRL Valuation Date), unless the first USD/BRL FX Business Day would fall after the Last Deferred Day for such BRL Valuation Date. In that case, the Adjusted Scheduled BRL Valuation Date for such BRL Valuation Date (and such BRL Valuation Date) shall be the first Scheduled USD/BRL FX Business Day falling after the Last Deferred Day,

and each BRL Valuation Date shall also be subject to further adjustment as set out in Disruption Fallback 1, Disruption Fallback 2, Disruption Fallback 3 and Disruption Fallback 4 as described in the FX Linked Condition 2.2 (*BRL Disruption Event Fallbacks*).

- (b) For the purpose of this FX Linked Condition 2.1, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"**Last Deferred Day**" means, in respect of the Scheduled BRL Valuation Date for a BRL Valuation Date, ten calendar days or such other Specified Day(s) after the Scheduled BRL Valuation Date for such BRL Valuation Date; and

"**Specified Day(s)**" means such number of Business Day(s), Clearing System Business Day(s) or calendar days as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

## 2.2 BRL Disruption Event Fallbacks

- (a) Where the relevant Final Terms specify "BRL FX Note Conditions" to be applicable, if in respect of a BRL Valuation Date, a Price Source Disruption Event has occurred or exists in respect of the BRL PTAX or BRL09 Rate on the Scheduled BRL Valuation Date for such BRL Valuation Date (if such Scheduled BRL Valuation Date is a USD/BRL FX Business Day) or on the Adjusted Scheduled BRL Valuation Date for such BRL Valuation Date (if such Scheduled BRL Valuation Date is not a USD/BRL FX Business Day or is an Unscheduled Holiday), the Calculation Agent shall first attempt to obtain the USD/BRL FX Rate for such BRL Valuation Date by applying the provisions of Disruption Fallback 1. If the application of the provisions of Disruption Fallback 1 fails to produce a USD/BRL FX Rate for such BRL Valuation Date, the Calculation Agent shall attempt to determine such USD/BRL FX Rate by applying the provisions of Disruption Fallback 2. If the application of the provisions of Disruption Fallback 2 fails to produce a USD/BRL FX Rate for such BRL Valuation Date, the Calculation Agent shall attempt to determine such USD/BRL FX Rate by applying the provisions of Disruption Fallback 3. If the subsequent application of the provisions of Disruption Fallback 3 fails to produce a USD/BRL FX Rate, the Calculation Agent shall attempt to determine such USD/BRL FX Rate by applying the provisions of Disruption Fallback 4.

- (b) For the purpose of this FX Linked Condition 2.2, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"**Disruption Fallback 1**" means, in respect of a BRL Valuation Date, that the Calculation Agent shall determine the USD/BRL FX Rate for such BRL Valuation Date in accordance with the EMTA BRL Industry Survey Rate applicable in respect of the Scheduled BRL Valuation Date for such BRL Valuation Date (if such Scheduled BRL Valuation Date is a USD/BRL FX Business Day) or the Adjusted Scheduled BRL Valuation Date for such BRL Valuation Date (if such Scheduled BRL Valuation Date is not a USD/BRL FX Business Day or is an Unscheduled Holiday) (and such day shall be deemed to be such BRL Valuation Date, unless Disruption Fallback 2 applies).

**"Disruption Fallback 2"** means, in respect of a BRL Valuation Date, if a Price Source Disruption Event has occurred or exists in respect of the EMTA BRL Industry Survey Rate on the Scheduled BRL Valuation Date for such BRL Valuation Date (if such Scheduled BRL Valuation Date is a USD/BRL FX Business Day) or the Adjusted Scheduled BRL Valuation Date for such BRL Valuation Date (if such Scheduled BRL Valuation Date is not a USD/BRL FX Business Day or is an Unscheduled Holiday), the Calculation Agent shall determine the USD/BRL FX Rate for such BRL Valuation Date in accordance with the provisions of the EMTA BRL Industry Survey Rate on the USD/BRL FX Business Day first succeeding the day on which such Price Source Disruption Event ceases to exist (and such day shall be deemed to be such BRL Valuation Date, unless Disruption Fallback 3 applies), unless such Price Source Disruption Event shall have occurred or existed throughout the Maximum Period of Postponement or unless the Adjusted Scheduled BRL Valuation Date falls after the Last Deferred Day for such BRL Valuation Date.

**"Disruption Fallback 3"** means, in respect of a BRL Valuation Date, if a Price Source Disruption Event has occurred or exists in respect of the EMTA BRL Industry Survey Rate throughout the Maximum Period of Postponement or if the Adjusted Scheduled BRL Valuation Date falls after the Last Deferred Day for such BRL Valuation Date, the Calculation Agent shall determine the USD/BRL FX Rate for such BRL Valuation Date in accordance with the provisions of the EMTA BRL Indicative Survey Rate:

- (a) if a Price Source Disruption Event has occurred or exists in respect of the EMTA BRL Industry Survey Rate throughout the Maximum Period of Postponement, on the first Scheduled USD/BRL FX Business Day following the end of the Maximum Period of Postponement; or
- (b) if such Adjusted Scheduled BRL Valuation Date falls after the Last Deferred Day for such BRL Valuation Date, on such Adjusted Scheduled BRL Valuation Date,

and, in each case, such day shall be deemed to be such BRL Valuation Date.

**"Disruption Fallback 4"** means, in respect of a BRL Valuation Date, if a Price Source Disruption Event has occurred or exists in respect of the EMTA BRL Indicative Survey Rate on such BRL Valuation Date as stated in Disruption Fallback 3, the Calculation Agent shall determine the USD/BRL FX Rate for such BRL Valuation Date taking into consideration all available information that in good faith it deems relevant.

**"EMTA"** means the Emerging Markets Trading Association.

**"EMTA BRL Indicative Survey Rate"** for any relevant day means the BRL/USD offered spot foreign exchange rate for USD, expressed as the amount of BRL per U.S.\$ 1.00, for settlement in two USD/BRL FX Business Days, as published on EMTA's website ([www.emta.org](http://www.emta.org)) at approximately 12.00 noon (São Paulo time), or as soon thereafter as practicable (or if not published by such time or soon thereafter as practicable, such other time when the rate is published as determined by the Calculation Agent) on such day. Such rate shall be calculated by EMTA (or a service provider EMTA may select in its sole discretion) pursuant to the EMTA BRL Indicative Survey Methodology (which means a methodology, dated as of 1 March 2004, as amended from time to time, for a centralized industry-wide survey of financial institutions that are active participants in the BRL/USD markets for the purpose of determining the EMTA BRL Indicative Survey Rate).

**"EMTA BRL Industry Survey Rate"** for any relevant day means the BRL/USD offered spot foreign exchange rate for USD, expressed as the amount of BRL per U.S.\$ 1.00, for settlement in two USD/BRL FX Business Days, as published on EMTA's website ([www.emta.org](http://www.emta.org)) at approximately 3.45 p.m. (São Paulo time), or as soon thereafter as practicable (or if not published by such time or soon thereafter as practicable, such other time when the rate is published as determined by the Calculation Agent) on such day. Such rate shall be calculated by EMTA (or a service provider EMTA may select in its sole discretion) pursuant to the EMTA BRL Industry Survey Methodology (which means a methodology, dated as of 1 March 2004, as amended from time to time, for a centralized industry-wide survey of financial

institutions in Brazil that are active participants in the BRL/USD spot markets for the purpose of determining the EMTA BRL Industry Survey Rate).

**"Maximum Period of Postponement"** means, in respect of a BRL Valuation Date, the period commencing on, and including, the Scheduled BRL Valuation Date for such BRL Valuation Date (if such Scheduled BRL Valuation Date is a USD/BRL FX Business Day) or the Adjusted Scheduled BRL Valuation Date for such BRL Valuation Date (if such Scheduled BRL Valuation Date is not a USD/BRL FX Business Day or is an Unscheduled Holiday) and ending on, and including, the Maximum Period of Postponement End Date.

**"Maximum Period of Postponement End Date"** means, in respect of a BRL Valuation Date and the Maximum Period of Postponement for such BRL Valuation Date, the tenth (10th) calendar day or other Specified Day(s) following the Scheduled BRL Valuation Date for such BRL Valuation Date (or, if the Adjusted Scheduled BRL Valuation Date for such BRL Valuation Date falls prior to the Scheduled BRL Valuation Date for such BRL Valuation Date, the tenth (10th) calendar day or other Specified Day(s) following such Adjusted Scheduled BRL Valuation Date).

**"Price Source Disruption Event"** means the occurrence or existence of an event on any day, the result or consequence of which is that it is impossible or impracticable to obtain the BRL PTAX or BRL09 Rate, the EMTA BRL Industry Survey Rate or the EMTA BRL Indicative Survey Rate, as is applicable, on such day (or, if different, the day on which rates for such day would, in the ordinary course be published or announced by the relevant price source).

**"Scheduled BRL Valuation Date"** has the meaning given to it in the Note Payout Conditions.

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**"Adjusted Final FX Valuation Date"** has the meaning given in the Instrument Payout Condition 2(a).

**"Adjusted Initial FX Valuation Date"** has the meaning given in the Instrument Payout Condition 2(a).

**"Affected Common Basket FX Rate"** and **"Affected Common Basket FX Rates"** have the meaning given thereto in FX Linked Condition 1.5(b)(i) (*FX Rate Basket and Reference Dates – Common Fixing Day*).

**"Affected Currency"** means the Settlement Currency, the Reference Currency or any other currency specified as an "Affected Currency" in relevant Final Terms.

**"Averaging Date"** means, in respect of an FX Rate, each date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms or otherwise determined as provided in the Conditions, subject to adjustment (as an Averaging Reference Date) in accordance with these FX Linked Conditions.

**"Averaging Reference Date"** means, in respect of an FX Rate, each Initial Averaging Date or Averaging Date, in each case, subject to adjustment in accordance with these FX Linked Conditions.

**"Barrier Event Determination Date"** means, unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms, any time in the Observation Period in respect of which a Spot Exchange Rate may be determined pursuant to the definition of "Spot Exchange Rate".

**"Base Currency"** means the Settlement Currency or such currency other than the Settlement Currency specified as a "Base Currency" in relevant Final Terms, unless the relevant Final Terms specify "Participation Certificate" to be applicable, in which case, "Base Currency" has the meaning given to it in the Instrument Payout Conditions.

**"Bloomberg Page"** means, in respect of an FX Rate and any designated page, the display page so designated on the Bloomberg<sup>®</sup> service (or such other page as may replace that page on that service (or replace such services) for the purpose of displaying a currency exchange rate comparable to such FX Rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent).

**"CNY FX Disruption Event"** means the occurrence of any of the following events:

- (a) **CNY Inconvertibility Event:** An event that makes it impossible or impractical for the Issuer to convert any amounts in CNY due in respect of the Securities in the general CNY foreign exchange market in the CNY Financial Centre, other than where such impossibility or impracticality is due solely to the failure of the Issuer to comply with any law, rule or regulation enacted by any Governmental Authority (unless such law, rule or regulation is enacted after the relevant Trade Date, and it is impossible or impractical for the Issuer, due to an event beyond its control, to comply with such law, rule or regulation);
- (b) **CNY Non-Transferability Event:** An event that makes it impossible or impractical for the Issuer to deliver CNY (i) between accounts inside the CNY Financial Centre or (ii) from an account inside the CNY Financial Centre to an account outside the CNY Financial Centre, other than where such impossibility or impracticality is due solely to the failure of the Issuer to comply with any law, rule or regulation enacted by any CNY Governmental Authority (unless such law, rule or regulation is enacted after the Trade Date and it is impossible or impractical for the Issuer, due to an event beyond its control, to comply with such law, rule or regulation); and
- (c) **CNY Illiquidity Event:** The general CNY foreign exchange market in the CNY Financial Centre becomes illiquid as a result of which the Issuer cannot obtain sufficient CNY in order to satisfy its payment obligations (in whole or in part) under the Securities.

"**CNY Financial Centre**" means the financial centre(s) specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

"**CNY Governmental Authority**" means any de facto or de jure government (or any agency or instrumentality thereof), court, tribunal, administrative or other governmental authority or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) of the People's Republic of China, the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and any other CNY Financial Centre.

"**Common Basket FX Rate**" and "**Common Basket FX Rates**" have the meaning given thereto in FX Linked Condition 1.5 (*FX Rate Basket and Reference Dates – Common Fixing Day*).

"**Common Fixing Day**" means, in respect of Common Basket FX Rates, each day which is a Fixing Day for all Common Basket FX Rates.

"**Currency Pair**" means, in respect of any FX Linked Security, the Reference Currency and the Base Currency.

"**Currency Price**" means, in respect of any relevant day, the Specified Rate of the Base Currency/Reference Currency exchange rate, expressed as an amount of the Reference Currency per unit of the Base Currency, as reported or published by the Fixing Price Sponsor at or around the Valuation Time on such day, as published on the FX Price Source for such day.

"**Fixing Day**" means, in respect of an FX Rate, either (i) a Publication Fixing Day or (ii) a Transaction Fixing Day, as specified in the relevant Final Terms, in each case on which no FX Disruption Event has occurred or is continuing.

"**FX Price Source**" means, in respect of an FX Rate which is: (a) an Asset FX Rate, an Asset FX Price Source, or (b) an FX Rate other than an Asset FX Rate, the display page(s) or price source(s) specified as such in the relevant Final Terms for such FX Rate, or if the relevant rate is not published or announced by such FX Price Source at the relevant time, the successor or alternative price source, display page or publication for the relevant rate as determined by the Calculation Agent acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner.

"**Fixing Price Sponsor**" means, in respect of (a) an Asset FX Rate, an Asset FX Fixing Price Sponsor, or (b) an FX Rate other than an Asset FX Rate, an entity specified as such in the relevant Final Terms, or its successor or replacement, as determined by the Calculation Agent, that is responsible for setting the relevant rate for such FX Rate, and in each case, if not specified, the corporation or other entity that, as determined by the Calculation Agent, is responsible for setting the relevant rate for such FX Rate.

"**FX Business Day**" means, in respect of an FX Rate:

- (a) each day (other than Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks are open for business (including dealings in foreign exchange in accordance with the practice of the foreign exchange market) in the principal financial centre of the Reference Currency and the Base Currency; and
- (b) to the extent that the Reference Currency or the Base Currency is euro, a day that is also a TARGET Settlement Day,

unless the relevant Final Terms specify "Non-Default FX Business Day for euro" to be applicable, in which case paragraph (b) shall not apply.

**"FX Disruption Event"** means the occurrence of any of the following events:

- (a) *Dual Exchange Rate Event*: Any FX Rate splits into dual or multiple currency exchange rates;
- (b) *Inconvertibility Event*: An event has occurred in or affecting any jurisdiction that generally makes it impossible to convert any Reference Currency into the Base Currency through customary legal channels;
- (c) *Non-Transferability Event*: An event has occurred in or affecting any Reference Country that generally makes it impossible to deliver (i) the Base Currency from accounts inside the Reference Country to accounts outside the Reference Country or (ii) the Base Currency between accounts inside the Reference Country for the Reference Currency or to a party that is a non-resident of the Reference Country;
- (d) *Governmental Authority Default*: A default, event of default, or other similar condition or event (however described) with respect to any security or indebtedness for borrowed money of, or guaranteed by, any governmental authority (as defined below), including, but not limited to, (i) the failure of timely payment in full of any principal, interest, or other amounts due (without giving effect to any applicable grace periods) in respect of any such security, indebtedness, or guarantee, (ii) a declared moratorium, standstill, waiver, deferral, repudiation, challenge of the validity, or rescheduling of any principal, interest, or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness, or guarantee, or (iii) the amendment or modification of the terms and conditions of payment of any principal, interest, or other amounts due in respect of any such security, indebtedness, or guarantee without the consent of all holders of such obligation. For these purposes, the determination of the existence or occurrence of any default, event of default, or other similar condition or event shall be made without regard to any lack or alleged lack of authority or capacity of such governmental authority to issue or enter into such security, indebtedness, or guarantee. "Governmental authority" means any de facto or de jure government (or any agency or instrumentality thereof), court, tribunal, administrative, executive, legislative or other governmental authority, or any other entity (private or public) charged with the regulation of the financial markets (including the central bank) of a Reference Country (which with respect to the Euro shall include the European Union as well as any member state thereof from time to time whose currency is the Euro);
- (e) *Exchange Rate Unavailability or Illiquidity Event*: It is or becomes impossible or not reasonably practicable for the Issuer or its affiliates to obtain an FX Rate from the source typically used for that rate, or to obtain a firm quote for any FX Rate;
- (f) *Nationalisation Event*: Any expropriation, confiscation, requisition, nationalisation or other action by a relevant governmental authority which deprives the Issuer or its affiliates of all or substantially all of its assets in any relevant jurisdiction; and
- (g) *Currency Merger*: If a relevant currency ceases to exist and is replaced by a new currency.

**"FX Linked Securities"** means FX Linked Notes or FX Linked Instruments, as the case may be.

**"FX Rate"** means an Asset FX Rate, a Currency Price, the EUR/USD FX Rate, the USD/BRL FX Rate, as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"FX Rate Basket"** means a basket composed of each Reference Currency specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"impractical"** or **"impracticality"** means, in relation to a CNY FX Disruption Event, that the Issuer (or any affiliate of the Issuer) would incur a materially increased amount of taxes, duties, expenses or fees (as compared with circumstances existing on the Trade Date and determined by the Calculation Agent) to perform the relevant action described in this definition.

**"impossible"**, in relation to a CNY FX Disruption Event, shall include (but shall not be limited to) any act which, if done or performed by the Issuer (or any affiliate of the Issuer) would be or result in the breach of any applicable law, rule, or regulation.

**"Initial Valuation Date"** means, in respect of an FX Rate, each date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms or otherwise determined as provided in the Conditions, subject to adjustment (as a Reference Date) in accordance with these FX Linked Conditions.

**"Interest Valuation Date"** means, in respect of an FX Rate, each date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms or otherwise determined as provided in the Conditions, subject to adjustment (as a Reference Date) in accordance with these FX Linked Conditions.

**"Maximum Days of Postponement"** means five FX Business Days or such other number of FX Business Days specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Modified Postponement"** has the meaning given thereto in FX Linked Condition 1.2(c) (*Single FX Rate and Averaging Reference Dates*) or FX Linked Condition 1.4(c) (*FX Rate Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Individual Fixing Day*), as the case may be.

**"No Adjustment"** has the meaning given thereto in FX Linked Condition 1.1(c) (*Single FX Rate and Reference Dates*), FX Linked Condition 1.2(d) (*Single FX Rate and Averaging Reference Dates*), FX Linked Condition 1.3(c) (*FX Rate Basket and Reference Dates – Individual Fixing Day*), FX Linked Condition 1.4(d) (*FX Rate Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Individual Fixing Day*) or FX Linked Condition 1.5(c) (*FX Rate Basket and Reference Dates – Common Fixing Day*), as the case may be.

**"Observation Period"** means the period commencing on, and including, the Observation Period Start Date and Time, and ending on, and including, the Observation Period End Date and Time.

**"Observation Period End Date and Time"** means the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms and 5 p.m. New York City time.

**"Observation Period Start Date and Time"** means the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms and 5.00 a.m. Sydney time.

**"Omission"** has the meaning given thereto in FX Linked Condition 1.2(a) (*Single FX Rate and Averaging Reference Dates*) or FX Linked Condition 1.4(a) (*FX Rate Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Individual Fixing Day*), as the case may be.

**"Postponement"** has the meaning given thereto in FX Linked Condition 1.2(b) (*Single FX Rate and Averaging Reference Dates*) or FX Linked Condition 1.4(b) (*FX Rate Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Individual Fixing Day*), as the case may be.

**"Publication Fixing Day"** means, in respect of an FX Rate, each day on which the Fixing Price Sponsor publishes the relevant rate for such FX Rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Reference Country"** means, in respect of a Reference Currency, the country specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Reference Currency"** means any currency specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Reference Date"** means, in respect of an FX Rate, each Initial Valuation Date, Valuation Date, or such other date as specified in the relevant Final Terms.



**"Reference Dealers"** means four leading dealers in the relevant foreign exchange market, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Reuters Screen"** means, in respect of an FX Rate and any designated page, the display page so designated on the Reuters Monitor Money Rates Service (or such other page as may replace that page on that service (or replace such services) for the purpose of displaying a currency exchange rate comparable to such FX Rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent).

**"Scheduled Averaging Date"** means, in respect of an FX Rate, any original date that, but for such day not being a Fixing Day for such FX Rate, would have been an Averaging Date.

**"Scheduled Averaging Reference Date"** means, in respect of an FX Rate, each Scheduled Averaging Date or Scheduled Initial Averaging Date.

**"Scheduled Initial Averaging Date"** means, in respect of an FX Rate, any original date that, but for such day not being a Fixing Day for such FX Rate, would have been an Initial Averaging Date.

**"Scheduled Initial Valuation Date"** means, in respect of an FX Rate, any original date that, but for such day not being a Fixing Day for such FX Rate, would have been an Initial Valuation Date.

**"Scheduled Reference Date"** means, in respect of an FX Rate, each Scheduled Initial Valuation Date or Scheduled Valuation Date, provided that if the relevant Final Terms specify "Participation FX Certificate" to be applicable, in respect of an FX Rate and a Reference Date which is (i) the Initial Valuation Date, the Scheduled Reference Date shall be the Adjusted Initial FX Valuation Date, and (ii) the Valuation Date, the Scheduled Reference Date shall be the Adjusted Final FX Valuation Date.

**"Scheduled Valuation Date"** means, in respect of an FX Rate, any original date that, but for such day not being a Fixing Day for such FX Rate, would have been a Valuation Date.

**"Settlement Currency"** has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms, or if not so given, the Specified Currency.

**"Specified Rate"** means the official fixing rate, official mid closing rate, spot rate, mid rate, fixing rate, as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Spot Exchange Rate"** means a rate that is based on the price for one or more actual foreign exchange transactions in the Spot Market involving the Currency Pair (or cross-rates constituting such Currency Pair) for settlement in accordance with the convention for the Currency Pair (such transactions being **"Qualifying Transactions"**), as determined on each Barrier Event Determination Date by the Calculation Agent. The Spot Exchange Rate of the Currency Pair shall be expressed as a fraction in terms of the amount of the Reference Currency that can be exchanged for one unit of the Base Currency, provided that:

- (h) transactions between parties who are not dealing at arm's length or who are otherwise not providing good-faith fair market prices shall not be Qualifying Transactions; and
- (i) transactions executed at off-market prices or between affiliates (even if such transactions are entered into at arm's length and in good faith) shall not be Qualifying Transactions.

**"Spot Market"** means the global spot foreign exchange market, open continuously from 5.00 a.m., Sydney time, on a Monday in any week to 5.00 p.m., New York City time, on the Friday of that week.

**"Trade Date"** means the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Transaction Fixing Day"** means, in respect of an FX Rate, each day (a) on which transactions in such FX Rate are occurring in the global foreign exchange spot markets, as determined by the Calculation Agent, and (b) which is a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in the principal financial centres of the Reference Currency and the Base Currency, and to the extent that the Reference Currency or the Base Currency is euro, a day that is also a TARGET Settlement Day.

**"USD/Affected Currency Exchange Rate"** means, in respect of any relevant day, the spot USD/Affected Currency exchange rate, expressed as an amount of Affected Currency per unit of USD, as reported or published by the Fixing Price Sponsor at the Valuation Time on such day, provided that if no such rate is available on such day, then the Calculation Agent may request each of the Reference Dealers to provide a firm quotation of the rate at which it will buy one unit of USD in an amount of Affected Currency at the applicable Valuation Time on such day, based upon each Reference Dealer's experience in the foreign exchange market for Affected Currency and general activity in such market on such day. If at least two quotations are provided, the relevant rate will be the arithmetic mean of such quotations. If fewer than two quotations are provided, the Calculation Agent may request each of the major banks (as selected by the Calculation Agent) in the relevant market to provide a quotation of the rate at which it will buy one unit of USD in an amount of Affected Currency at the applicable Valuation Time on such day. If fewer than two quotations are provided, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the USD/Affected Currency Exchange Rate as of the Valuation Time on such day in its discretion, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner.

**"USD/CNY Exchange Rate"** means, in respect of any relevant day, the spot USD/CNY exchange rate, expressed as an amount of CNY per unit of USD, as reported or published by the Fixing Price Sponsor at the Valuation Time on such day, provided that if no such rate is available on such day, then the Calculation Agent may request each of the Reference Dealers to provide a firm quotation of the rate at which it will buy one unit of USD in an amount of CNY at the applicable Valuation Time on such day, based upon each Reference Dealer's experience in the foreign exchange market for CNY and general activity in such market on such day. If at least two quotations are provided, the relevant rate will be the arithmetic mean of such quotations. If fewer than two quotations are provided, the Calculation Agent may request each of the major banks (as selected by the Calculation Agent) in the relevant market to provide a quotation of the rate at which it will buy one unit of USD in an amount of CNY at the applicable Valuation Time on such day. If fewer than two quotations are provided, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the USD/CNY Exchange Rate as of the Valuation Time on such day in its discretion, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner.

**"USD Equivalent Amount"** means, if the relevant Final Terms specify:

- (a) "FX Disruption Event" to be applicable, following the occurrence of an FX Disruption Event and in respect of the relevant Interest Amount, Settlement Amount, Redemption Amount or other amount payable (if applicable) on the relevant Affected Payment Date (for these purposes, the **"Affected Currency Amount"**), an amount in USD determined by the Calculation Agent by converting the Affected Currency Amount into USD using the USD/Affected Currency Exchange Rate for the relevant Affected Payment Cut-off Date; or
- (b) "CNY FX Disruption Event" to be applicable, following the occurrence of a CNY FX Disruption Event and in respect of the relevant Interest Amount, Settlement Amount, Redemption Amount or other amount payable (if applicable) on the relevant Affected Payment Date (for these purposes, the **"CNY Relevant Amount"**), an amount in USD determined by the Calculation Agent by converting the CNY Relevant Amount into USD using the USD/CNY Exchange Rate for the relevant Affected Payment Date.

**"Valid Date"** means a calendar day on which an FX Disruption Event has not occurred and on which another Averaging Reference Date does not or is not deemed to occur.

**"Valuation Date"** means, in respect of an FX Rate, each date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Valuation Time"** means, in respect of an FX Rate which is: (i) an Asset FX Rate, an Asset FX Valuation Time or (ii) a Currency Price, each time in the place specified as such in the relevant Final Terms (or such other time when the relevant rate of the FX Rate is published, as determined by the Calculation Agent).

## INTRODUCTION TO THE INFLATION LINKED CONDITIONS

*The following introduction to, and summary of, the Inflation Linked Conditions is only a description and overview of the actual Inflation Linked Conditions set forth herein, and is only intended to be a guide to potential purchasers to facilitate a general understanding of such provisions. Accordingly, this overview must be read only as an introduction to the actual Inflation Linked Conditions and any decisions to purchase Inflation Linked Securities should be based on a consideration of the Base Prospectus as a whole, including the actual Inflation Linked Conditions (as may be completed by the relevant Final Terms).*

### Payments

Payments (whether in respect of principal or interest and whether at maturity or otherwise) in respect of certain Inflation Linked Securities will be calculated by reference to the level of a single Inflation Index or the level of one or more Inflation Indices in an Inflation Index Basket or a formula based upon the level of one or more Inflation Indices in respect of one or more Reference Months (as set out in the Final Terms).

### Observation Dates and Delay in Publication

However, the **Relevant Level** in respect of a **Reference Month** for an Inflation Index, i.e. the specified calendar month for which the level of the Inflation Index was reported, may not be published or announced by a relevant **Observation Date**, i.e. a day which is typically five business days prior to the corresponding payment date. In such circumstances the Calculation Agent will determine a **Substitute Level**, by reference to either:

- (a) action taken by the calculation agent of the **Related Bond**, i.e. typically a bond issued on or prior to the issue date of the Inflation Linked Securities by the government of the country to whose level of inflation the Inflation Index relates, which pays a coupon or other amount which is calculated by reference to the Inflation Index and which has a similar maturity date to the maturity date of the Inflation Linked Securities, or
- (b) the **Base Level** of the Inflation Index, i.e. the level of the Inflation Index in respect of the month that is 12 calendar months prior to the Reference Month for which the Substitute Level is being determined, the **Latest Level**, i.e. the latest published level of the Inflation Index and the **Reference Level**, i.e. the level of the Inflation Index in respect of the month that is 12 calendar months prior to the month referred to in the Latest Level.

### Cessation of Publication and Successor Inflation Index

If (a) a level of the Inflation Index has not been published or announced for a period of two consecutive months or (b) the Inflation Index Sponsor announces that it will no longer continue to publish or announce the Inflation Index, then, in each case, the Calculation Agent shall determine a Successor Inflation Index for an Observation Date.

The Successor Inflation Index may be:

- (a) a successor inflation index designated by the calculation agent of the Related Bond; or
- (b) a replacement inflation index specified by the sponsor of the Inflation Index which uses substantially the same formula or method of calculation used for the Inflation Index; or
- (c) a replacement inflation index selected by leading independent dealers; or
- (d) an alternative inflation index determined by the Calculation Agent.

If the Calculation Agent determines that there is no appropriate alternative inflation index, then the Inflation Linked Securities shall be redeemed early.

### **Rebasing of an Inflation Index**

If the Inflation Index is rebased at any time before maturity, the Calculation Agent shall make adjustments as are made by the calculation agent of the Related Bond, if any, or in its own discretion so that the levels of the rebased Inflation Index reflect the same rate of inflation as the Inflation Index before it was rebased.

### **Material Modification prior to Observation Date**

If the sponsor of the Inflation Index announces that it will make a material change to the Inflation Index, then the calculation agent shall make adjustments as are made by the calculation agent of the Related Bond, if any, or adjustments that are necessary for the modified Inflation Index to continue as the Inflation Index. In addition, the Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the terms of the Inflation Linked Securities.

### **Change in Law**

Following the occurrence of a Change in Law, which results in the Issuer incurring material costs for performing its obligations under the Inflation Linked Securities, if specified as being applicable in the relevant Final Terms, the Calculation Agent may determine to make adjustments to the terms of the Inflation Linked Securities and/or the Inflation Linked Securities may be redeemed early.

### **Calculation Agent Determinations and Calculations**

The Calculation Agent, which will be Goldman Sachs International (unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms), may be required to make certain determinations and calculations pursuant to the Inflation Linked Conditions relating to, among others, the calculation of a level of an Inflation Index following a delay in publication, the determination of a successor inflation index following the cessation of publication of the level of the inflation index, the determination of the occurrence of a rebasing or material modification of an inflation index. In all circumstances, the Calculation Agent must make such determinations and calculations in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner.

## **INFLATION LINKED CONDITIONS**

### **Adjustment, Modification and Disruption Provisions for Inflation Linked Notes and Inflation Linked Instruments**

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These Inflation Linked Provisions shall apply to Instruments for which the relevant Final Terms specify that the Inflation Linked Instruments are applicable and to Notes for which the relevant Final Terms specify that the Inflation Linked Notes are applicable.

1. **Delay in Publication**

Subject to Inflation Linked Condition 2 (*Cessation of Publication*), if any Relevant Level in respect of any Observation Date (the "**Affected Observation Date**") has not been published or announced by the Affected Observation Date, the Calculation Agent shall determine a substitute level ("**Substitute Level**") by using the following methodology:

- (a) if applicable, the Calculation Agent will take the same action to determine the Substitute Level for the Affected Observation Date as that taken by the Related Bond Calculation Agent pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Related Bond (if any); and
- (b) if (a) does not result in a Substitute Level for the Affected Observation Date for any reason, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the Substitute Level as the product of (i) the Base Level and (ii) the quotient of the Latest Level divided by the Reference Level.

If a Relevant Level is published or announced at any time after the Affected Observation Date, such Relevant Level will not be used in any calculations in respect of such Affected Observation Date. The Substitute Level so determined pursuant to this Inflation Linked Condition 1 will be the definitive level of the Inflation Index for that Reference Month (subject to Inflation Linked Condition 2 (*Cessation of Publication*)).

2. **Cessation of Publication**

2.1 **Successor Inflation Index**

If (a) a level of the Inflation Index (whether or not used for any calculation on an Observation Date) has not been published or announced for a period of two consecutive months or (b) the Inflation Index Sponsor announces that it will no longer continue to publish or announce the Inflation Index, then, in each case, the Calculation Agent shall determine a successor inflation index (the "**Successor Inflation Index**") (in lieu of any previously applicable Inflation Index) for an Observation Date for the purpose of the Securities by using the following methodology:

- (i) if at any time (other than after the determination by the Calculation Agent that there is no appropriate alternative inflation index in accordance with Inflation Linked Condition 2.2 (*Early redemption of Inflation Linked Securities*)), a successor index has been designated by the Related Bond Calculation Agent pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Related Bond (if applicable), such successor index shall be deemed a "Successor Inflation Index" for the purposes of such Observation Date and all subsequent Observation Dates in relation to the Securities, notwithstanding that any other Successor Inflation Index may previously have been determined under Inflation Linked Condition 2.1(ii), 2.1(iii) or 2.1(iv) below; or
- (ii) if a Successor Inflation Index has not been determined under Inflation Linked Condition 2.1(i) above (and there has been no determination by the Calculation Agent that there is no appropriate alternative inflation index in accordance with Inflation Linked Condition 2.2 (*Early redemption of Inflation Linked Securities*)), and a notice has been given or an announcement has been made by an Inflation Index Sponsor, specifying that the Inflation Index will be superseded by a replacement inflation index specified by the Inflation Index Sponsor, and the Calculation Agent determines that such replacement inflation index is calculated using the same or substantially similar formula or method of calculation as used in the calculation of the previously applicable Inflation Index, then such replacement inflation index shall be deemed the Successor Inflation Index from the date that such replacement Inflation Index comes into effect; or

- (iii) if a Successor Inflation Index has not been determined under Inflation Linked Condition 2.1(i) or 2.1(ii) above (and there has been no determination by the Calculation Agent that there is no appropriate alternative inflation index in accordance with Inflation Linked Condition 2.2 (*Early redemption of Inflation Linked Securities*)), the Calculation Agent shall ask five leading independent dealers to state what the replacement inflation index for the Inflation Index should be. If between four and five responses are received, and of those four or five responses, three or more leading independent dealers state the same inflation index, that inflation index will be deemed the "Successor Inflation Index". If three responses are received, and two or more leading independent dealers state the same inflation index, that inflation index will be deemed the "Successor Inflation Index" in respect of the Securities from the date such inflation index is deemed the "Successor Inflation Index". If fewer than three responses are received, the "Successor Inflation Index" will be determined under Inflation Linked Condition 2.1(iv) below; or
- (iv) if a Successor Inflation Index has not been determined under Inflation Linked Condition 2.1(i), 2.1(ii) or 2.1(iii) above by such Observation Date, the Calculation Agent will determine an appropriate alternative inflation index for such Observation Date, and such inflation index will be deemed a "Successor Inflation Index" (from the date, such inflation index is deemed to be the "Successor Inflation Index").

## 2.2 **Early redemption of Inflation Linked Securities**

If the Calculation Agent determines that there is no appropriate alternative inflation index, on giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) or General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*), as applicable, the Issuer shall redeem the Inflation Linked Securities in whole but not in part, each Inflation Linked Security being redeemed by payment of an amount equal to the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount of such Inflation Linked Security, as determined by the Calculation Agent. Payments will be made in such a manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) or General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*), as applicable.

## 3. **Rebasing of Inflation Index**

If the Calculation Agent determines that the Inflation Index has been or will be rebased at any time, the Inflation Index as so rebased (the "**Rebased Inflation Index**") will be used for purposes of determining the level of the Inflation Index from the date of such rebasing; provided, however, that the Calculation Agent shall make adjustments as are made by the Related Bond Calculation Agent pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Related Bond, if any, to the levels of the Rebased Inflation Index so that the Rebased Inflation Index levels reflect the same rate of inflation as the Inflation Index before it was rebased. If there is no Related Bond, the Calculation Agent shall make adjustments to the levels of the Rebased Inflation Index so that the Rebased Inflation Index levels reflect the same rate of inflation as the Inflation Index before it was rebased. Any such rebasing shall not affect any prior payments made under the Securities.

## 4. **Material Modification prior to Observation Date**

In respect of each Observation Date, if, on or prior to such Observation Date, the Inflation Index Sponsor for the Inflation Index announces that it will make a material change to the Inflation Index then the Calculation Agent shall make any such adjustments to the Inflation Index consistent with adjustments made to the Related Bond, if any, or, if there is no Related Bond, only those adjustments necessary for the modified Inflation Index to continue as the Inflation Index. In addition, the Calculation Agent may, but shall not be obliged to, make such adjustments that it determines (in its sole and absolute discretion) to be appropriate to any variable, calculation methodology, valuation, settlement, payment terms or any other terms or conditions in respect of the Securities.

5. **Manifest Error in Publication**

In respect of each Observation Date, if, within 30 days of publication and in any event prior to such Observation Date, the Calculation Agent determines that the Inflation Index Sponsor has corrected the level of the Inflation Index to remedy a manifest error in its original publication, the Calculation Agent will determine the amount that is payable as a result of that correction and, to the extent necessary, will adjust any relevant terms of the Securities to account for any such correction.

6. **Occurrence of a Change in Law**

Following the determination by the Calculation Agent that a Change in Law, if specified as being applicable in the relevant Final Terms, has occurred, the Calculation Agent will:

- (a) determine the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any one or more of the terms of the Inflation Linked Securities, including without limitation, any variable or term relevant to the settlement or payment under such Inflation Linked Securities, as the Calculation Agent determines appropriate to account for the Change in Law, and determine the effective date of that adjustment; or
- (b) redeem all, but not some only, of the Inflation Linked Securities by giving notice to Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) or General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*), as the case may be. If the Inflation Linked Securities are so redeemed in whole, the Issuer will pay to each Holder in respect of each Inflation Linked Security held by such Holder an amount equal to the Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount of such Inflation Linked Security, taking into account the Change in Law, as determined by the Calculation Agent. Payments will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Holders in accordance with General Instrument Condition 18 (*Notices*) or General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*), as applicable.

7. **Definitions**

**"Affected Observation Date"** has the meaning given thereto in Inflation Linked Condition 1 (*Delay in Publication*).

**"Base Level"** means the level of the Inflation Index (excluding any "flash" estimates) published or announced by the Inflation Index Sponsor in respect of the month which is 12 calendar months prior to the month for which the Substitute Level is being determined.

**"Change in Law"** means that, on or after the Issue Date, due to (i) the adoption of or any change in any applicable law or regulation (including, without limitation, any tax law) or (ii) the promulgation of or any change in the interpretation by any court, tribunal or regulatory authority with competent jurisdiction of any applicable law or regulation (including any action taken by a taxing authority), the Calculation Agent determines that the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates will incur a materially increased cost in performing its obligations under the Inflation Linked Securities (including, without limitation, due to any increase in tax liability, decrease in tax benefit, or other adverse effect on its tax position).

**"Fallback Bond"** means, for any Inflation Index, the bond selected by the Calculation Agent and issued by the government of the country to whose level of inflation the Inflation Index relates and which pays a coupon or redemption amount which is calculated by reference to the Inflation Index, with a maturity date which falls on (a) the same day as the Maturity Date, (b) the next longest maturity after the Maturity Date if there is no such bond maturing on the Maturity Date, or (c) the next shortest maturity before the Maturity Date if no bond defined in (a) or (b) is selected by the Calculation Agent. The Calculation Agent will select the Fallback Bond from those inflation-linked bonds issued on or before the Issue Date and, if there is more than one inflation-linked bond maturing on the same date, the Fallback Bond shall be selected by the Calculation Agent from those bonds. If the Fallback Bond redeems, the Calculation Agent will select a new Fallback Bond on the same basis, but selected from all eligible bonds in issue at the time the original Fallback Bond redeems (including any bond for which the redeemed bond is exchanged).



**"Inflation Index" and "Inflation Indices"** mean, subject to adjustment in accordance with these Inflation Linked Conditions, the inflation index or indices specified in the relevant Final Terms, and related expressions shall be construed accordingly.

**"Inflation Index Sponsor"** means, for any Inflation Index, the entity specified in the relevant Final Terms, and, if not specified, the corporation, governmental agency or other entity that, as determined by the Calculation Agent, publishes or announces (directly or through an agent) the level of such Inflation Index.

**"Inflation Linked Securities"** means the Inflation Linked Notes or Inflation Linked Instruments, as the case may be.

**"Latest Level"** means the latest level of the Inflation Index (excluding any "flash" estimates) published or announced by the Inflation Index Sponsor prior to the month in respect of which the Substitute Level is being calculated.

**"Observation Date"** means, for any Inflation Index and a Relevant Level, five Business Days, or such other number of Business Days as specified in the relevant Final Terms, immediately prior to any payment date.

**"Rebased Inflation Index"** has the meaning given thereto in Inflation Linked Condition 3 (*Rebasing of Inflation Index*).

**"Reference Level"** means the level of the Inflation Index (excluding any "flash" estimates) published or announced by the Inflation Index Sponsor in respect of the month that is 12 calendar months prior to the month referred to in the relevant "Latest Level".

**"Reference Month"** means the specified calendar month for which the level of the Inflation Index was reported, regardless of when such information is published or announced (subject as provided in Inflation Linked Condition 1 (*Delay in Publication*)). If the period for which the level of the Inflation Index was reported is a period other than a month, the Reference Month is the period for which the level of the Inflation Index was reported (as determined by the Calculation Agent).

**"Related Bond"** means, for any Inflation Index, the Fallback Bond.

**"Related Bond Calculation Agent"** means, for any Related Bond, the calculation agent for such Related Bond, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Relevant Level"** means, for any Inflation Index, any level of such Inflation Index for a Reference Month which is relevant for the calculation of a payment under the Securities.

**"Substitute Level"** has the meaning given thereto in Inflation Linked Condition 1 (*Delay in Publication*).

**"Successor Inflation Index"** has the meaning given thereto in Inflation Linked Condition 2 (*Cessation of Publication*).

## INTRODUCTION TO THE MULTI-ASSET BASKET LINKED CONDITIONS

*The following introduction to, and overview of, the Multi-Asset Basket Linked Conditions is only a description and overview of the actual Multi-Asset Basket Linked Conditions set forth herein, and is only intended to be a guide to potential purchasers to facilitate a general understanding of such provisions. Accordingly, this overview must be read only as an introduction to the actual Multi-Asset Basket Linked Conditions and any decisions to purchase Multi-Asset Basket Linked Instruments should be based on a consideration of the Base Prospectus as a whole, including the actual Multi-Asset Basket Linked Conditions (as may be completed by the relevant Final Terms).*

### Payments, Scheduled Trading Days and Disrupted Days

Payments (whether in respect of principal or interest and whether at maturity or otherwise) in respect of Multi-Asset Basket Linked Instruments will be calculated by reference to the price or level of two or more **Shares** or **Indices** (or both) (the "**Assets**") in a Multi-Asset Basket or a formula based upon the price or level of two or more Assets at a specified time or times on one or more Reference Dates or Averaging Reference Dates (as set out in the Final Terms).

However, it may not be possible or practical for the Calculation Agent to determine the price or level of an Asset at a specified time on a Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date if such date:

- is not a **Scheduled Trading Day**; or
- is a **Disrupted Day**.

For the meanings of **Scheduled Trading Day** and **Disrupted Day** respectively in relation to an Asset that is:

- a Share, please refer to the section entitled "Introduction to the Share Linked Conditions" above; and
- an Index, please refer to the section entitled "Introduction to the Index Linked Conditions" above.

### Potential Postponement of Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date

In the circumstances described above, the Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date may, or may not, be postponed until a day on which the price or level of the relevant Asset is published or can otherwise be determined by the Calculation Agent, subject to a long-stop date (designated by reference to the term "**Maximum Days of Disruption**") by which a price must be determined for the purpose of calculating the payments in respect of the Multi-Asset Basket Linked Instruments.

The occurrence of a Scheduled Trading Day or a Disrupted Day may differ in respect of two or more Assets in a Multi-Asset Basket, and in such circumstances, the Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date for such Assets may remain different or may be postponed so that each Asset in the Multi-Asset Basket has the same Reference Date or Averaging Reference Date.

### Overview of Consequences

The Multi-Asset Basket Linked Conditions define the circumstances in which the determination of a price or level of Assets may be postponed and stipulate how such prices or levels should be determined by reference to Multi-Asset Basket Linked Instruments that relate to Reference Dates or Averaging Reference Dates.

The following overviews set out the default consequence in respect of each type of Multi-Asset Basket Linked Instrument if the Scheduled Reference Date or Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day for all the Assets in the Multi-Asset Basket or is a Disrupted Day for one or more Assets in the Multi-Asset Basket, though such overviews are subject to, and must be read in conjunction with, the more detailed contents of the Multi-Asset Basket Linked Conditions.

### Calculation Agent Determinations and Calculations

The Calculation Agent, which will be Goldman Sachs International (unless another entity is specified in the relevant Final Terms), may be required to make certain determinations and calculations pursuant to the Multi-Asset Basket Linked Conditions relating to, among others, the occurrence of a Scheduled Trading Day or a Disrupted Day, the calculation of a Closing Share Price (in the case the Asset is a Share) or a Closing Index Level (in the case the Asset is an Index), the occurrence, and materiality, of a Potential Adjustment Event, an Extraordinary Event, a Change in Law or an Additional Disruption Event (such terms are described in section entitled "Introduction to the Share Linked Conditions" above (in the case the Asset is a Share) and section entitled "Introduction to the Index Linked Conditions" above (in the case the Asset is an Index)), adjustments to the terms and conditions of Multi-Asset Basket Linked Instruments following the occurrence of such events and the calculation of early redemption amounts. In all circumstances, the Calculation Agent must make such determinations and calculations in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner.

### Multi-Asset Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Common Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day

If the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Scheduled Trading Day for all the Assets in a Multi-Asset Basket (a "**Common Trading Day**") or is a Disrupted Day for one or more Assets in such Multi-Asset Basket (a "**Common Disrupted Day**"), then one of the following three options may be selected:

- (a) **Postponement** – the Averaging Reference Date for each Asset will be the first succeeding Common Trading Day that is not a Common Disrupted Day, subject to a standard long-stop date of eight Common Trading Days (or such other number of Common Trading Days as specified in the Final Terms). In such circumstances,
  - (i) the last consecutive Common Trading Day shall be the Averaging Reference Date for each Asset;
  - (ii) if the last consecutive Common Trading Day is not a Disrupted Day for an Asset, then the relevant price or level of such Asset will be determined by reference to screen pages; and
  - (iii) if the last consecutive Common Trading Day is a Disrupted Day for an Asset, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant Closing Share Price or Closing Index Level (as the case may be) of such Asset,
- (b) **Modified Postponement** – the Averaging Reference Date for each Asset will be the first **Common Valid Date**, i.e. a Common Trading Day that is not a Common Disrupted Day, and which is not another Averaging Reference Date, subject to a standard long-stop date of eight Common Trading Days (or such other number of Common Trading Days as specified in the Final Terms). In such circumstances,
  - (i) the last consecutive Common Trading Day shall be the Averaging Reference Date for each Asset;
  - (ii) if the last consecutive Common Trading Day is not a Disrupted Day for an Asset, then the relevant price or level of such Asset will be determined by reference to screen pages; and
  - (iii) if the last consecutive Common Trading Day is a Disrupted Day for an Asset, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant Closing Share Price or Closing Index Level (as the case may be) of such Asset.
- (c) **No Adjustment** – the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date for each Asset will be the Averaging Reference Date, and the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant Closing Share Price or Closing Index Level (as the case may be) of each Asset on the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date.

**Multi-Asset Basket and Reference Dates – Common Trading Day but Individual Disrupted Day**

- (a) If the Scheduled Reference Date is a Scheduled Trading Day for all the Assets in a Multi-Asset Basket (a "**Common Trading Day**") and is not a Disrupted Day for each of the Assets in the Multi-Asset Basket, then the Scheduled Reference Date will be the Reference Date for each Asset.
- (b) If (i) the Scheduled Reference Date is a Common Trading Day but is a Disrupted Day for one or more Assets in such Multi-Asset Basket (a "**Common Disrupted Day**"), or (ii) the Scheduled Reference Date is not a Common Trading Day, in which case the Reference Date for **each** Asset will be first succeeding Common Trading Day, provided that,
  - (A) if such Common Trading Day is not a Disrupted Day for an Asset, then such Common Trading Day will be the Reference Date for such Asset; or
  - (B) if such Common Trading Day is a Disrupted Day for an Asset, then the Reference Date for such Asset will be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day for such Asset, subject to a standard long-stop date of eight Scheduled Trading Days (or such other number of Scheduled Trading Days as specified in the Final Terms), after which the Calculation Agent will determine the relevant Closing Share Price or Closing Index Level (as the case may be) of such Asset,

provided that, if the Final Terms specify that no adjustment should be made, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant the relevant Closing Share Price or Closing Index Level (as the case may be) of each Asset on the Scheduled Reference Date.

**Multi-Asset Basket and Reference Dates – Common Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day**

- (a) If the Scheduled Reference Date for each Asset is a Scheduled Trading Day for all the Assets in a Multi-Asset Basket (such Scheduled Trading Day, a "**Common Trading Day**") and not a Disrupted Day for one or more Assets (such Disrupted Day, a "**Common Disrupted Day**") then the Scheduled Reference Date will be the Reference Date for **each** Asset.
- (b) If the Scheduled Reference Date is not a Common Trading Day or is a Common Disrupted Day, then the Reference Date for each Asset will be first succeeding Common Trading Day which is not a Common Disrupted Day, subject to a standard long-stop date of eight Common Trading Days (or such other number of Common Trading Days as specified in the Final Terms). In such circumstances,
  - (i) the last consecutive Common Trading Day shall be the Reference Date for each Asset;
  - (ii) if the last consecutive Common Trading Day is not a Disrupted Day for an Asset, then such relevant price or level of such Asset will be determined by reference to screen pages; and
  - (iii) if the last consecutive Common Trading Day is a Disrupted Day for an Asset, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant Closing Share Price or Closing Index Level (as the case may be) of such Asset,

provided that, if the relevant Final Terms specify that no adjustment should be made, then the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant Closing Share Price or Closing Index Level (as the case may be) of such Asset on the Scheduled Reference Date.

**Adjustments to terms of Multi-Asset Linked Instruments**

Please refer to sections entitled "Introduction to the Share Linked Conditions" (in the case an Asset is a Share) and "Introduction to the Index Linked Conditions" (in the case an Asset is an Index) above for an overview of the circumstances in which the Calculation Agent may make adjustments to the terms of the Multi-Asset Linked Instruments and calculations as described in the Conditions, may substitute any Asset which is a Share and/or the Multi-Asset Linked Instruments may be redeemed or terminated early..

## **MULTI-ASSET BASKET LINKED CONDITIONS**

### **Adjustment and Disruption Provisions for Multi-Asset Basket Linked Instruments**

1. **Consequences of Non-Common Trading Days and/or Common Disrupted Days**
  - 1.1 Multi-Asset Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Common Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day
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2. **Definitions**

These Multi-Asset Basket Linked Conditions shall apply to Instruments for which the relevant Final Terms specify that the Multi-Asset Basket Linked Instruments are applicable.

1. **Consequences of Non-Common Trading Days and/or Common Disrupted Days**

1.1 **Multi-Asset Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Common Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day**

If the relevant Final Terms specify "**Multi-Asset Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Common Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day)**" to be applicable to the Common Basket Assets, if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Common Trading Day for any Common Basket Asset or is a Common Trading Day that is a Common Disrupted Day and:

- (a) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**Postponement**" to be applicable, then the Averaging Reference Date for each Common Basket Asset shall be the first succeeding Common Trading Day following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date which the Calculation Agent determines is not a Common Disrupted Day, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Common Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption immediately following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is a Common Disrupted Day. In that case:
  - (i) that last consecutive Common Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for such Common Basket Asset, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day for one or more Common Basket Assets (such Common Basket Assets being "**Affected Common Basket Assets**" for such Averaging Reference Date, and each such Common Basket Asset being an "**Affected Common Basket Asset**" for such Averaging Reference Date);
  - (ii) for each Common Basket Asset other than an Affected Common Basket Asset, where such Common Basket Asset is:
    - (A) a Share, the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant price of such Share by reference to the relevant screen pages at the applicable Valuation Time on such last consecutive Common Trading Day; or
    - (B) an Index, the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant level of such Index by reference to the relevant screen pages at the applicable Valuation Time on such last consecutive Common Trading Day; or
  - (iii) for each Affected Common Basket Asset which is:
    - (A) a Share, the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the relevant price for such Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Common Trading Day (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (iii)(A) shall be deemed to be the relevant Closing Share Price of such Share at the relevant Valuation Time of such Share in respect of such Averaging Reference Date);
    - (B) an Index, the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant level of such Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Common Trading Day in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of the first Common Disrupted Day, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Common Trading Day of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 8 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on that last consecutive Common Trading Day, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Common Trading Day), and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (iii)(B)

shall be deemed to be the relevant Closing Index Level of such Index at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of such Averaging Reference Date).

For the avoidance of doubt, an Averaging Reference Date determined in accordance with this Multi-Asset Basket Linked Condition 1.1 in respect of a Scheduled Averaging Reference Date may fall on the same day that another Averaging Reference Date in respect of another Scheduled Averaging Reference Date falls, whether or not such latter Averaging Reference Date was also determined in accordance with this Multi-Asset Basket Linked Condition 1.1.

- (b) if the relevant Final Terms specify that "**Modified Postponement**" to be applicable, then the relevant Averaging Reference Date for each Common Basket Asset shall be the first succeeding Common Valid Date. If the first succeeding Common Valid Date has not occurred as of the relevant Valuation Time on the consecutive Common Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption immediately following such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date that, but for the occurrence of another Averaging Reference Date or a Common Disrupted Day, would have been the relevant Averaging Reference Date, then:
  - (i) that last consecutive Common Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Averaging Reference Date for each Common Basket Asset, notwithstanding the fact that such day is already an Averaging Reference Date or is a Disrupted Day for one or more Common Basket Assets (such Common Basket Assets being "**Affected Common Basket Assets**" for such Averaging Reference Date, and each such Common Basket Asset being an "**Affected Common Basket Asset**" for such Averaging Reference Date); and
  - (ii) for each Common Basket Asset other than an Affected Common Basket Asset, where such Common Basket Asset is:
    - (A) a Share, the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant price of such Share by reference to the relevant screen pages at the applicable Valuation Time on such last consecutive Common Trading Day; or
    - (B) an Index, the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant level of such Index by reference to the relevant screen pages at the applicable Valuation Time on such last consecutive Common Trading Day; or
  - (iii) for each Affected Common Basket Asset which is:
    - (A) a Share, the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the relevant price for such Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Common Trading Day (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (iii)(A) shall be deemed to be the relevant Closing Share Price of such Share at the relevant Valuation Time of such Share in respect of such Averaging Reference Date);
    - (B) an Index, the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant level of such Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Common Trading Day in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of the first Common Disrupted Day, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Common Trading Day of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 8 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on that last consecutive Common Trading Day, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Common Trading Day), and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (iii)(B)

shall be deemed to be the relevant Closing Index Level of such Index at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of such Averaging Reference Date),

provided that,

- (c) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then the Averaging Reference Date for each Common Basket Asset shall be the Scheduled Averaging Reference Date, notwithstanding the fact that such Scheduled Averaging Reference Date is not a Common Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for one or more Common Basket Assets, and where such Common Basket Asset is:
  - (i) a Share, the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the relevant price for such Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Averaging Reference Date (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (c)(i) shall be deemed to be the relevant Closing Share Price of such Share at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date); or
  - (ii) an Index, the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant level of such Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Averaging Reference Date in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of such Averaging Reference Date, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Averaging Reference Date of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 8 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on such Averaging Reference Date, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Averaging Reference Date) and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (c)(ii) shall be deemed to be the relevant Closing Index Level of such Index at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Averaging Reference Date.

**1.2 Multi-Asset Basket and Reference Dates – Common Trading Day but Individual Disrupted Day**

If the relevant Final Terms specify "**Multi-Asset Basket and Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Common Trading Day but Individual Disrupted Day)**" to be applicable to the Common Basket Assets, the following provisions shall apply:

- (a) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date is a Common Trading Day that is not a Disrupted Day for each Common Basket Asset, then the Reference Date for each Common Basket Asset shall be such Scheduled Reference Date;
- (b) if (i) the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date is a Common Trading Day but is a Common Disrupted Day, or (ii) the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date is not a Common Trading Day, in which case the Reference Date for each Common Basket Asset shall be the first succeeding Common Trading Day following such Scheduled Reference Date, provided that if such Common Trading Day is a Disrupted Day for one or more Common Basket Assets, then, in respect of (i) and (ii), the following provisions shall apply:
  - (A) if the Calculation Agent determines that such Common Trading Day is not a Disrupted Day for a Common Basket Asset, then the Reference Date for such Common Basket Asset shall be such Common Trading Day;
  - (B) if the Calculation Agent determines that such Common Trading Day is a Disrupted Day for a Common Basket Asset, then the Reference Date for such Common Basket Asset shall be the first succeeding Scheduled Trading Day which the Calculation Agent determines is not a Disrupted Day for such Common Basket Asset, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Scheduled Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption immediately following such Common Trading Day is a Disrupted Day for such Common Basket Asset. In that case:



- (I) that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Reference Date for such Common Basket Asset, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day for such Common Basket Asset; and
- (II) where such Common Basket Asset is:
  - (1) a Share, the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the relevant price for such Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (II)(1) shall be deemed to be the relevant Closing Share Price for such Share at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date); or
  - (2) an Index, the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant level of such Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of the first Disrupted Day, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 8 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Scheduled Trading Day) and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (II)(2) shall be deemed to be the relevant Closing Index Level of such Index at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date),

provided that,

- (c) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then in respect of a Reference Date and a Common Basket Asset, the Reference Date for such Common Basket Asset shall be the Scheduled Reference Date, notwithstanding the fact that such Scheduled Reference Date is not a Common Trading Day or is a Disrupted Day for any Common Basket Asset, and where such Common Basket Asset is:
  - (i) a Share, the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the relevant price for such Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (c)(i) shall be deemed to be the Closing Share Price of such Share at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date); or
  - (ii) an Index, and the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant level of such Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of such Reference Date, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 8 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on such Reference Date, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date) and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (c)(ii) shall be deemed to be the Closing Index Level of such Index at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date.

### 1.3 Multi-Asset Basket and Reference Dates – Common Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day

If the relevant Final Terms specify "**Multi-Asset Basket and Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Common Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day)**" to be applicable to the Common Basket Assets, the following provisions shall apply:

- (a) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date is a Common Trading Day that is not a Common Disrupted Day, then the Reference Date for each Common Basket Asset shall be such Scheduled Reference Date;
- (b) if the Calculation Agent determines that any Scheduled Reference Date is not a Common Trading Day or is a Common Trading Day that is a Common Disrupted Day, then the Reference Date for each Common Basket Asset shall be the first succeeding Common Trading Day following such Scheduled Reference Date which the Calculation Agent determines is not a Common Disrupted Day, unless the Calculation Agent determines that each of the consecutive Common Trading Days equal in number to the Maximum Days of Disruption immediately following such Scheduled Reference Date is a Common Disrupted Day. In that case:
  - (i) that last consecutive Common Trading Day shall be deemed to be such Reference Date for each Common Basket Asset, notwithstanding the fact that such day is a Disrupted Day for one or more Common Basket Assets (such Common Basket Assets being "**Affected Common Basket Assets**" for such Reference Date, and each such Common Basket Asset being an "**Affected Common Basket Asset**" for such Reference Date);
  - (ii) for each Common Basket Asset other than an Affected Common Basket Asset, where such Common Basket Asset is:
    - (A) a Share, the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant price of such Share by reference to the relevant screen pages at the applicable Valuation Time on such last consecutive Common Trading Day; or
    - (B) an Index, the relevant level of such Index by reference to the relevant screen pages by the Calculation Agent at the applicable Valuation Time on such last consecutive Common Trading Day; and
  - (iii) for each Affected Common Basket Asset which is:
    - (A) a Share, the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the relevant price for such Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Common Trading Day (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (iii)(A) shall be deemed to be the relevant Closing Share Price of such Share at the relevant Valuation Time of such Share in respect of such Reference Date);
    - (B) an Index, the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant level of such Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Common Trading Day in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of the first Common Disrupted Day, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Common Trading Day of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 8 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on that last consecutive Common Trading Day, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on that last consecutive Common Trading Day), and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (iii)(B) shall be deemed to be the relevant Closing Index Level of such Index at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of such Reference Date),

provided that,

- (c) if the relevant Final Terms specify "**No Adjustment**" to be applicable, then in respect of a Reference Date and a Common Basket Asset, the Reference Date for such Common Basket Asset shall be the Scheduled Reference Date, notwithstanding the fact that such Scheduled Reference Date is not a Common Trading Day or is a Common Disrupted Day, and where such Common Basket Asset is:
- (i) a Share, the Calculation Agent shall determine its good faith estimate of the relevant price for such Share as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date (and such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (c)(i) shall be deemed to be the relevant Closing Share Price of such Share at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date); or
  - (ii) an Index, the Calculation Agent shall determine the relevant level of such Index as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date in accordance with the formula for and method of, calculating such Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of such Reference Date, using the Exchange traded or quoted price as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date of each Component comprised in such Index (or, if an event giving rise to a Disrupted Day (as defined in Share Linked Condition 8 (*Definitions*)) has occurred in respect of any relevant Component that is a share on such Reference Date, its good faith estimate of the value for the relevant Component as of the relevant Valuation Time on such Reference Date) and, in respect of such Index, such determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this paragraph (c)(ii) shall be deemed to be the relevant Closing Index Level of such Index at the relevant Valuation Time in respect of the relevant Reference Date.

## 2. Definitions

In these Multi-Asset Basket Linked Conditions, unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms shall have the respective meanings set out below:

**"Asset"** means an Index or a Share (and collectively the **"Assets"**).

**"Averaging Reference Date"** in respect of an Asset which is:

- (a) a Share, has the meaning given to it in the Share Linked Conditions; or
- (b) an Index, has the meaning given to it in the Index Linked Conditions.

**"Common Basket Assets"** means the Assets in a Multi-Asset Basket (each, a **"Common Basket Asset"**).

**"Common Disrupted Day"** means a day which is a Disrupted Day for one or more Assets in a Multi-Asset Basket.

**"Common Trading Day"** means, in respect of a Multi-Asset Basket, a day which is Scheduled Trading Day for all the Assets in such Multi-Asset Basket.

**"Common Valid Date"** means a Common Trading Day that is not a Common Disrupted Day and on which another Averaging Reference Date does not or is not deemed to occur.

**"Disrupted Day"** in respect of an Asset which is:

- (a) a Share, has the meaning given to it in the Share Linked Conditions; or
- (b) an Index, has the meaning given to it in the Index Linked Conditions.

**"Maximum Days of Disruption"** means, in respect of Multi-Asset Basket Linked Instruments:

- (a) where the relevant Final Terms specify "Multi-Asset Basket and Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Common Trading Day but Individual Disrupted Day)" to be applicable, eight Scheduled Trading Days; or

- (b) where the relevant Final Terms specify "Multi-Asset Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Common Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day)" or "Multi-Asset Basket and Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Common Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day)" to be applicable, eight Common Trading Days,

or, in each case, such other number of Scheduled Trading Days or Common Trading Days, as applicable, as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

**"Multi-Asset Basket"** means, subject to adjustment in accordance with the Share Linked Conditions or Index Linked Conditions (as applicable), a basket composed of Assets in the relative proportions or numbers of Assets, as specified in the relevant Final Terms, other than a Share Basket or an Index Basket.

**"Reference Date"** in respect of an Asset which is:

- (a) a Share, has the meaning given to it in the Share Linked Conditions; or
- (b) an Index, has the meaning given to it in the Index Linked Conditions.

**"Scheduled Averaging Reference Date"** in respect of an Asset which is:

- (a) a Share, has the meaning given to it in the Share Linked Conditions; or
- (b) an Index, has the meaning given to it in the Index Linked Conditions.

**"Scheduled Reference Date"** in respect of an Asset which is:

- (a) a Share, has the meaning given to it in the Share Linked Conditions; or
- (b) an Index, has the meaning given to it in the Index Linked Conditions.

**"Scheduled Trading Day"** in respect of an Asset which is:

- (a) a Share, has the meaning given to it in the Share Linked Conditions; or
- (b) an Index, has the meaning given to it in the Index Linked Conditions.

**"Valuation Time"** in respect of an Asset which is:

- (a) a Share, has the meaning given to it in the Share Linked Conditions; or
- (b) an Index, has the meaning given to it in the Index Linked Conditions.

**ADDITIONAL SOUTH AFRICAN NOTE CONDITIONS****Additional terms and conditions for South African Notes**

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**Application:** These Additional South African Note Conditions shall apply to all Notes specified as "South African Notes" in the relevant Final Terms.

**1. Introduction**

- (a) *Programme:* Goldman Sachs International ("**GSI**") and Goldman, Sachs & Co. Wertpapier GmbH ("**GSW**"), have established a programme (the "**Programme**") for the issuance of warrants, notes and certificates. The payment and delivery obligations of, amongst others, GSI, are guaranteed by The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.

For the purposes of listing South African Notes on the Interest Rate Market of the JSE, GSI (the "**Issuer**") has prepared a JSE placement document which applies to all South African Notes issued by the Issuer under the Programme and which are to be listed on the Interest Rate Market of the JSE and cleared through the CSD on or after the Programme Date, as amended, restated and/or supplemented from time to time (the "**JSE Placement Document**"). The JSE Placement Document will be approved by the JSE.

- (b) *Agency Agreement:* South African Notes issued in accordance with these Additional South African Note Conditions ("**South African Notes**"), as read with the General Note Conditions, are issued pursuant to an agency agreement dated 7 September 2011 between GSI, the South African Paying Agent and the South African Transfer Agent (each as defined in South African Note Condition 2(a) (*Definitions and Interpretation*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions) as amended, restated and/or supplemented from time to time (the "**South African Agency Agreement**") and, with respect to such South African Notes, references in the Conditions to the "*Agency Agreement*" are to such agreement.
- (c) *Final Terms:* South African Notes issued under the Programme are issued in series (each, a "**Series**") and each Series may comprise one or more tranches ("**Tranches**" and each, a "**Tranche**") of South African Notes. Each Tranche of South African Notes will be the subject of a final terms (the "**Final Terms**"), the form of which is set out in the section entitled "*Form of Final Terms (Notes)*" of the Base Prospectus, a copy of which may be obtained free of charge from the Specified Office of the South African Paying Agent. In addition, copies of the relevant Final Terms relating to South African Notes issued in accordance with these Additional South African Note Conditions will be lodged with the JSE and will be available for viewing on the website of the JSE (<http://www.jse.co.za>) and copies of which may be obtained free of charge from the Specified Office of the South African Transfer Agent. In

addition to the provisions already contained in the form set out in the section entitled "*Form of Final Terms (Notes)*" of the Base Prospectus, the Final Terms will include provision relating to:

- (i) methods of distribution;
  - (ii) Last Day to Register;
  - (iii) Books Closed Period;
  - (iv) value of the total securities in issue;
  - (v) applicable credit rating;
  - (vi) date of credit rating; and
  - (vii) additional terms and conditions (including additional disclosure requirements required in terms of the Commercial Paper Regulations).
- (d) *Conditions:* These Additional South African Note provisions shall supplement and amend (as applicable) the General Note Conditions in relation to the issue of South African Notes.
- (e) *Guaranty:* The payment obligations of GSI in respect of the South African Notes issued are unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed by GSG pursuant to a guaranty dated 24 June 2013 made by GSG (the "**Guaranty**").
- (f) *The South African Notes:* All subsequent references in these Additional South African Note Conditions to "**South African Notes**" are to the South African Notes which are the subject of the relevant Final Terms.
- (g) *Summaries:* Certain provisions of these Additional South African Note Conditions are summaries of the South African Agency Agreement and the Guaranty and are subject to their detailed provisions. Noteholders are bound by, and are deemed to have notice of, all the provisions of the South African Agency Agreement and the Guaranty applicable to them. Copies of the South African Agency Agreement and the Guaranty are available for inspection by Noteholders during normal business hours at the Specified Office of the South African Transfer Agent.

## 2. Definitions and Interpretation

- (a) *Definitions:* In these Additional South African Note Conditions, unless inconsistent with the context or otherwise separately defined in the relevant Final Terms, the following expressions shall have the following meanings:

"**Additional South African Note Conditions**" has the meaning given in General Note Condition 1(c)(ii) (*Terms and Conditions*);

"**Applicable Procedures**" means the rules and operating procedures for the time being of the CSD, the CSD Participants and the listing and disclosure requirements of the JSE;

"**Base Prospectus**" means the base prospectus prepared by GSI and GSW in respect of the Programme dated 24 June 2013, as amended, restated and/or supplemented from time to time;

"**Beneficial Interest**" means, in relation to a Series of South African Notes held in the CSD, the beneficial interest as co-owner of an undivided share in all of the South African Notes in that Series, as contemplated in section 37(1) of the South African Financial Markets Act, the principal amount of which beneficial interest, in relation to any number of South African Notes in that Series, is determined by reference to the proportion that principal amount of such number of South African Notes bears to the principal amount of all of the South African Notes in that Series, as contemplated in section 37(3) of the South African Financial Markets Act;

"**Books Closed Period**" means, in relation to a Series of South African Notes, the period, as specified in the relevant Final Terms, commencing after the Last Day to Register, during

which transfers of any South African Notes will not be registered, or such shorter period as the Issuer and any relevant dealer may decide in order to determine those Holders entitled to receive payment of principal or interest;

**"Business Day"** means a day (i) (other than a Saturday, Sunday or statutory public holiday in South Africa) on which commercial banks settle payments in Rand in Johannesburg; and (ii) on which banks in London are open for business;

**"Commercial Paper Regulations"** means the commercial paper regulations of 14 December 1994 issued pursuant to paragraph (cc) of the definition of *"the business of a bank"* in the South African Banks Act, set out in Government Notice 2172 and published in *Government Gazette* 16167 of 14 December 1994;

**"CSD"** means Strate Limited (registration number 1998/022242/06), licensed as a central securities depository in terms of section 29 of the South African Financial Markets Act, and any reference to *"CSD"* shall, whenever the context permits, be deemed to include any successor depository operating in terms of the South African Financial Markets Act, and any additional or alternate depository approved by the Issuer;

**"CSD's Nominee"** means a wholly owned subsidiary of the CSD approved in terms of the South African Financial Markets Act, and any reference to *"CSD's Nominee"* shall, whenever the context permits, be deemed to include any successor nominee operating in terms of the South African Financial Markets Act;

**"CSD Participant"** means a person accepted by the CSD as a participant, as contemplated in section 31 of the South African Financial Markets Act, and who is authorised by the CSD, in terms of the rules of CSD;

**"Event of Default"** means any of the events described as such in General Note Condition 14 (*Events of Default*);

**"General Note Conditions"** means the general terms and conditions of the Notes as set out in the section of the Base Prospectus headed *"General Terms and Conditions of the Notes"*;

**"Guarantor"** means The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc., a U.S. corporation established under the laws of the State of Delaware;

**"Individual Note Certificate"** means (i) a single certificate in definitive registered form without interest coupons representing those South African Notes for which a Beneficial Interest has been exchanged in accordance with Condition 8 (*Exchange of Beneficial Interests for an Individual Note Certificate*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions or (ii) the single certificate in Individual Note registered form without interest coupons representing any other South African Notes, as the context requires;

**"Issue Date"** means, in relation to a Tranche of South African Notes, the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Issuer"** means Goldman Sachs International, an English company formed on 2 June 1998 which was re-registered as a private unlimited liability company in England and Wales with the Registrar of Companies on 25 February 1994 (registration number 02263951), having previously been registered as a limited liability company under the name "Goldman Sachs International Limited" which provides a wide-range of financial services to clients located worldwide and undertakes proprietary trading and is regulated by the Financial Services Authority;

**"JSE"** means the JSE Limited (registration number 2005/022939/06), a public company with limited liability incorporated in accordance with the laws of South African and a licensed exchange in terms of the South African Financial Markets Act, and any reference to *"JSE"* shall, whenever the context permits, be deemed to include any successor exchange operating in terms of the South African Financial Markets Act;

**"Last Day to Register"** means, in relation to a Series of South African Notes, the eleventh day preceding the due date for any payment of principal or interest in respect of that Series of South African Notes on which the South African Transfer Agent will accept Transfer Forms and record in the South African Register the transfer of South African Notes in that Series and whereafter the South African Register is closed for further transfer or entries until the due date for such payment of principal or interest;

**"Noteholders"** or **"Holder"** means the holders of South African Notes recorded as such in the South African Register;

**"R"** or **"Rand"** or **"ZAR"** or **"South African Rand"** or **"cent"** means the lawful currency of South Africa;

**"Series"** has the meaning given in Condition 1(c) (*Final Terms*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions;

**"South Africa"** means the Republic of South Africa;

**"South African Banks Act"** means the Banks Act, 1990;

**"South African Calculation Agent"** means Goldman Sachs International, unless the Issuer elects to appoint another entity as Calculation Agent in relation to one or more Tranche of South African Notes, in which event such entity (and a description of the arrangements pursuant to which such entity as been so appointed by the Issuer) will be specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"South African Companies Act"** means the Companies Act, 2008;

**"South African Financial Markets Act"** means the Financial Markets Act, 2012;

**"South African Paying Agent"** means The Standard Bank of South Africa Limited (incorporated with limited liability under registration number 1962/000738/06 in South Africa), unless the Issuer elects to appoint another entity as Paying Agent in relation to one or more Tranche of South African Notes, in which event such entity (and a description of the arrangements pursuant to which such entity as been so appointed by the Issuer) will be specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"South African Register"** means the register of Noteholders of South African Notes maintained by the South African Transfer Agent in terms of Condition 9 (*South African Register*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions;

**"South African Transfer Agent"** means The Standard Bank of South Africa Limited (incorporated with limited liability under registration number 1962/000738/06 in South Africa), unless the Issuer elects to appoint another entity as South African Transfer Agent in relation to one or more Tranche of South African Notes, in which event such entity (and a description of the arrangements pursuant to which such entity has been so appointed by the Issuer) will be specified in the relevant Final Terms;

**"Specified Office"** means, in relation to each of the Issuer, the South African Paying Agent and the South African Transfer Agent, the address of the office specified in respect of such entity at the end of the JSE Placement Document, or such other address as is notified by such entity (or, where applicable, a successor to such entity) to the Noteholders (in the manner set out in Condition 11(a) (*Notice to Noteholders*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions), as the case may be;

(b) *Interpretation:* In addition to Condition 2(b) (*Interpretation*) of the General Note Conditions which shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to these Additional South African Note Conditions, in these Additional South African Note Conditions:

(i) Words and expressions used in the relevant Final Terms shall have the same meanings where used in the General Note Conditions and these Additional South African Note Conditions unless the context requires or unless otherwise stated.



- (ii) Any reference to legislation or a statute shall be to such legislation or statute as amended, varied or repealed and re-enacted from time to time.
- (iii) If there is any conflict or inconsistency between provisions set out in the General Note Conditions and these Additional South African Note Conditions, then the provisions in these Additional South African Note Conditions will prevail. If there is any conflict or inconsistency between provisions set out in the relevant Final Terms and the provisions set out in these Additional South African Note Conditions, then the provisions in the relevant Final Terms will prevail.
- (iv) In respect of South African Notes, all references in the General Note Conditions to the "*Agency Agreement*" shall be deemed to be to the "*South African Agency Agreement*", all references in the General Note Conditions to the "*Register*" shall be deemed to be to the "*South African Register*", all references in the General Note Conditions to the "*Registrar*" and "*Fiscal Agent*" shall be deemed to be to the "*South African Transfer Agent*", all references in the General Note Conditions to the "*Paying Agent*" shall be deemed to be to the "*South African Paying Agent*", and all references in the General Note Conditions to "*Calculation Agent*" shall be deemed to be the "*South African Calculation Agent*", if applicable.
- (v) To the extent that any terms defined in the General Note Conditions are also defined herein, the definition in these Additional South African Note Conditions shall prevail.
- (vi) Capitalised terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the General Note Conditions, the Base Prospectus or the JSE Placement Document, to the extent applicable.

### 3. **Form and Denomination**

This Condition 3 replaces General Note Condition 3 (*Form and Denomination*) in respect of the South African Notes:

- (a) *Registered Notes*: Each Tranche of South African Notes will be issued in registered form in South African Rand.
- (b) *Uncertificated South African Notes*: Each Tranche of South African Notes which is listed on the Interest Rate Market of the JSE will, subject to applicable laws and Applicable Procedures, be issued in uncertificated form in terms of section 33 of the South African Financial Markets Act.

Uncertificated South African Notes will not be represented by any certificate or written instrument. A Tranche of South African Notes issued in uncertificated form will be held by the CSD (see sub-paragraph (d) below headed "*South African Notes held in the CSD*"), and the CSD's Nominee will be named in the South African Register as the registered holder of those South African Notes.

- (c) *Certificated South African Notes*: South African Notes issued in certificated form will be represented by an Individual Note Certificate in definitive registered form. Each Individual Note Certificate will be registered in the South African Register in the name of the individual holder(s) of the South African Notes represented by that Individual Note Certificate.
- (d) *South African Notes held in the CSD*: The CSD's Nominee will be listed in the South African Register as the registered holder of each Tranche of South African Notes (other than those South African Notes in that Tranche which are represented by Individual Note Certificates). While a Tranche of South African Notes is held in its entirety in the CSD, the CSD's Nominee will be named in the South African Register as the sole Noteholder of that Tranche of South African Notes and, accordingly, all amounts to be paid and all rights to be exercised in respect of the South African Notes in that Tranche will be paid to and may be exercised only by the CSD's Nominee for the holders of Beneficial Interests in that Tranche of South African Notes.

While any South African Notes in a Tranche are held in the CSD, each person shown in the records of the CSD or the relevant CSD Participant, as the case may be, as the holder of a

Beneficial Interest in a particular principal amount of such South African Notes (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the CSD or the relevant CSD Participant, as the case may be, as to the principal amount of such South African Notes standing to the account of such person shall be *prima facie* proof of such Beneficial Interest) shall, be treated by the Issuer, the South African Paying Agent, the South African Transfer Agent and the relevant CSD Participant as the Holder of that principal amount of such South African Notes for all purposes, other than with respect to the payment of all amounts (whether in respect of principal, interest or otherwise) due and payable in respect of such South African Notes, for which latter purpose the CSD's Nominee (as the registered holder of such South African Notes named in the South African Register) shall be treated by the Issuer, the South African Paying Agent, the South African Transfer Agent and the relevant CSD Participant as the holder of such South African Notes in accordance with and subject to the Additional South African Note Conditions.

4. **Title**

This Condition 4 replaces General Note Condition 4 (*Title*) in respect of the South African Notes:

- (a) *Title to certificated South African Notes:* Each Noteholder of South African Notes represented by an Individual Note Certificate will be named in the South African Register as the registered holder of such South African Notes. Subject to applicable laws, title to South African Notes represented by an Individual Note Certificate will be freely transferable and will pass upon registration of transfer in accordance with Condition 7(b) (*Transfer of South African Notes*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions.

The Issuer, the South African Paying Agent and the South African Transfer Agent shall (except as otherwise required by law) recognise the Holder of any South African Note, as the absolute owner of the South African Notes registered in that Holder's name for all purposes (notwithstanding any notice of ownership or writing thereon or notice of any previous loss or theft thereof).

- (b) *Title to Beneficial Interests in uncertificated South African Notes:* Title to Beneficial Interests held by CSD Participants directly through the CSD will pass on transfer thereof by electronic book entry in the central securities accounts maintained by the CSD for such CSD Participants, in accordance with the Applicable Procedures (as contemplated in Condition 7(a) (*Transfers of Beneficial Interests*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions below). Title to Beneficial Interests held by clients of CSD Participants indirectly through such CSD Participants will pass on transfer thereof by electronic book entry in the securities accounts maintained by such CSD Participants for such clients, in accordance with the Applicable Procedures (as contemplated in Condition 7(a) (*Transfers of Beneficial Interests*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions below).

The holder of a Beneficial Interest will only be entitled to exchange such Beneficial Interest for South African Notes represented by an Individual Note Certificate in accordance with Condition 8 (*Exchange of Beneficial Interests for an Individual Note Certificate*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions below.

Each Tranche of South African Notes held by the CSD will be held subject to the South African Financial Markets Act and the Applicable Procedures.

5. **Redemption and Purchase – South African Notes**

This Condition 5 replaces General Note Condition 10 (*Redemption and Purchase*) in respect of South African Notes.

- (a) *Scheduled redemption:* Unless previously redeemed, or purchased and cancelled, the South African Notes will be redeemed at their Final Redemption Amount on the Maturity Date, subject to Condition 6 (*Payments – South African Notes*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions below, in accordance with the Applicable Procedures.

- (b) *Redemption at the option of the Issuer*: If the relevant Final Terms specify "Redemption at the option of the Issuer" to be applicable, all of the South African Notes may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer (such option, the "**Call Option**") on any Optional Redemption Date (Call) by the Issuer giving notice to the Noteholders on or before the Call Option Notice Date corresponding to such Optional Redemption Date (Call) as specified in the relevant Final Terms (which notice shall be irrevocable and shall oblige the Issuer to redeem the South African Notes or, as the case may be, the Notes specified in such Notice on the relevant Optional Redemption Date (Call) by payment of the Optional Redemption Amount (Call) plus accrued interest (if any) to such date, to the extent specified in the Final Terms), and in accordance with the Applicable Procedures.
- (c) *Redemption at the option of Noteholders – South African Notes represented by Individual Note Certificates*: if the "*Put Option*" if the "*Put Option*" is the relevant Final Terms specify "Redemption at the option of Noteholders" to be applicable, the Issuer shall, at the option of the Holder of any South African Note redeem such South African Note on the Optional Redemption Date (Put) specified in the relevant Put Option Notice and the Final Terms at the relevant Optional Redemption Amount (Put) together with interest (if any) accrued to such date, as specified in the Final Terms. In order to exercise the option contained in this Condition 5(c) *Redemption at the option of Noteholders – South African Notes represented by Individual Note Certificates*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions (the "**Put Option**"), the holder of the South African Note shall exercise the Put Option by depositing with the South African Paying Agent such South African Note and a duly completed Put Option Notice in the form obtainable from the South African Paying Agent within the Put Option Notice Period as defined in Condition 2 (*Definitions and Interpretations*) of the General Note Conditions. The South African Paying Agent shall deliver a duly completed Put Option Receipt to the depositing Noteholder. Any such Put Option Notice will be irrevocable and may not be withdrawn and no South African Note, once deposited with a duly completed Put Option Notice in accordance with this Condition 5(c) *Redemption at the option of Noteholders – South African Notes represented by Individual Note Certificates*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions, may be withdrawn; provided, that if, prior to the relevant Optional Redemption Date (Put), any such South African Note becomes immediately due and payable or, upon due presentation of any such South African Note on the relevant Optional Redemption Date (Put), payment of the redemption moneys is improperly withheld or refused, the South African Paying Agent shall mail notification thereof to the depositing Noteholder at such address as may have been given by such Noteholder in the relevant Put Option Notice and shall hold such South African Note at its Specified Office for collection by the depositing Noteholder against surrender of the relevant Put Option Receipt. For so long as any outstanding South African Note is held by the South African Paying Agent in accordance with this Condition, the depositor of such South African Note and not the South African Paying Agent shall be deemed to be the Holder of such South African Note for all purposes.
- (d) *Exercise of Put Option – uncertificated South African Notes*: the holder of an uncertificated South African Note shall exercise the Put Option by delivering the Put Option Notice and the relevant South African Note to the South African Transfer Agent on any Business Day within the Put Option Notice Period specified in Condition 5(c) (*Redemption at the option of Noteholders – South African Notes represented by Individual Note Certificates*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions above specifying the principal amount of the South African Notes in respect of which the Put Option is being exercised. Any such notice will be irrevocable and may not be withdrawn. The Put Option Notice shall not be less than five Business Days (or such other period of time as may be provided by the Applicable Procedures).
- (e) *No other redemption*: The Issuer shall not be entitled to redeem the South African Notes otherwise than as provided in this Condition 5 (*Redemption and Purchase – South African Notes*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions and in General Note Condition 17 (*Change of applicable law*).
- (f) *Redemption of South African Notes*: South African Notes shall be redeemed in accordance with this Condition 5 (*Redemption and Purchase – South African Notes*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions and with the Applicable Procedures.

- (g) *Purchase*: The Issuer, the Guarantor or any of their respective Subsidiaries may at any time purchase South African Notes in the open market or otherwise and at any price. Any South African Notes so purchased may be held, surrendered for cancellation or reissued or resold, and South African Notes so reissued or resold shall for all purposes be deemed to form part of the original Series of South African Notes.

**6. Payments – South African Notes**

This Condition 6 replaces General Note Condition 11 (*Payments – Registered Notes*) in respect of the South African Notes:

- (a) *General*: Only Noteholders of South African Notes named in the South African Register at 17h00 (Johannesburg time) on the relevant Last Day to Register shall be entitled to payments of amounts (whether in respect of principal, interest or otherwise) due and payable in respect of the South African Notes.

Any payments of all amounts (whether in respect of principal, interest or otherwise) due and payable in respect of any South African Notes shall be made by the South African Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, on the terms and conditions of the South African Agency Agreement and this Condition 6 (*Payments – South African Notes*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions. The Issuer shall not be responsible for the loss in transmission of any funds paid by the South African Paying Agent to the Noteholders of listed South African Notes. Any amount paid by the Issuer to the South African Paying Agent (into such separate bank account of the Issuer held with the South African Paying Agent for the South African Notes as is agreed in writing between the Issuer and the South African Paying Agent from time to time) in accordance with the South African Agency Agreement, shall be satisfaction *pro tanto*, to the extent of such amount, of the Issuer's obligations to the Noteholders under the South African Notes, the Conditions and the South African Agency Agreement.

Payments will be subject in all cases to any fiscal or other laws and regulations applicable thereto in South Africa. Any reference in the Conditions to any amounts in respect of any South African Notes shall be deemed also to refer to any additional amounts which may be payable thereunder.

- (b) *Method of payment*: The South African Paying Agent will, on behalf of the Issuer, pay all amounts (whether in respect of principal, interest or otherwise) due and payable in respect of any South African Notes:
- (i) in the case of South African Notes issued in uncertificated form, in immediately available and freely transferable funds, in ZAR by electronic funds transfer to the bank account of the CSD's Nominee, as the registered holder of such South African Notes, which in turn will transfer such funds, via the CSD Participants, to the holders of Beneficial Interests in such South African Notes;
  - (ii) in the case of South African Notes represented by an Individual Note Certificate, in immediately available and freely transferable funds, in ZAR by electronic funds transfer, to the bank account of the South African Paying Agent whereafter the South African Paying Agent will transfer the funds to the bank account of the person named as the registered holder of such South African Notes in the South African Register or, in the case of joint registered Noteholders, the bank account of the first one of them named in the South African Register in respect of such South African Notes.
- (c) *Beneficial Interests*: Following payment to the CSD's Nominee of amounts due and payable in respect of South African Notes issued in uncertificated form pursuant to Condition 6(b)(i) (*Method of Payment*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions above, the relevant funds will be transferred by the CSD's Nominee, via the CSD Participants, to the holders of Beneficial Interests in such South African Notes.

Each of the persons reflected in the records of the CSD or the relevant CSD Participant, as the case may be, as the holders of Beneficial Interests in South African Notes, will look solely to the CSD or the relevant CSD Participant, as the case may be, for such person's share of each

payment so made by the South African Paying Agent, on behalf of the Issuer, to or for the order of the CSD's Nominee, as the registered holder of such South African Notes.

Neither the South African Paying Agent nor the Issuer will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to, or payments made on account of, Beneficial Interests or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to Beneficial Interests.

Payments of amounts due and payable in respect of Beneficial Interests in South African Notes will be recorded by the CSD's Nominee, as the registered holder of such South African Notes, distinguishing between interest, principal and any other amount, and such record of payments by the CSD's Nominee, as the registered holder of such South African Notes, will be *prima facie* proof of such payments.

- (d) *Payment Date*: If the date for payment (following adjustment, if applicable in accordance with the applicable Business Day Convention) of any amount due and payable in respect of a Tranche of South African Notes is not a Business Day, then such date for payment shall be the following Business Day, and the holders of such South African Notes will not be entitled to further interest or other payments in respect of any such delay.
- (e) *Cancellation of South African Notes*: No payment of any amount due and payable in respect of any such South African Notes which are to be redeemed pursuant to the Conditions shall be made unless, on or before the date for redemption, the South African Transfer Agent has received written notice at its Specified Offices from the Issuer for the redemption and cancellation of such South African Notes.
- (f) *Surrender of Individual Note Certificates*: No payment of any amount due and payable in respect of any South African Notes represented by an Individual Note Certificate(s) (if any) which are to be redeemed pursuant to the Conditions shall be made unless, on or before the date for redemption, the Individual Note Certificate(s) representing such South African Notes (if any) have been surrendered for cancellation at the Specified Office of the South African Transfer Agent.

If Individual Note Certificate(s) representing any South African Notes which are to be redeemed pursuant to the Conditions is/are not surrendered for cancellation on or before the date for redemption, as set out in the immediately preceding paragraph above, interest (if any) on such South African Notes will cease to accrue to the holder of such South African Notes from the date for redemption.

All documents and Individual Note Certificates which are required to be presented and/or surrendered to the South African Transfer Agent in accordance with the Conditions must be so presented and/or surrendered at the Specified Office of the South African Transfer Agent.

## 7. **Transfer of South African Notes**

This Condition 7 replaces General Note Condition 5 (*Transfer of Registered Notes*) in respect of the South African Notes other than General Note Condition 5(f) (*Minimum Trading Number*) (except that references therein to General Note Condition 20 (*Notice*) will be construed as Condition 11 (*Notices*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions).

- (a) *Transfer of Beneficial Interests*: Transfers of Beneficial Interests to and from clients of CSD Participants occur by way of electronic book entry in the securities accounts maintained by the CSD Participants for their clients, in accordance with the Applicable Procedures. Transfers of Beneficial Interests among CSD Participants occur through electronic book entry in the central securities accounts maintained by the CSD for the CSD Participants, in accordance with the Applicable Procedures. Transfers of Beneficial Interests in South African Notes will not be recorded in the South African Register, and the CSD's Nominee will continue to be reflected in the South African Register as the registered holder of such South African Notes notwithstanding such transfers.
- (b) *Transfer of South African Notes represented by Individual Note Certificates*: In order for any transfer of South African Notes represented by an Individual Note Certificate to be recorded in the South African Register, and for such transfer to be recognised by the Issuer:

- (i) the transfer of such South African Notes must be embodied in a Transfer Form;
- (ii) the Transfer Form must be signed by the registered Holder of such South African Notes and the transferee, or any duly authorised representative of that registered Holder or transferee;
- (iii) the Transfer Form must be delivered to the South African Transfer Agent as its Specified Office together with the Individual Note Certificate representing the South African Notes that are to be cancelled; and
- (iv) South African Notes represented by an Individual Note Certificate may only be transferred, in whole or in part, in amounts of not less than the specified denomination (or any multiple thereof) required by the CSD.

Subject to this Condition 7(b) (*Transfer of South African Notes represented by Individual Note Certificate*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions, the South African Transfer Agent will, within 3 (three) Business Days of receipt by it of a duly completed and signed Transfer Form (or such longer period as may be required to comply with any applicable laws and/or Applicable Procedures), record the transfer of South African Notes represented by an Individual Note Certificate (or the relevant portion of such South African Note) in the South African Register, and authenticate and deliver to the transferee at the South African Transfer Agent's Specified Office or, at the risk of the transferee, send by mail to such address as the transferee may request, a new Individual Note Certificate in respect of the South African Notes transferred reflecting the outstanding principal amount of the South African Notes transferred.

Where a Holder has transferred a portion only of South African Notes represented by an Individual Note Certificate, the South African Transfer Agent will authenticate and deliver to such Holder at the South African Transfer Agent's Specified Office or, at the risk of such Holder, send by mail to such address as such Holder may request, a new Individual Note Certificate representing the balance of the South African Notes held by such Holder.

The transferor of any South African Notes represented by an Individual Note Certificate will be deemed to remain the owner thereof until the transferee is registered in the South African Register as the Holder thereof.

Before any transfer of South African Notes represented by an Individual Note Certificate is registered in the South African Register, all relevant transfer taxes (if any) must have been paid by the transferor and/or the transferee and such evidence must be furnished as the Issuer and the South African Transfer Agent may reasonably require as to the identity and title of the transferor and the transferee.

No transfer of any South African Notes represented by an Individual Note Certificate will be registered whilst the South African Register is closed as contemplated in Condition 9 (*South African Register*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions.

If a transfer of any South African Notes represented by an Individual Note Certificate is registered in the South African Register, the Transfer Form and cancelled Individual Note Certificate will be retained by the South African Transfer Agent.

#### 8. **Exchange of Beneficial Interests for an Individual Note Certificate**

The Holder of a Beneficial Interest in a South African Note may, subject to section 42 of the South African Financial Markets Act, by written notice to the CSD Participant (or, if such holder is a CSD Participant, the CSD), request that such Beneficial Interest be exchanged for South African Notes in definitive form represented by an Individual Note Certificate (the "**Exchange Notice**"). The Exchange Notice shall specify the name, address and bank account details of the holder of the Beneficial Interest.

The CSD Participant shall, within 5 (five) Business Days of receipt of the Exchange Notice, through the CSD, notify the South African Transfer Agent that it is required to exchange such

Beneficial Interest for South African Notes represented by an Individual Note Certificate. The South African Transfer Agent will, as soon as is practicable but within 10 (ten) Business Days (or 20 (twenty) Business Days in the case of a Holder of South African Notes who is not resident in South Africa) of receipt of such notice from the CSD, procure that an Individual Note Certificate is prepared, authenticated and made available for delivery, on a Business Day falling within the aforementioned 10 (ten) Business Day period (or 20 (twenty) Business Day period, as the case may be) (the "**Exchange Date**"), to the CSD Participant at the Specified Office of the South African Transfer Agent.

The South African Transfer Agent will, subject to this Condition 8, prepare and authenticate the Individual Note Certificate, and make the Individual Note Certificate available for delivery to the CSD Participant at the South African Transfer Agent's Specified Office.

An Individual Note Certificate issued pursuant to this Condition 8 shall, in relation to a Beneficial Interest in any number of South African Notes issued in uncertificated form of a particular principal amount standing to the account of the holder thereof, represent that number of South African Notes of that principal amount, and shall otherwise be in such form as may be agreed between the Issuer and the South African Transfer Agent; provided that if such principal amount is equivalent to a fraction of ZAR 1,000,000 or a fraction of any multiple thereof, such Individual Note Certificate shall be issued in accordance with, and be governed by, the Applicable Procedures.

#### 9. **South African Register**

The South African Register will be kept at the Specified Office of the South African Transfer Agent. The South African Register will, in relation to a Tranche of South African Notes, contain the name, address and bank account details of each Noteholder in that Tranche. The CSD's Nominee will be listed in the South African Register as the registered holder of each Tranche of South African Notes (other than those South African Notes in that Tranche which are represented by Individual Note Certificates) which is listed on the Interest Rate Market of the JSE. The South African Register will set out the principal amount of the South African Notes in that Tranche issued to the Noteholder or the principal amount of the South African Notes in that Tranche transferred to the Noteholder, as the case may be, the Issue Date, the date of transfer of such South African Notes (if applicable) and the date upon which the Noteholder became registered as such. The South African Register will show the serial numbers of the Individual Note Certificates issued and the reference numbers of South African Notes issued in uncertificated form. The South African Register will be open for inspection during the normal business hours of the South African Transfer Agent to the Issuer (or any person authorised by the Issuer) and any Noteholder (or any person of proven identity authorised in writing by any Noteholder).

None of the Issuer, the South African Paying Agent and the South African Transfer Agent will be bound to enter any trust into the South African Register or to take any notice of or to accede to the execution of any trust (express, implied or constructive) to which any South African Note may be subject.

The South African Register will, in relation to a Tranche of South African Notes, be closed during the 10 (ten) days (or such other period as may be specified in the Final Terms) preceding each Interest Payment Date and the date for redemption from 17h00 (Johannesburg time) on the Last Day to Register until 17h00 (Johannesburg time) on the day preceding the Interest Payment Date (where applicable) and the date for redemption. All periods referred to for the closure of the South African Register may, subject to the Applicable Procedures, be shortened by the Issuer from time to time, upon notice thereof to the Noteholders (in the manner set out in Condition 11(a) (*Notice to Noteholders*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions below).

The South African Transfer Agent will amend the South African Register in respect of any change of name, address or bank account number of any of the Noteholders of which it is notified; provided that the South African Register will only be amended to reflect a transfer of South African Notes if such transfer is carried out in accordance with Condition 7 (*Transfer of South African Notes*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions above.

**10. Modification and Meetings of Noteholders**

This Condition 10 replaces General Note Condition 15 (*Modification and Waiver, Meetings of Noteholders*) and the provisions of the Agency Agreement (as defined in the Base Prospectus) in respect of South African Notes.

- (a) *Modification:* No addition, variation or consensual cancellation of these Additional South African Note Conditions shall be of any force and effect unless the JSE has been notified and the amendments have been approved in writing and signed by or on behalf of the Issuer and the Noteholders.

The Issuer may effect, without the consent of the Noteholders, any modification of the Additional South African Note Conditions which is (i) of a formal, minor or technical nature or (ii) which is made to correct a manifest error or proven error or omission, provided that the JSE shall be immediately notified of such modification. Any such modification shall be binding on the Noteholders and any such modification shall be communicated to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 11(a) (*Notices*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions below.

The Issuer may also with the prior sanction of a Resolution or Written Resolution of the Noteholders, amend these Additional South African Note Conditions, provided that no such amendment shall be of any force or effect unless notice of the intention to make such amendment shall have been given to all Noteholders in terms of Condition 11(a) (*Notices*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions below and provided that the JSE shall be immediately notified of such amendment.

Any modification of these Additional South African Note Conditions which may have a direct effect on compliance with the debt listings requirements of the JSE will require the approval of the JSE.

- (b) *Meeting of Noteholders:* The terms below set out the provisions for convening meetings of Noteholders to consider matters relating to the South African Notes, including modification of any provision of the Additional South African Note Conditions relating to a Series of South African Notes with the consent of the Issuer.
- (c) *Issue of forms of proxy:* The holder of a South African Note may obtain an uncompleted and unexecuted Form of Proxy from the South African Transfer Agent.
- (d) *References to deposit/release of South African Notes:* References to the deposit, or release, of South African Notes shall be construed in accordance with the Applicable Procedures.
- (e) *Validity of forms of proxy:* A Form of Proxy shall be valid only if it is deposited at the Specified Office of the South African Transfer Agent, or at some other place approved by the South African Transfer Agent, at least 48 hours before the time fixed for the relevant Meeting or the Chairman decides otherwise before the Meeting proceeds to business.
- (f) *Record Date:* The Issuer may fix a record date for the purposes of any Meeting of holders of South African Notes or any resumption thereof following its adjournment for want of a quorum provided that such record date is not more than 10 days prior to the time fixed for such Meeting or (as the case may be) its resumption. The person in whose name a South African Note is registered in the South African Register on the record date at the close of business in the city in which the South African Transfer Agent has its Specified Officer shall be deemed to be the Noteholder of such South African Note for the purposes of such Meeting and notwithstanding any subsequent transfer of such South African Note or entries in the South African Register.
- (g) *Convening of meetings:* The Issuer and the Guarantor (acting together) may convene a Meeting at any time, and shall be obliged to do so upon the request in writing of Noteholders holding not less than one tenth in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding South African Notes.



- (h) *Notices:* At least 21 days' notice (exclusive of the day on which the notice is given and of the day on which the relevant Meeting is to be held) specifying the date, time and place of the Meeting shall be given to the holders of outstanding South African Notes of the Applicable Series and the South African Transfer Agent (with a copy to the Issuer and the Guarantor). The notice shall set out the full text of any resolutions to be proposed and shall state that the South African Notes may be deposited with, or to the order of, the South African Transfer Agent, for the purposes of appointing Proxies not later than 48 hours before the time fixed for the Meeting.
- (i) *Chairperson:* An individual (who may, but need not, be a Noteholder) nominated in writing by the Issuer and the Guarantor (acting together) may take the chair at any Meeting but, if no such nomination is made or if the individual nominated is not present within 15 minutes after the time fixed for the Meeting, those present shall elect one of themselves to take the chair failing which, the Issuer may appoint a Chairperson. The Chairperson of an adjourned Meeting need not be the same person as was the Chairperson of the original Meeting.
- (j) *Quorum:* The quorum at any Meeting shall be at least two Voters representing or holding not less than the Relevant Fraction of the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding South African Notes; provided; however, that, so long as at least the Relevant Fraction of the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding South African Notes is issued in uncertificated form, a single Proxy representing the Noteholder thereof shall be deemed to be two Voters for the purpose of forming a quorum.
- (k) *Adjournment for want of a quorum:* If within 15 minutes after the time fixed for any Meeting a quorum is not present, then:
  - (i) in the case of a Meeting requested by Noteholders, it shall be dissolved; or
  - (ii) in the case of any other Meeting, it shall be adjourned for such period (which shall be not less than 14 days and not more than 42 days) and to such time and place as the Chairperson determines; provided, however, that:
    - (A) the Meeting shall be dissolved if the Issuer and the Guarantor (acting together) so decides; and
    - (B) no Meeting may be adjourned more than once for want of a quorum.
- (l) *Adjourned meeting:* The Chairperson may, with the consent of (and shall if directed by) any Noteholders, adjourn such Meeting from time to time and from place to place, but no business shall be transacted at any adjourned Meeting except business which might lawfully have been transacted at the Meeting from which the adjournment took place.
- (m) *Notice following adjournment:* Condition 10(f) (*Notice*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions above shall apply to any Meeting which is to be resumed after adjournment for want of a quorum save that:
  - (i) 10 days' notice (exclusive of the day on which the notice is given and of the day on which the Meeting is to be resumed) shall be sufficient; and
  - (ii) the notice shall specifically set out the quorum requirements which will apply when the Meeting resumes.

It shall not be necessary to give notice of the resumption of a Meeting which has been adjourned for any other reason.
- (n) *Participation:* The following may attend and speak at a Meeting:
  - (i) Voters;
  - (ii) representatives of the Issuer, the Guarantor and the South African Transfer Agent;
  - (iii) the financial advisers of the Issuer and the Guarantor;

- (iv) the legal counsel to the Issuer, the Guarantor and the South African Transfer Agent;
- (v) any other person approved by the Meeting.
- (o) *Show of hands*: Every question submitted to a Meeting shall be decided in the first instance by a show of hands. Unless a poll is validly demanded before or at the time that the result is declared, the Chairperson's declaration that on a show of hands a resolution has been passed, passed by a particular majority, rejected or rejected by a particular majority shall be conclusive, without proof of the number of votes cast for, or against, the resolution. Where there is only one Voter, this paragraph shall not apply and the resolution will immediately be decided by means of a poll.
- (p) *Poll*: A demand for a poll shall be valid if it is made by the Chairperson, the Issuer, the Guarantor or one or more Voters representing or holding not less than one fiftieth of the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding South African Notes. The poll may be taken immediately or after such adjournment as the Chairperson directs, but any poll demanded on the election of the Chairperson or on any question of adjournment shall be taken at the Meeting without adjournment. A valid demand for a poll shall not prevent the continuation of the relevant Meeting for any other business as the Chairperson directs.
- (q) *Votes*: Every Voter shall have:
  - (i) on a show of hands, one vote; and
  - (ii) on a poll, the number of votes obtained by dividing the aggregate principal amount of the outstanding South African Note(s) represented or held by him by the unit of South African Rand.

In the case of a voting tie, the Chairperson shall have a casting vote.

- (r) *Validity of proxies*: Any vote by a Proxy in accordance with the Form of Proxy shall be valid even if such Form of Proxy or any instruction pursuant to which it was given has been amended or revoked, provided that the South African Transfer Agent or the Issuer at its Specified Office has not been notified in writing of such amendment or revocation by the time which is 24 hours before the time fixed for the relevant Meeting. Unless revoked, any appointment of a Proxy under a form of proxy in relation to a Meeting shall remain in force in relation to any resumption of such Meeting following an adjournment; provided, however, that no such appointment of a Proxy in relation to a Meeting originally convened which has been adjourned for want of a quorum shall remain in force in relation to such Meeting when it is resumed. Any person appointed to vote at such a Meeting must be re-appointed under the Form of Proxy to vote at the Meeting when it is resumed.
- (s) *Powers*: A Meeting shall have power (exercisable by Resolution), without prejudice to any other powers conferred on it or any other person:
  - (i) to approve any changes to a particular issuance of South African Notes with the consent of the Issuer;
  - (ii) to waive any breach or authorise any proposed breach by the Issuer of its obligations under or in respect of the South African Notes or any proposed breach by the Guarantor of its obligations under the Guaranty or any act or omission which might otherwise constitute an Event of Default under the Notes.
- (t) *Resolution binds all holders*: A Resolution shall be binding upon all Noteholders in respect of the South African Notes whether or not present at such Meeting and whether or not voting, and each of the Noteholders shall be bound to give effect to it accordingly. Notice of the result of every vote on a Resolution shall be given to the Noteholders and the South African Paying Agent (with a copy to the Issuer and the Guarantor) within 14 days of the conclusion of the Meeting in accordance with Condition 11 (*Notices*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions. Non-publication shall not invalidate any such Resolution.

- (u) *Minutes*: Minutes shall be made of all resolutions and proceedings at each Meeting. The Chairperson shall sign the minutes, which shall be *prima facie* evidence of the proceedings recorded therein. Unless and until the contrary is proved, every such Meeting in respect of which minutes have been summarised and signed shall be deemed to have been duly convened and held and all resolutions passed there at, or proceedings held, to have been duly passed and held.
- (v) *Written resolution and written consent*: A Written Resolution shall take effect as if it were a Resolution.

For the purposes of the above Condition 10 (*Meeting of Noteholders*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions, the following expressions have the following meanings:

**"Applicable Series"** means the Series of South African Notes to which the proposed amendments are relevant;

**"Chairperson"** means, in relation to any Meeting, the individual who takes the chair in accordance with Condition 10(g) (*Chairperson*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions above;

**"Form of Proxy"** means, in relation to any Meeting, a document in the English language available from the South African Transfer Agent signed by a holder of South African Notes, or in the case of a corporation, executed under its seal or signed on its behalf by a duly authorised officer and delivered to the South African Transfer Agent not later than 48 hours before the time fixed for such Meeting, appointing a named individual or individuals to vote in respect of the South African Notes held by that Noteholder;

**"Meeting"** means a meeting of Noteholders (whether originally convened or resumed following an adjournment);

**"Proxy"** means, in relation to any Meeting, a person appointed to vote under a Form of Proxy by a holder of a South African Note, other than:

- (i) any such person whose appointment has been revoked and in relation to whom the South African Transfer Agent has been notified in writing of such revocation by the time which is 48 hours before the time fixed for such Meeting; and
- (ii) any such person appointed to vote at a Meeting which has been adjourned for want of a quorum and who has not been re-appointed to vote at the Meeting when it is resumed;

**"Relevant Fraction"** means, for all business, one more than half; provided, however, that in the case of a Meeting which has been resumed after adjournment for want of a quorum it means, for voting on all business, one quarter;

**"Resolution"** means a resolution passed at a Meeting duly convened and held in accordance with this Condition 10 (*Meeting of Noteholders*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions by a majority of not less than 66.67 per cent. of the votes cast by holders of outstanding South African Notes of the Applicable Series who are eligible to participate at the relevant Meeting;

**"Voter"** means in relation to any Meeting: the bearer of a Form of Proxy, the bearer of an Individual Note Certificate who produces such Individual Note Certificate or subject to Condition 10(d) (*Record Date*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions above), a holder of a South African Note, in each case in relation to the Applicable Series of Notes, provided however that (subject to Condition 10(d) (*Record Date*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions above), any holder of South African Notes which has appointed a Proxy under a Form of Proxy shall not be a **"Voter"** except to the extent such appointment has been revoked and the South African Transfer Agent has been notified in writing of such revocation at least 48 hours before the time fixed for such Meeting;

**"Written Resolution"** means a resolution in writing signed by or on behalf of a majority of not less than 66.67 per cent. of the holders of South African Notes who for the time being are

entitled to receive notice of a Meeting in accordance with the provisions of this Condition 10 (*Meeting of Noteholders*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions, whether contained in one document or several documents in the same form, each signed by or on behalf of one or more such holders of South African Notes;

"**24 hours**" means a period of 24 hours including all or part of a day on which banks are open for business in Johannesburg and London and such period shall be extended by one period or, to the extent necessary, more periods of 24 hours until there is included as aforesaid all or part of a day upon which banks are open for business as aforesaid;

"**48 hours**" means 2 consecutive periods of 24 hours.

## 11. Notices

- (a) *Notice to Noteholders*: This Condition 11 (*Notices*) replaces General Note Condition 20 (*Notices*) in respect of South African Notes.

All notices to the Noteholders shall be in writing and shall:

- (i) be sent by registered mail to the respective postal addresses of Noteholders appearing in the South African Register or delivered by hand to the respective addresses of Noteholders appearing in the South African Register; and
- (ii) in the case of Individual Note Certificates, be published in a leading English language daily newspaper of general circulation in South Africa; and
- (iii) for so long as South African Notes are listed on the Interest Rate Market of the JSE, be published in a daily newspaper of general circulation in Johannesburg or on any electronic news service of general distribution.

A notice given to Noteholders in terms of Condition 11(a)(i) (*Notices*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions above shall be deemed to have been received by the Noteholders on the date on which that notice is first published in the daily newspaper contemplated in Condition 11(a)(iii) (*Notices*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions above.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Condition 11(a)(i) (*Notices*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions above, (A) for so long as all of the South African Notes in a Tranche of South African Notes are held in their entirety in the CSD and (B) in the case of a Tranche of South African Notes issued in uncertificated form, there may be substituted for the notice contemplated in Condition 11(a)(i) (*Notices*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions above, the delivery by hand of the relevant notice to the CSD's Nominee (as the registered holder of such South African Notes) and the JSE, for communication by them to the holders of Beneficial Interests in such South African Notes in accordance with the Applicable Procedures. Each such notice will be deemed to have been received by the holders of Beneficial Interests and the CSD's Nominee on the day of such delivery by hand.

Where any provision of the Conditions requires notice to be given to the Noteholders of any matter other than a meeting of Noteholders, such notice will be given *mutatis mutandis* as set out in this Condition 11(a) (*Notices*) of the Additional South African Note Conditions, subject to compliance with any other time periods prescribed in the provision concerned.

- (b) *Notice by Noteholders*: All notices to be given by a Noteholder represented by an Individual Note Certificate to the Issuer or the South African Transfer Agent, as the case may be, shall be in writing and given by delivering the notice, by hand or by registered post, together with a certified copy of that Individual Note Certificate, to the Specified Office of the Issuer or the Specified Office of the South African Transfer Agent, as the case may be. Each such notice shall be deemed to have been received on the date of delivery (if such notice is delivered by hand) or the tenth Business Day after the date on which such notice is sent by registered mail (if such notice is sent by registered mail).

All notices to be given by any holder of a Beneficial Interest to the Issuer or the South African Transfer Agent, as the case may be, shall be given by such holder through such holder's CSD Participant in accordance with the Applicable Procedures.

**12. Costs**

The costs and expenses of the printing, issue and delivery of each Individual Note Certificate pursuant to Condition 8 (*Exchange of Beneficial Interest for an Individual Note Certificate*) above and all taxes or governmental charges that may be imposed in relation to such Individual Note Certificate shall be borne by the holder of the South African Notes represented by that Individual Note Certificate.

Separate costs and expenses relating to the provision of Individual Note Certificates and/or the transfer of South African Notes represented by Individual Note Certificates may be levied by other persons, such as CSD Participants, under the Applicable Procedures, and such costs and expenses shall not be borne by the Issuer.

**13. Governing Law and Jurisdiction**

General Note Conditions 26 (*Governing Law*) and 27 (*Jurisdiction*) shall apply in respect of South African Notes.

**FORM OF FINAL TERMS (INSTRUMENTS)**

ISIN: [●]

Common Code: [●]

[Valoren: [●]]

[WKN: [●]]

[[insert other security identification number]]

[PIPG Tranche Number: [●]]

Final Terms dated [●]

**[GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL /GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. WERTPAPIER  
GMBH]**

**Programme for the issuance  
of Warrants, Notes and Certificates**

**Issue of [Aggregate Number/Aggregate Nominal Amount of [Warrants/Certificates] in Tranche]  
[Title of Warrants/Certificates], due [Settlement Date] (the "[Warrants/Certificates]" or the  
"Securities")**

**Guaranteed by The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.**

**CONTRACTUAL TERMS**

Terms used herein shall have the same meaning as in the General Instrument Conditions, the Instrument Payout Conditions and the applicable Underlying Asset Conditions set forth in the base prospectus dated 24 June 2013 (the "**Base Prospectus**") [and the supplement[s] to the Base Prospectus dated [●], [●] and [●]] which [together] constitute[s] a base prospectus for the purposes of Directive 2003/71/EC (as amended by Directive 2010/73/EU, the "**Prospectus Directive**"). This document constitutes the Final Terms of the [Warrants/Certificates] described herein for the purposes of Article 5.4 of the Prospectus Directive and must be read in conjunction with such Base Prospectus [as so supplemented]. Full information on the Issuer, the Guarantor and the offer of the [Warrants/Certificates] is only available on the basis of the combination of these Final Terms and the Base Prospectus [as so supplemented]. The Base Prospectus [and the supplement[s] to the Base Prospectus] [is] [are] available for viewing at [www.bourse.lu](http://www.bourse.lu) and during normal business hours at the registered office of the Issuer, and copies may be obtained from the specified office of the Programme Agent in Luxembourg. [These Final Terms are available for viewing at [www.bourse.lu](http://www.bourse.lu)] [*Include where the Securities are to be admitted to trading on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange*] / [●] [*insert other website if the Securities will not be admitted to trading on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and the Final Terms will be published elsewhere*].]

A summary of the [Warrants/Certificates] (which comprises the summary in the Base Prospectus as amended to reflect the provisions of these Final Terms) is attached to these Final Terms.

[Specify whether each of the items below is applicable or not applicable. Italics denote guidance for completing final terms.]

1. **Tranche Number:** [[●]/Not Applicable].

*(If fungible with an existing Series,  
include the date on which the Instruments  
become fungible)*

2. **Settlement Currency(ies):** [●].

3. **[Aggregate number of Warrants/Certificates] / Aggregate Nominal Amount of Certificates in the Series]:**
- (i) Series: [●]. (*specify aggregate number or nominal amount*)
  - (ii) Tranche: [●]. (*specify aggregate number or nominal amount*)
  - (iii) Trading in Nominal: [Applicable/Not Applicable].
4. **Issue Price:** [[Up to] [●] per [Warrant/Certificate] / [●] per cent. of the Aggregate Nominal Amount].
5. **Issue Date:** [●].
6. **Maturity Date:** Scheduled Maturity Date is [*insert date*]. [Maturity Date – Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)/Maturity Date – Index Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)/Maturity Date – Commodity Linked Condition 9 (*General Definitions*)] is applicable].
- (i) Strike Date: [[●]/Not Applicable].
  - (ii) Relevant Determination Date (General Instrument Condition 2(a)): [Adjusted Final FX Valuation Date/Latest Reference Date in respect of the Valuation Date/Valuation Date/Latest Reference Date in respect of the Last Averaging Date/Last Averaging Date/Latest Reference Date in respect of the Pricing Date/Pricing Date/Latest Reference Date in respect of the Last Averaging Date/Last Averaging Date/[●] (*specify other date*)/Not Applicable].
  - (iii) Scheduled Determination Date: [[●]/Not Applicable].
  - (iv) Maturity Date Specific Adjustment: [Applicable/Not Applicable]. (*If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraph of this paragraph*)
    - Specified Day(s) for the purposes of "Maturity Date Specific Adjustment": [●] Business Day[s].
  - (v) Business Day Adjustment: [Applicable/Not Applicable]. (*If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraph of this paragraph*)
  - (vi) Maturity Date Business Day Convention: [Following Business Day Convention/Modified Following Business Day Convention/Modified Business Day Convention/Nearest/Preceding Business Day Convention/FRN Convention/Floating Rate Convention/Eurodollar Convention/No Adjustment].
7. **Underlying Asset(s):** [The Share[s] (as defined below) / Exchange Traded Fund[s] (as defined below) / Index[ices] (as defined below) / [*Specify relevant futures contract*], being the [futures/options] contract relating to the Index, with the expiration month of [●] (*Specify*) (the "**Index-Linked Derivatives Contract**") / Commodity[y/ies] (as defined

below) / Commodity Index(ices) (as defined below) / Inflation Inde[x/ices] (as defined below) / FX Rate[s] (as defined below) / A Multi-Asset Basket composed of the Share[s] and the Ind[ex/ices] ([each] as defined below)) (further particulars specified below).

## VALUATION PROVISIONS

8. **Valuation / Pricing Date(s):** ☐/Not Applicable].
9. **Initial Valuation / Pricing Date:** ☐/Not Applicable].
10. **Averaging (Instrument Payout Condition 2):** ☐Applicable/Not Applicable]. *(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*
- (i) Averaging Dates: ☐/Not Applicable].
- (ii) Initial Averaging Date(s): ☐/Not Applicable].
- (iii) Last Averaging Date: ☐/Not Applicable].
- (iv) Last Initial Averaging Date: ☐/Not Applicable].
11. **Latest Reference Date:** ☐Applicable/Not Applicable].

## INTEREST PROVISIONS

12. **Certificate Interest Conditions (General Instrument Condition 11):** ☐Applicable/Not Applicable] *(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*
- (i) Notional Amount per Certificate: ☐ per Certificate
- (ii) Interest Rate: ☐ per cent. per annum.
- (iii) Day Count Fraction: ☐Actual/Actual (ICMA)] ☐Actual/Actual (ISDA)] ☐Actual/365] ☐Actual/365 (Fixed)] ☐Actual/360] ☐30/360] ☐30E/360] [Eurobond Basis].
- (iv) Interest Commencement Date: ☐Issue Date/☐ (specify date)/Not Applicable].
- (v) Interest Payment Date: ☐.
- (vi) Business Day Convention: ☐Floating Rate Convention/Following Business Day Convention/Modified Following Business Day Convention/Nearest/Preceding Business Day Convention/No Adjustment].
- (vii) Record Date: ☐Specified Day(s) for the purposes of General Instrument Condition 11([g/h]) is ☐ [Business Day[s]/Clearing System Business Day[s]]/Not Applicable].

## SETTLEMENT PROVISIONS

13. **Settlement:** ☐Cash Settlement/Physical Settlement/Cash Settlement and/or Physical Settlement] is applicable.
14. **Automatic Early Exercise (General** ☐Applicable/Not Applicable]. *(If Not Applicable, delete*



**Instrument Condition 13):** *the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*

- (i) Applicable Date(s): [●].
- (ii) Automatic Early Exercise Barrier: [●].
- (iii) Automatic Early Exercise Date: [●].
- (iv) Automatic Early Exercise Amount: [●].

#### SETTLEMENT AMOUNT AND INSTRUMENT PAYOUT CONDITIONS

15. **Participation Certificate (Instrument Payout Condition 1(a)):** [Not Applicable / Applicable]. *(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*
- (i) Capped Participation: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
  - (ii) Uncapped Participation: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
  - (iii) Nominal Amount (N): [●].
  - (iv) Floor: [[●] / Expected to be [●] [but shall not be [more than [●]] [and] [less than [●]]]].
  - (v) Cap: [[●] / Expected to be [●] [but shall not be [more than [●]] [and] [less than [●]]] / Not Applicable].
  - (vi) Participation (P): [[●] / Expected to be [●] [but shall not be [more than [●]] [and] [less than [●]]]].
  - (vii) Perf: [Underlying Performance / Basket Performance / Minimum Performance].
  - (viii) Strike: [●].
  - (ix) Asset Basket: [Share Basket / Index Basket / Multi-Asset Basket].
  - (x) Asset: [The Share / The Index / Each Share in a Share Basket / Each Index in an Index Basket / Each Share and each Index in a Multi-Asset Basket].
  - (xi) Reference Price (Initial): [Initial Closing Price / Initial Price / Initial Average Price].
  - (xii) Reference Price (Final): [Final Closing Price / Final Average Price].
  - (xiii) Weighting: [[●]/In respect of each Asset set forth in the Asset Table in the column entitled "Asset", the amount set forth in the column entitled "Weighting" in the row corresponding to such Asset].
  - (xiv) Asset FX: [Non-Inverse Return / Inverse Return].
  - (xv) Publication Fixing Day Adjustment: [Applicable / Not Applicable].

- (xvi) Trade Date: [[●] / Not Applicable].
16. **Participation FX Certificate (Instrument Payout Condition 1(b)):** [Not Applicable / Applicable]. *(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*
- (i) Capped Participation: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (ii) Uncapped Participation: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (iii) Nominal Amount (N): [●].
- (iv) Floor: [[●] / Expected to be [●] [but shall not be [more than [●]] [and] [less than [●]]].
- (v) Cap: [[●] / Expected to be [●] [but shall not be [more than [●]] [and] [less than [●]]] / Not Applicable].
- (vi) Participation (P): [[●] / Expected to be [●] [but shall not be [more than [●]] [and] [less than [●]]].
- (vii) Perf: [Underlying Performance / Basket Performance / Minimum Performance].
- (viii) Strike: [●].
- (ix) Asset Basket: [Share Basket / Index Basket / Multi-Asset Basket].
- (x) Asset: [Each Share in a Share Basket / Each Index in an Index Basket / Each Share and each Index in a Multi-Asset Basket].
- (xi) Reference Price (Initial): [Initial Closing Price / Initial Price / Initial Average Price].
- (xii) Reference Price (Final): [Final Closing Price / Final Average Price].
- (xiii) Weighting: [[●]/In respect of each Asset set forth in the Asset Table in the column entitled "Asset", the amount set forth in the column entitled "Weighting" in the row corresponding to such Asset].
- (xiv) FXR: [Non-Inverse Return / Inverse Return].
- (xv) FX (Initial): [Not Applicable / Applicable [, being [●]].
- (xvi) Specified Days for "Adjusted Initial FX Valuation Date" definition (Instrument Payout Condition 2(a)): [●] Business Day[s].
- (xvii) Specified Days for "Adjusted Final FX Valuation Date" definition (Instrument Payout Condition 2(a)): [●] Business Day[s].
- (xviii) Trade Date: [[●] / Not Applicable].
17. **Bonus Certificate (Instrument Payout** [Not Applicable / Applicable]. *(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this*

- Condition 1(c):** *paragraph*
- (i) Capped Participation: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
  - (ii) Uncapped Participation: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
  - (iii) Nominal Amount (N): [●].
  - (iv) Cap: [[●] / Expected to be [●] [but shall not be [more than [●]] [and] [less than [●]] / Not Applicable].
  - (v) Participation (P): [[●] / Expected to be [●] [but shall not be [more than [●]] [and] [less than [●]]].
  - (vi) Barrier Level: [●] [being [approximately] equal to [●] per cent. of the Reference Price (Initial)].
  - (vii) Bonus: [[●] / Expected to be [●] [but shall not be [more than [●]] [and] [less than [●]]].
  - (viii) Reference Price (Initial): [Initial Closing Price/Initial Price] of the Underlying Asset.
  - (ix) Reference Price (Final): [Final Closing Price / Final Average Price] of the Underlying Asset.
  - (x) Trade Date: [[●] / Not Applicable].
18. **Delta-One Security (Instrument Payout Condition 1(d)):** [Not Applicable/Applicable]. *(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*
- (i) Nominal Amount (N): [●].
  - (ii) Reference Price (Initial): [Initial Closing Price/Initial Price] of the Underlying Asset.
19. **Physical Settlement (General Instrument Condition 7(e)):** [Applicable, General Instrument Condition 7(e) shall apply/Not Applicable]. *(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*
- (i) Physical Settlement Date: [●].
  - (ii) Deliverable Assets: [●] Shares.
  - (iii) Fractional Cash Amount: [As specified in General Instrument Condition 2(a)/[●] (specify amount)/Not Applicable].
  - (iv) Physical Settlement Disruption Amount: [●].
  - (v) Holder's Election for Physical Settlement (General Instrument Condition 7(f)): [Applicable, General Instrument Condition 7(f) shall apply /Not Applicable].
20. **Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount:** [Par (Do not specify for Warrants; and, if specified in relation to Certificates, include definition of "Nominal Amount")/Fair Market Value].
- Adjusted for any reasonable [Applicable/Not Applicable].

expenses and costs:

## EXERCISE PROVISIONS

21. **Exercise Style of [Warrants / Certificates] (General Instrument Condition 7):** [The [Warrants/Certificates] are American Style Instruments. General Instrument Condition 7(a) is applicable].
- [The [Warrants/Certificates] are European Style Instruments. General Instrument Condition 7(b) is applicable].
- [The [Warrants/Certificates] are Bermudan Style Instruments. General Instrument Condition 7(c) is applicable].
- [– Specified Exercise Time: [●]. (*Insert if cut-off time for receipt of Exercise Notice is not 10.00 a.m. as specified in General Instrument Condition 8*)]
- [– Local Exercise Place: [●]. (*Insert if appropriate*)]
- [– Receipt of Exercise Notice by Calculation Agent (General Instrument Condition 8(s)): Applicable. (*Insert if appropriate*)]
22. **Exercise Period:** (*American Style Instruments only*) [The period beginning on (and including) [●] and ending on (and including) the Expiration Date] / (*Bermudan Style Instruments only*) [Each Specified Exercise Date and the Expiration Date] / (*For European Style Instruments*) [Not Applicable].
23. **Specified Exercise Dates:** (*Bermudan Style Instruments only - specify date and fallback if not a Business Day*) [The first Business Day in each month between the Issue Date and the Expiration Date / [●] (*specify date(s)*)].
- (*For American Style Instruments or European Style Instruments*) [Not Applicable].
24. **Expiration Date[s]:** [●].
- Expiration Date is Business Day Adjusted: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
25. **Automatic Exercise (General Instrument Condition [7(j)/7(i)/8(d)/8(e)/8(f)]):** [Not Applicable / The [Warrants/Certificates] are Automatic Exercise Instruments – General Instrument Condition 7[(i)/(j)/8(d)/8(e)/8(f)] is applicable [, save that General Instrument Condition 7(i)(iii) is not applicable] (*General Instrument Condition 7(i)(iii) is applicable only for physically settled Instruments – if Instruments do not permit physical settlement then remove the square brackets*) [, subject to Holder right to waive Automatic Exercise] (*Holder right to waive Automatic Exercise will apply if the Instruments are to be admitted to trading on the SeDeX market managed*

by Borsa Italiana) [A Waiver of Exercise Notice shall be effective under General Instrument Condition [7(i)(ii)/7(j)(ii)] if it is delivered to the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and the relevant Programme Agent by no later than [●] (Insert time and date) (This sentence should be inserted if the latest date for delivery of the Waiver of Exercise Notice is different from that specified in General Instrument Condition 7(i)(ii) or 7(j)(iii) (as applicable))

26. **Minimum Exercise Number (General Instrument Condition 10(a)):** [Not Applicable/[●]]. (Only specify if General Instrument Condition 10(a) is applicable)
27. **Permitted Multiple (General Instrument Condition 10(a)):** [Not Applicable/[●]]. (Only specify if General Instrument Condition 10(a) is applicable)
28. **Maximum Exercise Number:** [Not Applicable/[●]]. (Only specify if General Instrument Condition 10(b) is applicable)
29. **Strike Price:** [[●]/Not Applicable].
30. **Closing Value:** [[●] (Specify amount)/Not Applicable].

**SHARE LINKED INSTRUMENT / INDEX LINKED INSTRUMENT / COMMODITY LINKED INSTRUMENT / FX LINKED INSTRUMENT / INFLATION LINKED INSTRUMENT / MULTI-ASSET BASKET LINKED INSTRUMENT**

31. **Type of [Warrants/Certificates]:** The [Warrants/Certificates] are [Share Linked Instruments – the Share Linked Conditions are applicable / [and] Index Linked Instruments – the Index Linked Conditions are applicable / linked to the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract (as defined in paragraph 9 above) and are also Index Linked Instruments – the Index Linked Conditions are applicable / Commodity Linked Instruments – the Commodity Linked Conditions are applicable / FX Linked Instruments – the FX Linked Conditions are applicable / Inflation Linked Instruments – the Inflation Linked Conditions are applicable.] [The [Warrants/Certificates] are also Multi-Asset Basket Linked Instruments – Multi-Asset Basket Linked Conditions are applicable.] (Specify which Underlying Asset Conditions are applicable)

**[UNDERLYING TABLE]<sup>3</sup> [ASSET TABLE]**

[Underlying] <sup>4</sup> Asset	Bloomberg / Reuters	[ISIN] (specify if Underlying Asset is a Share)	[Exchange]	[Index Sponsor] (specify if Underlying Asset is an Index)	[Reference Price (Initial)] (specify if applicable)	[Weighting]
[The shares of the] [Name of Share(s) / Exchange Traded Fund(s) / Index(ices) / Commodity(ies) / Commodity Index(ices) / FX Rate(s) / Inflation Index(ices)] [(the /each	[●] (repeat as required)	[●] (repeat as required)	[●] (repeat as required)	[●] (repeat as required)	[●] (repeat as required)	[●] (repeat as required)

<sup>3</sup> Insert if "Delta-One Security" is applicable.

<sup>4</sup> Insert if "Delta-One Security" is applicable.

an] "[●] [Exchange Traded Fund/Share/Index"] (repeat as required)

32. **Share Linked Instruments:** [Applicable / Not Applicable]. *(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*
- (i) Single Share or Share Basket or Multi-Asset Basket: [Single Share / [, being a Share of an Exchange Traded Fund] / Share Basket / [The/Each] Share comprising the Multi-Asset Basket (see paragraph 38 below)].
- (ii) Name of Share(s): [As specified in the column entitled "Asset" in the Asset Table / The shares of the [Exchange Traded Fund / [Name of Share(s)] (Bloomberg: [●]; ISIN: [●]) (the "Share"))].
- (If the Share is the share of an Exchange Traded Fund, insert the following sub-paragraph of this paragraph)*
- [– Exchange Traded Fund[s]:] [Name of Exchange Traded Fund(s)] (Bloomberg: [●]; ISIN: [●]).]
- (iii) Exchange(s): [[●] / As specified in the column entitled "Exchange" in the Asset Table].
- (iv) Related Exchange(s): [[●] / All Exchanges].
- (v) Options Exchange: [●] / Related Exchange].
- (vi) Valuation Time: [Default Valuation Time / Other (specify time)].
- (vii) Initial Share Price: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (viii) Initial Closing Share Price: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (ix) Initial Average Share Price: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (x) Initial Average Closing Share Price: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (xi) Single Share and Reference Dates - Consequences of Disrupted Days: [Applicable - as specified in Share Linked Condition 1.1 / Not Applicable].
- (a) Maximum Days of Disruption: [As specified in Share Linked Condition 7/ Other (specify number of days) / Not Applicable].
- (b) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xii) Single Share and Averaging Reference Dates - Consequences of Disrupted Days: [Applicable - as specified in Share Linked Condition 1.2 / Not Applicable].
- (a) Omission: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (b) Postponement: [Not Applicable / Applicable].

- (c) Modified Postponement: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (d) Maximum Days of Disruption: [As specified in Share Linked Condition 7/Other (*specify number of days*) / Not Applicable].
- (e) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xiii) Share Basket and Reference Dates - Basket Valuation (Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day): [Applicable - as specified in Share Linked Condition 1.3 / Not Applicable].
- (a) Maximum Days of Disruption: [As defined in Share Linked Condition 7 / Other (*specify number of days*) / Not Applicable].
- (b) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xiv) Share Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day): [Applicable - as specified in Share Linked Condition 1.4 / Not Applicable].
- (a) Omission: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (b) Postponement: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (c) Modified Postponement: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (d) Maximum Days of Disruption: [As specified in Share Linked Condition 7 / Other (*specify number of days*) / Not Applicable].
- (e) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xv) Share Basket and Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Common Scheduled Trading Day but Individual Disrupted Day): [Applicable - as specified in Share Linked Condition 1.5 / Not Applicable].
- (a) Maximum Days of Disruption: [As specified in Share Linked Condition 7 / Other (*specify number of days*) / Not Applicable].
- (b) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xvi) Share Basket and Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Common Scheduled Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day): [Applicable - as specified in Share Linked Condition 1.6 / Not Applicable].
- (a) Maximum Days of Disruption: [As specified in Share Linked Condition 7 / Other (*specify number of days*) / Not Applicable].
- (b) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xvii) Fallback Valuation Date: [Not Applicable / Applicable, in respect of [Valuation

		Date/Initial Valuation Date/ <i>specify date(s)</i> ], the Fallback Valuation Date is [ <i>specify date(s)</i> ] / Default Fallback Valuation Date is applicable in respect of [Valuation Date/Initial Valuation Date/Final Valuation Date/ <i>specify date(s)</i> ]].
(xviii)	Observation Period:	[Not Applicable / Applicable].
(a)	Observation Period Start Date:	[[●] / Not Applicable].
(b)	Observation Period End Date:	[[●] / Not Applicable].
(c)	Observation Date (closing valuation):	[Applicable – as specified in Share Linked Condition 7 / Not Applicable].
(d)	Observation Date (intra-day valuation):	[Applicable – as specified in Share Linked Condition 7 / Not Applicable].
(xix)	Change in Law:	[Applicable / Not Applicable].
(xx)	Extraordinary Event - Share Substitution:	[Not Applicable / Applicable].
(xxi)	Correction of Share Price:	[Not Applicable / Applicable].
(xxii)	Correction Cut-off Date:	[Not Applicable.]
		[Default Correction Cut-off Date is applicable in respect of: [Valuation Date/Initial Valuation Date/ <i>specify date(s)</i> ].]
		[In respect of [Valuation Date/Initial Valuation Date/ <i>specify date(s)</i> ], <i>[[insert number] Business Days prior to the Maturity Date / [●] (specify date(s))</i> ].]
(xxiii)	Depository Receipts Provisions:	[Not Applicable / Applicable].
(a)	Depository Receipts:	[●].
(b)	Underlying Shares:	[[●]/As specified in Share Linked Condition 5.1(a)].
(c)	Underlying Share Issuer:	[[●]/As specified in Share Linked Condition 5.1(a)].
(d)	Exchange(s) in respect of Underlying Shares:	[[●]/As specified in Share Linked Condition 5.1(c)].
(e)	Related Exchange(s) in respect of Underlying Shares:	[[●] / As specified in Share Linked Condition 5.1(c)].
(f)	Valuation Time in respect of Underlying Shares:	[As specified in Share Linked Condition 5.1(c)/Other ( <i>specify time and place</i> )].
33.	<b>Index Linked Instruments:</b>	[Applicable/Not Applicable]. ( <i>If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph</i> )



- (i) Single Index or Index Basket or Multi-Asset Basket: [Single Index/Index Basket/[The/Each] Index comprising the Multi-Asset Basket (see paragraph 38 below)].
- (ii) Name of Index(ices): [As specified in the column entitled "Asset" in the Asset Table/The *[Name of Index]* (Bloomberg: *[●]*) (the "**Index**")].
- (iii) Type of Index: [Unitary Index / Multi-Exchange Index].
- (iv) Exchange(s): [[●] / As specified in Index Linked Condition 7].
- (v) Related Exchange(s): [[●] / All Exchanges].
- (vi) Options Exchange: [[●] / Related Exchange / Not Applicable].
- (vii) Index Sponsor: [●].
- (viii) Valuation Time: [Default Valuation Time / Other (*specify time*)].
- (ix) Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (a) Index-Linked Derivatives Contract: [*Specify*].
- (b) Derivatives Exchange: [*Specify*].
- (c) Daily Settlement Price: [Not Applicable/As specified in Index Linked Condition 7 / Other (*Specify price*)].
- (d) Final Settlement Price: [Not Applicable / As specified in Index Linked Condition 7 / Other (*Specify price*)].
- (e) Index Multiplier: [Not Applicable/(*Specify multiplier*)].
- (f) Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Price: [Not Applicable / As specified in Index Linked Condition 7/ Other (*Specify price*)].
- (g) Special Quotation Price: [Not Applicable / As specified in Index Linked Condition 7 / Other (*Specify price*)].
- (h) Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions – Adjustments: [Applicable – as specified in Index Linked Condition 6.3[(a)]/[(b)] / Not Applicable]
- (x) Initial Index Level: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (xi) Initial Closing Index Level: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (xii) Initial Average Index Level: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (xiii) Initial Average Closing Index Level: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (xiv) Single Index and Reference Dates - Consequences of Disrupted 1.1 / [*where the Underlying Asset is an Index-Linked*]

- Days: *Derivatives Contract*] Applicable only if the Final Reference Price is the Final Index Level, pursuant to [paragraph 18 (*Settlement Amount*) above], in which case, as specified in Index Linked Condition 1.1 / Not Applicable / Not Applicable – Index Linked Condition 6.3(b) applies (*if the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions are applicable*)].
- (a) Maximum Days of Disruption: [As specified in Index Linked Condition 7 / [*where the Underlying Asset is an Index-Linked Derivatives Contract*] in respect of the Valuation Date, [eight] Scheduled Trading Days / Other (*specify number of days*) / Not Applicable].
- (b) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xv) Single Index and Averaging Reference Dates - Consequences of Disrupted Days: [Applicable - as specified in Index Linked Condition 1.2 / Not Applicable / Not Applicable – Index Linked Condition 6.3(b) applies (*if the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions are applicable*)].
- (a) Omission: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (b) Postponement: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (c) Modified Postponement: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (d) Maximum Days of Disruption: [As specified in Index Linked Condition 7 / Other (*specify*) / Not Applicable].
- (e) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xvi) Index Basket and Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day): [Applicable - as specified in Index Linked Condition 1.3 / Not Applicable / Not Applicable – Index Linked Condition 6.3(b) applies (*if the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions are applicable*)].
- (a) Maximum Days of Disruption: [As defined in Index Linked Condition 7 / Other (*specify number of days*) / Not Applicable].
- (b) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xvii) Index Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day): [Applicable - as specified in Index Linked Condition 1.4/ Not Applicable / Not Applicable – Index Linked Condition 6.3(b) applies (*if the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions are applicable*)].
- (a) Omission: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (b) Postponement: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (c) Modified Postponement: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (d) Maximum Days of Disruption: [As defined in Index Linked Condition 7 / Other (*specify number of days*) / Not Applicable].

- (e) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xviii) Index Basket and Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Common Scheduled Trading Day but Individual Disrupted Day): [Applicable - as specified in Index Linked Condition 1.5 / Not Applicable / Not Applicable – Index Linked Condition 6.3(b) applies (*if the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions are applicable*)].
- (a) Maximum Days of Disruption: [As defined in Index Linked Condition 7 / Other (*specify number of days*) / Not Applicable].
- (b) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xix) Index Basket and Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Common Scheduled Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day): [Applicable - as specified in Index Linked Condition 1.6 / Not Applicable / Not Applicable – Index Linked Condition 6.3(b) applies (*if the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions are applicable*)].
- (a) Maximum Days of Disruption: [As defined in Index Linked Condition 7 / Other (*specify dates*) / Not Applicable].
- (b) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xx) Fallback Valuation Date: [Not Applicable / Applicable, in respect of [Valuation Date/Initial Valuation Date/Final Valuation Date/*specify date(s)*], the Fallback Valuation Date is [*specify date(s)*] / Default Fallback Valuation Date is applicable in respect of [Valuation Date/Initial Valuation Date/Final Valuation Date/*specify date(s)*]].
- (xxi) Observation Period: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (a) Observation Period Start Date: [[●] / Not Applicable].
- (b) Observation Period End Date: [[●] / Not Applicable].
- (c) Observation Date (closing valuation): [Applicable – as specified in Index Linked Condition 7 / Other (*specify date*) / Not Applicable].
- (d) Observation Date (intra-day valuation): [Applicable – as specified in Index Linked Condition 7 / Other (*specify date*) / Not Applicable].
- (xxii) Index Modification: [Calculation Agent Adjustment / Related Exchange Adjustment].
- (xxiii) Index Cancellation: [Calculation Agent Adjustment / Related Exchange Adjustment].
- (xxiv) Index Disruption: [Calculation Agent Adjustment / Related Exchange Adjustment].
- (xxv) Change in Law: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (xxvi) Correction of Index Level: [Not Applicable / Applicable].

- (xxvii) Correction Cut-off Date: [Not Applicable.]
- [Default Correction Cut-off Date is applicable in respect of: [Valuation Date/Initial Valuation Date/specify date(s)].]
- [In respect of [Valuation Date/Initial Valuation Date/specify date(s)], [[insert number] Business Days prior to the Maturity Date / [●] (specify date(s))].]
- (where the Underlying Asset is an Index-Linked Derivatives Contract) [In respect of the Valuation Date, the second Business Day prior to the Maturity Date / specify date(s)].
- (xxviii) Index Disclaimer: [Applicable to an Index / Not Applicable].
34. **Commodity Linked Instruments (Single Commodity or Commodity Basket):** [Applicable / Not Applicable]. *(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*
- (i) Single Commodity or Commodity Basket: [Single Commodity / Commodity Basket].
- (ii) Name of Commodity (ies): [Name of Commodity(ies) (Bloomberg Code(s): [●])].
- (iii) Commodity Reference Price(s): [[insert relevant Commodity Reference Price], as specified in Commodity Linked Condition 10 / Commodity Reference Price Framework Determination is applicable].
- (iv) Initial Commodity Price: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (v) Initial Commodity Reference Price: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (vi) Trading Facility: [[●] / As specified in the Commodity Reference Price].
- (vii) Unit: [Specify unit of measure of the Relevant Commodity].
- (viii) Delivery Date: [●].
- (ix) Specified Price: [As specified in the Commodity Reference Price / high price / low price / average of high price and low price / closing price / opening price / bid price / asked price / average of bid price and asked price / official settlement price / official price / morning fixing / afternoon fixing / spot price].
- (x) Price Source / Relevant Screen Page: [●].
- (xi) Price Materiality Percentage in respect of Price Source Disruption: [Not Applicable / [●]].
- (xii) Single Commodity and Pricing Dates – Consequences of [Applicable – as specified in Commodity Linked Condition 1.1 - the ordinal number in brackets specifies

- Disrupted Days: the order in which such Disruption Fallbacks shall apply / Not Applicable].
- (a) Calculation Agent Determination: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
- (b) Delayed Publication or Announcement: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
- (c) Fallback Reference Dealers: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
- Reference Dealers for purpose of "Commodity Reference Dealers": [●].
- (d) Fallback Reference Price: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
- alternate Commodity Reference Price: [●].
- (e) Postponement: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
- Maximum Days of Disruption: [As specified in Commodity Linked Condition 9 / Other (*specify number of Scheduled Commodity Business Days*)].
- (f) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xiii) Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Basket Valuation (Individual Scheduled Commodity Business Day and Individual Disrupted Day): [Applicable – as specified in Commodity Linked Condition 1.2 - the ordinal number in brackets specifies the order in which such Disruption Fallbacks shall apply / Not Applicable].
- (a) Calculation Agent Determination: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
- (b) Delayed Publication or Announcement: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
- (c) Fallback Reference Dealers: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
- Reference Dealers for purpose of "Commodity Reference Dealers": [●].
- (d) Fallback Reference Price: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
- alternate Commodity Reference Price: [●].

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| (e)   | Postponement:   | [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].  |
|       | - Maximum Days of Disruption:   | [As specified in Commodity Linked Condition 9 / Other ( <i>specify number of Scheduled Commodity Business Days</i> )].  |
| (f)   | No Adjustment:  | [Not Applicable / Applicable].  |
| (xiv) | Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Basket Valuation (Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day but Individual Disrupted Day): | [Applicable – as specified in Commodity Linked Condition 1.3 - the ordinal number in brackets specifies the order in which such Disruption Fallbacks shall apply / Not Applicable].     |
| (a)   | Calculation Agent Determination:  | [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].  |
| (b)   | Delayed Publication or Announcement:  | [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].  |
| (c)   | Fallback Reference Dealers:   | [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].  |
|       | - Reference Dealers for purpose of "Commodity Reference Dealers":   | [●].  |
| (d)   | Fallback Reference Price:   | [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].  |
|       | - alternate Commodity Reference Price:  | [●].  |
| (e)   | Postponement:   | [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].  |
|       | - Maximum Days of Disruption:   | [As specified in Commodity Linked Condition 9 / Other ( <i>specify number of Scheduled Commodity Business Days</i> )].  |
| (f)   | No Adjustment:  | [Not Applicable / Applicable].  |
| (xv)  | Correction of Commodity Reference Price:  | [Not Applicable / Applicable – as specified in Commodity Linked Condition 3].   |
| (xvi) | Correction Cut-off Date:  | [Not Applicable.]   |
|       |   | [Default Correction Cut-off Date is applicable in respect of: [Valuation Date/Initial Valuation Date/ <i>specify date(s)</i> ].]  |
|       |   | [In respect of [Valuation Date/Initial Valuation Date/ <i>specify date(s)</i> ], [[ <i>insert number</i> ] Business Days prior to the Maturity Date / [●] ( <i>specify date(s)</i> )].] |

- (xvii) Fallback Pricing Date: [Not Applicable / *specify date(s)*].
35. **Commodity Linked Instruments (Commodity Index):** [Applicable/Not Applicable]. (*If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph*)
- (i) Name of Commodity Index: [*Name of Commodity Index* (Bloomberg Code(s): [●])].
- (ii) Commodity Index Sponsor: [●].
- (iii) Initial Commodity Index Level: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (iv) Initial Commodity Index Closing Level: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (v) Single Commodity Index and Valuation Dates: [Applicable - as specified in Commodity Linked Condition 6/ Not Applicable].
- Maximum Days of Disruption: [As defined in Commodity Linked Condition 9 / Other (*specify number of Scheduled Commodity Trading Days*)].
36. **FX Linked Instruments:** [Applicable / Not Applicable]. (*If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub paragraphs of this paragraph*)
- (i) Single FX Rate or FX Rate Basket: [Single FX Rate / FX Rate Basket].
- (ii) Name of FX Rate(s): [Each Asset FX Rate / Currency Price].
- (iii) Specified Rate: [Official fixing rate / Official mid closing rate / Spot rate / Mid rate / Fixing rate].
- (iv) Initial Currency Price: [Not Applicable / Applicable [, being [●]]].
- (v) Fixing Day: [Publication Fixing Day / Transaction Fixing Day] on which no FX Disruption Event has occurred or is continuing.
- (vi) Non-Default FX Business Day for euro: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (vii) Fixing Price Sponsor: [●].
- (viii) Valuation Time: [[●] (*specify time*)].
- (ix) Single FX Rate and Reference Dates - Consequences of non-Fixing Days: [Applicable – as specified in FX Linked Condition 1.1 / Not Applicable].
- (a) Maximum Days of Postponement: [As specified in FX Linked Condition 3 / Other (*specify number of days*) / Not Applicable].
- (b) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (x) Single FX Rate and Averaging Reference Dates - Consequences of non-Fixing Days: [Applicable - as specified in FX Linked Condition 1.2 / Not Applicable].

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|        | (a) | Omission:   | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
|        | (b) | Postponement:   | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
|        | (c) | Modified Postponement:  | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
|        | (d) | Maximum Days of Postponement:   | [As specified in FX Linked Condition 3 / Other ( <i>specify number of days</i> ) / Applicable].        |
|        | (e) | No Adjustment:  | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
| (xi)   |     | FX Rate Basket and Reference Dates – Individual Fixing Day:           | [Applicable - as specified in FX Linked Condition 1.3 / Not Applicable].                               |
|        | (a) | Maximum Days of Postponement:   | [As defined in FX Linked Condition 3 / Other ( <i>specify number of days</i> ) / Not Applicable].      |
|        | (b) | No Adjustment:  | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
| (xii)  |     | FX Rate Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Individual Fixing Day: | [Applicable - as specified in FX Linked Condition 1.4 / Not Applicable].                               |
|        | (a) | Omission:   | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
|        | (b) | Postponement:   | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
|        | (c) | Modified Postponement:  | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
|        | (d) | Maximum Days of Postponement:   | [As defined in FX Linked Condition 3 / Other ( <i>specify number of days</i> ) / Not Applicable].      |
|        | (e) | No Adjustment:  | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
| (xiii) |     | FX Rate Basket and Reference Dates – Common Fixing Day:               | [Applicable - as specified in FX Linked Condition 1.5 / Not Applicable].                               |
|        | (a) | Maximum Days of Postponement:   | [As defined in FX Linked Condition 3 / Other ( <i>specify number of days</i> ) / Not Applicable].      |
|        | (b) | No Adjustment:  | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
| (xiv)  |     | Observation Period:   | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
|        | (a) | Observation Period Start Date and Time:                               | [[●] / Not Applicable].  |
|        | (b) | Observation Period End Date and Time:                                 | [[●] / Not Applicable].  |
|        | (c) | Barrier Event Determination Date:                                     | [Applicable – as specified in FX Linked Condition 3 / Other ( <i>specify date</i> ) / Not Applicable]. |
|        | (d) | Spot Exchange Rate:   | [Applicable – as specified in FX Linked Condition 3 / Other ( <i>specify rate</i> ) / Not Applicable]. |
|        | (e) | Currency Pair:  | [Not Applicable / Reference Currency is [●] and Base Currency is [●]].                                 |



**[ASSET FX TABLE]<sup>5</sup>**

<b>Asset</b>	<b>Asset Currency</b>	<b>Base Currency</b>	<b>[Asset FX (Initial)]</b>	<b>Asset FX Fixing Price Sponsor</b>	<b>Asset FX Price Source</b>	<b>Asset FX Valuation Time</b>
[The shares of the [Name of Share(s)/Exchange Traded Fund(s) /Index(ices)] [(the "Exchange Traded Fund")]] (repeat as required)	[insert currency] (repeat as required)	[insert currency] (repeat as required)	[insert relevant exchange rate] (repeat as required)	[insert relevant entity] (repeat as required)	[insert relevant price source(s)] (repeat as required)	[insert relevant valuation time in the relevant place] (repeat as required)

37. **Inflation Linked Instruments:** [Applicable / Not Applicable]. *(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*
- (i) Single Inflation Index or Inflation Index Basket: [Single Inflation Index / Inflation Index Basket].
- (ii) Name of Inflation Index / Indices: [Name of Inflation Index / Indices (Bloomberg Code(s): [●])].
- (iii) Inflation Index Sponsor: [●].
- (iv) Initial Inflation Index Level: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (v) Observation Date(s): [Five Business Days prior to any payment date as specified in Inflation Linked Condition 7 (Definitions) / Other (specify other number of Business Days prior to any payment date)].
- (vi) Change in Law: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (vii) Initial Reference Month: [[●]/Not Applicable].
- (viii) Final Reference Month: [[●]/Not Applicable].
- (ix) Relevant Reference Month: [[●]/Not Applicable].
38. **Multi-Asset Basket Linked Instruments:** [Applicable/Not Applicable].
- (i) Multi-Asset Basket: A basket composed of the Share[s] and the Ind[ex/ices] each as specified in the column entitled "Asset" in the Asset Table.
- (ii) Multi-Asset Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Common Trading Day but Common Disrupted Day): [Applicable to the Common Basket Assets / Not Applicable].
- (a) Postponement: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (b) Modified Postponement: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (c) Maximum Days of [As defined in Multi-Asset Basket Linked Provision 2 /

<sup>5</sup> Insert if "Participation Certificate" is applicable.

- Disruption: Other (*specify number of days of Common Trading Days*) / Not Applicable].
- (d) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (iii) Multi-Asset Basket and Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Common Trading Day but Individual Disrupted Day): [Applicable to the Common Basket Assets / Not Applicable].
- (a) Maximum Days of Disruption: [As defined in Multi-Asset Basket Linked Provision 2 / Other (*specify number of days of Scheduled Trading Days*) / Not Applicable].
- (b) No Adjustment: [Applicable/Not Applicable].
- (iv) Multi-Asset Basket and Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Common Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day): [Applicable to the Common Basket Assets / Not Applicable].
- (a) Maximum Days of Disruption: [As defined in Multi-Asset Basket Linked Provision 2 / Other (*specify number of days of Common Trading Days*) / Not Applicable].
- (b) No Adjustment: [Applicable/Not Applicable].

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO THE [WARRANTS/CERTIFICATES]

39. **FX Disruption Event/CNY FX Disruption Event (General Instrument Condition 12):** [FX Disruption Event is applicable to the Instruments - General Instrument Condition 12 and FX Linked Condition 3 shall apply/CNY FX Disruption Event is applicable to the Instruments – General Instrument Condition 12 and FX Linked Condition 3 shall apply/Not Applicable]
- (*If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph*)
- (i) Base Currency: [Settlement Currency/[●] (*specify other currency*)].
- (ii) Reference Currency: [[●]/Not Applicable].
- (iii) Reference Country: [[●]/Not Applicable].
- (iv) CNY Financial Centre(s): [[●]/Not Applicable].
- (v) USD/CNY Exchange Rate: [As specified in FX Linked Condition 3/Not Applicable] (*If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph*)
- (a) Fixing Price Sponsor: [[●] / Not Applicable]
- (b) Valuation Time: [[●] / Not Applicable]
- (vi) USD/Affected Currency Exchange Rate: [As specified in FX Linked Condition 3/Not Applicable] (*If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph*)

- (a) Affected Currency: [Settlement Currency/Reference Currency/[●] (*specify other currency*)].
- (b) Fixing Price Sponsor: [[●]/Not Applicable]
- (c) Valuation Time: [[●]/Not Applicable]
- (d) FX Disruption Event Cut-off Date (General Instrument Condition 2(a)): [Default FX Disruption Event Cut-off Date / Specified Day(s): [●] Business Day[s]/calendar day[s]].
- (e) Adjusted Affected Payment Date (General Instrument Condition 2(a)): [Default Adjusted Affected Payment Date / Specified Day(s): [●] [Business Day[s]/calendar day[s]].
- (f) Affected Payment Cut-off Date (General Instrument Condition 2(a)): [Default Affected Payment Cut-off Date / Specified Day(s): [●] [Business Day[s]/calendar day[s]].
- (vii) Trade Date: [[●]/Not Applicable].
40. **Rounding (General Instrument Condition 21):**
- (i) Non-Default calculation values and percentages: – [Applicable / Not Applicable]. (*If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraph of this paragraph*)
- Specified Decimal Place: [Fractional Entitlement / Bonus / Perf / Underlying Performance / Participation / Reference Price (Final) / Reference Price (Initial) / Floor / Cap / Strike / FXR / FX (Final) / FX (Initial) / Asset FX (Final) / Asset FX (Initial) / *specify other calculation value or percentage*]: rounded to [*insert number*] decimal place.
- (ii) Non-Default Rounding amounts due and payable: – [Applicable / Not Applicable]. (*If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraph of this paragraph*)
- Specified Sub-Unit: [[All amounts due and payable/Settlement Amount/Interest Amount/Automatic Early Exercise Amount / *specify other amounts due and payable*]: rounded [downwards/upwards] to next [higher/lower] [●] (*Specified Sub-Unit of relevant currency*)].
- (iii) Other Rounding Convention: [Applicable / Not Applicable]. (*If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph*)
- (a) Specified Decimal Place: [Not Applicable / [Barrier Level / *specify other amount*]: rounded to [*insert number*] decimal place].
- (b) Specified Sub-Unit: [Not Applicable / [Barrier Level / *specify other amount*]: rounded [downwards/upwards] to next [higher/lower] [*insert number*] (*Specified Sub-Unit of relevant currency*)].

41. **Additional Business Centre(s):** *[[●] (Specify such place(s) as may be relevant. Definition of Business Day in General Instrument Condition 2(a) includes Principal Financial Centre of Settlement Currency)/Not Applicable].*
- Non-Default Business Day: [Applicable/Not Applicable].
42. **Principal Financial Centre:** *[As specified in General Instrument Condition 2(a) / The Principal Financial Centre in relation to [insert relevant currency] is [insert relevant place(s)]]. (If Non-Default Principal Financial Centre is Applicable, specify the place(s) to be specified as the principal financial centre for the relevant currency)]*
- Non-Default Principal Financial Centre: [Applicable/Not Applicable].
43. **Form of [Warrants/Certificates]:** [CREST Registered Instruments]  
[Euroclear/Clearstream Instruments]  
[Euroclear France Registered Instruments]  
[Monte Titoli Registered Instruments]  
[Euroclear Finland Registered Instruments]  
[VPS Registered Instruments]  
[Euroclear Sweden Registered Instruments]
44. **Minimum Trading Number (General Instrument Condition 5(b)):** *[[●] (specify number)/Not Applicable].*
45. **Permitted Trading Multiple (General Instrument Condition 5(b)):** *[[●] (specify number)/Not Applicable].*
46. **Calculation Agent (General Instrument Condition 16):** [Goldman Sachs International/[●] (specify other)].

## DISTRIBUTION

47. **Method of distribution:** [Syndicated / Non-syndicated].
- (i) If syndicated, names and addresses of Managers and underwriting commitments: [Not Applicable / give names, addresses and underwriting commitments].
- (Include names and addresses of entities agreeing to underwrite the issue on a firm commitment basis and names and addresses of the entities agreeing to place the issue without a firm commitment or on a "best efforts" basis if such entities are not the same as the Managers.)*
- (ii) Date of Subscription Agreement: [Not Applicable / [●]].
- (iii) If non-syndicated, name and address of Dealer: [Not Applicable / give name and address].
48. **Non-exempt Offer:** [Not Applicable] [An offer of the [Warrants/Certificates] may be made by the Managers [and [specify, if applicable]] other than pursuant to

Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive in [*specify relevant Member State(s) - which must be jurisdictions where the Base Prospectus and any supplements have been notified*] ("**Public Offer Jurisdictions**") during the period from [*specify date*] until [*specify date*] ("**Offer Period**"). See further paragraph entitled "Terms and Conditions of the Offer" below.

Signed on behalf of [Goldman Sachs International /Goldman, Sachs & Co. Wertpapier GmbH]:

By: .....  
Duly authorised

## OTHER INFORMATION

### LISTING AND ADMISSION TO TRADING

[Application [has been/will be] made by the Issuer (or on its behalf) for the [Warrants/Certificates] to be listed on the Official List and admitted to trading on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange/ NASDAQ OMX Stockholm Stock Exchange/ regulated unofficial market (Freiverkehr) of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange / NDX Nordic Derivatives Exchange / SeDeX market / London Stock Exchange / [●] (*Specify other regulated markets or unregulated markets*) with effect from [the Issue Date/specify other date]] / [Application is expected to be made by the Issuer (or on its behalf) for the [Warrants/Certificates] to be listed on the Official List and admitted to trading on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange/ [●] (*Specify other regulated markets or unregulated markets*) with effect from [the Issue Date/specify other date]] / [The [Warrants/Certificates] will not be listed or admitted to trading on any exchange].]

[No assurances can be given that such application for listing and admission to trading will be granted (or, if granted, will be granted by [the Issue Date/specify other date]).]

[The Issuer has no duty to maintain the listing (if any) of the [Warrants/Certificates] on the relevant stock exchange(s) over their entire lifetime. The [Warrants/Certificates] may be suspended from trading and/or de-listed at any time in accordance with applicable rules and regulations of the relevant stock exchange(s).]

(Where documenting a fungible issue need to indicate that original Securities are already admitted to trading.)

### [LIQUIDITY AGREEMENTS] **ENHANCEMENT** *[insert only if applicable]*

[Insert name and address of the entities which have a firm commitment to act as intermediaries in secondary trading, providing liquidity through bid and offer rates and description of the main terms of their commitment] / [Not Applicable.]

### [RATINGS] *[insert only if applicable]*

Ratings:

[The [Warrants/Certificates] to be issued have been rated:

[S & P: [●]]

[Moody's: [●]]

[Fitch: [●]]

[[Other]: [●]].

*[Need to include a brief explanation of the meaning of the ratings if this has previously been published by the rating provider.]*

*(The above disclosure should reflect the rating allocated to [Warrants/Certificates] of the type being issued under the Programme generally or, where the issue has been specifically rated, that rating.)*

#### **[INTERESTS OF NATURAL AND LEGAL PERSONS INVOLVED IN THE ISSUE/OFFER]**

*Need to include a description of any interest, including conflicting ones, that is material to the issue/offer, detailing the persons involved and the nature of the interest. May be satisfied by the inclusion of the following statement:*

["Save as discussed in the risk factor, "Risks associated with conflicts of interests between Goldman Sachs and purchasers of Securities", so far as the Issuer is aware, no person involved in the offer of the [Warrants/Certificates] has an interest material to the offer."]

#### **REASONS FOR THE OFFER, ESTIMATED NET PROCEEDS AND TOTAL EXPENSES**

(i) Reasons for the offer [Not Applicable/[●]].

*(See "Use of Proceeds" wording in Base Prospectus – if reasons for offer different from general business use of the Issuer will need to include those reasons here. Otherwise, this paragraph may be deleted.)*

(ii) Estimated net proceeds: [Not Applicable/[●]].

*(If proceeds are intended for more than one use will need to split out and present in order of priority. If proceeds insufficient to fund all proposed uses state amount and sources of other funding.)*

(iii) Estimated total expenses: [Not Applicable/[●]].

*(Include breakdown of expenses)*

#### **[PERFORMANCE AND VOLATILITY OF THE UNDERLYING ASSET]**

*(If the Notes pay par at redemption and have a denomination of at least EUR 100,000 to which Annex XX (XIII) of the Prospectus Regulation applies, then there is no requirement to include details of where past and further performance and volatility of the Underlying Asset can be obtained – otherwise include the relevant details here.)]*

#### **OPERATIONAL INFORMATION**

Any Clearing System(s) other than Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. and Clearstream Banking, société anonyme and the relevant identification [Not Applicable/Euroclear France/ VPS/ Euroclear Sweden/Euroclear Finland/CREST/ Monte Titoli/[●]] (specify other, give name(s),

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number(s): *address(es) and number(s))*.

Delivery: Delivery [against/free of] payment.

Names and addresses of additional Programme Agent(s) (if any): [Not Applicable/[●] (*specify*)].

Operational contact(s) for Principal Programme Agent: [Not Applicable/[●] (*specify*)].

### **[TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE OFFER]***[Insert only if applicable]*

Offer Period: An offer of the [Certificates/Warrants] may be made by the managers other than pursuant to Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive in the Public Offer Jurisdictions during the period commencing on (and including) [●] and ending on (and including) [●].

Offer Price: [Issue Price/[●] (*specify*)].

Conditions to which the offer is subject: [The offer of the [Certificates/Warrants] for sale to the public in the Public Offer Jurisdiction(s) are subject to the relevant regulatory approvals having been granted, and the [Certificates/Warrants] being issued/Not Applicable/[●] (*give details*)].

Description of the application process: [Not Applicable/[●] (*give details*)].

Description of possibility to reduce subscriptions and manner for refunding excess amount paid by applicants: [Not Applicable/[●] (*give details*)].

Details of the minimum and/or maximum amount of application: [The maximum number of [Certificates/Warrants] to be issued is [●]/Not Applicable/[●] (*give details*)].

Details of the method and time limits for paying up and delivering the [Warrants/Certificates]: [The [Certificates/Warrants] will be issued on the Issue Date against payment to the Issuer of the net subscription moneys/Not Applicable/[●] (*give details*)].

Manner in and date on which results of the offer are to be made public: [The results of the offering will be available on the website of [the Issuer/*specify other*] on or around the end of the Offer Period/Not Applicable/[●] (*give details*)].

Procedure for exercise of any right of pre-emption, negotiability of subscription rights and treatment of subscription rights not exercised: [Not Applicable/[●] (*give details*)].

Whether tranche(s) have been reserved for certain countries: [Not Applicable/[●] (*give details*)].

Process for notification to applicants of the amount allotted and the indication whether



dealing may begin before notification is made:

Amount of any expenses and taxes specifically charged to the subscriber or purchaser: [Not Applicable/[●] (*give details*)].

Name(s) and address(es), to the extent known to the Issuer, of the placers in the various countries where the offer takes place: [None/[●] (*give details*)].

**Consent to use the Base Prospectus**

Identity of financial intermediary(ies) that are allowed to use the Base Prospectus: [*insert name and address of any financial intermediary which has consent to use the Base Prospectus*].

Offer period during which subsequent resale or final placement of Instruments by financial intermediaries can be made: [*specify*]

Conditions attached to the consent: [*insert any clear and objective conditions attached to the consent to use the Base Prospectus*]

**[ANNEX**

***[Insert if you wish to include the following additional information in accordance with Annex XXI of the Prospectus Regulation]***

**[EXAMPLES**

*The Issuer may, but is not obliged to, include additional information here by way of examples of complex derivatives as referred to in recital 18 of the Prospectus Regulation.]*

**[ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE UNDERLYING**

*The Issuer may, but is not obliged to, include additional information here as to additional provisions, not required by the relevant securities note, relating to the Underlying Asset(s) including, if applicable, Index and Commodity Index disclaimer(s).]*

**ISSUE-SPECIFIC SUMMARY OF THE SECURITIES**

*[Insert]*

## FORM OF FINAL TERMS (NOTES)

ISIN: [●]

Common Code: [●]

[Valoren: [●]]

[WKN: [●]]

[[insert other security identification number]]

[PIPG Tranche Number: [●]]

**Final Terms dated [●]**

**[GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL / GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. WERTPAPIER  
GMBH]**

**Programme for the issuance  
of Warrants, Notes and Certificates**

**Issue of [Aggregate Nominal Amount of Tranche] [Title of Notes], due [Maturity Date] (the  
"Notes" or the "Securities")**

**Guaranteed by The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.**

## CONTRACTUAL TERMS

Terms used herein shall have the same meaning as in the General Note Conditions, the [EIS] Note Payout Conditions and the applicable Underlying Asset Conditions set forth in the base prospectus dated 24 June 2013 (the "**Base Prospectus**") [and the supplement[s] to the Base Prospectus dated [●], [●] and [●]] which [together] constitute[s] a base prospectus for the purposes of Directive 2003/71/EC (as amended by Directive 2010/73/EU, the "**Prospectus Directive**"). This document constitutes the Final Terms of the Notes described herein for the purposes of Article 5.4 of the Prospectus Directive and must be read in conjunction with such Base Prospectus [as so supplemented]. Full information on the Issuer, the Guarantor and the offer of the Notes is only available on the basis of the combination of these Final Terms and the Base Prospectus [as so supplemented]. The Base Prospectus [and the supplement[s] to the Base Prospectus] [is] [are] available for viewing at [www.bourse.lu](http://www.bourse.lu) and during normal business hours at the registered office of the Issuer, and copies may be obtained from the specified office of the Luxembourg Paying Agent. [These Final Terms are available for viewing at [www.bourse.lu](http://www.bourse.lu)] [*Include where the Securities are to be admitted to trading on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange*] / [●] [*insert other website if the Securities will not be admitted to trading on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and the Final Terms will be published elsewhere*].]

A summary of the Notes (which comprises the summary in the Base Prospectus as amended to reflect the provisions of these Final Terms) is attached to these Final Terms.

*[Specify whether each of the items below is applicable or not applicable. Italics denote guidance for completing final terms.]*

1. **Tranche Number:** [[●]/Not Applicable].  
*(If fungible with an existing Series, include the date on which the Notes become fungible)*
2. **Specified Currency or Currencies:** [●].
3. **Aggregate Nominal Amount:** *(If Applicable, specify Currency and Nominal Amount)*

- [(i) Series: [●]. (*Specify Currency and Nominal Amount*)
- [(ii)] Tranche: [●]. (*Specify Currency and Nominal Amount*)
4. **Issue Price:** [[Up to] [●] per cent. of the Aggregate Nominal Amount/[●] per Note [plus accrued interest from *[insert date]* (*if applicable*)].
- [Issue Price FX Conversion is applicable:] (*Insert if BRL FX Note Conditions or FX Note Conditions are applicable*)
- [EUR Issue Price is: EUR [●].] [BRL FX (Initial) is: *[insert amount]*] (*Insert as appropriate if BRL FX Note Conditions are applicable*)
- [Specified Currency Issue Price is: *[specify issue price in Specified Currency]*.] [FX (Initial) is: *[insert amount]*] (*Insert as appropriate if FX Note Conditions are applicable*).
5. (i) **Specified Denominations:** [●] [and integral multiples of [●] in excess thereof].
- (ii) **Calculation Amount:** [●].
6. **Issue Date:** [●].
7. **Maturity Date:** Scheduled Maturity Date is *[insert date]*. [Maturity Date – Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)/Maturity Date – Index Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)/Maturity Date – Commodity Linked Condition 9 (*General Definitions*)/BRL FX Note Conditions] [is/are] applicable].
- (i) **Strike Date:** [[●]/Not Applicable].
- (ii) **Relevant Determination Date (General Note Condition 2(a)):** [Latest Reference Date in respect of the Valuation Date/Valuation Date/Latest Reference Date in respect of the Pricing Date/Pricing Date/[●] (*specify other date*)/Not Applicable].
- (iii) **Scheduled Determination Date:** [[●]/Not Applicable].
- (iv) **Maturity Date Specific Adjustment:** [Applicable/Not Applicable]. (*If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraph of this paragraph*)
- Specified Day(s) for the purposes of "Maturity Date Specific Adjustment": [●] Business Day[s].
- (v) **Business Day Adjustment:** [Applicable/Not Applicable].

- (vi) Maturity Date Business Day Convention: [Following Business Day Convention/Modified Following Business Day Convention/Modified Business Day Convention/Nearest/Preceding Business Day Convention/FRN Convention/Floating Rate Convention/Eurodollar Convention/No Adjustment].
8. **Underlying Asset(s):** [The Share[s] (as defined below)/Exchange Traded Fund[s] (as defined below)/ Inde[x/ices] (as defined below)/[●] (*Specify relevant futures contract*), being the [futures/options] contract relating to the Index, with the expiration month of [●] (*Specify*) (the "**Index-Linked Derivatives Contract**")/Commodit[y/ies] (as defined below)/Commodity Inde[x/ices] (as defined below)/Inflation Inde[x/ices] (as defined below)/FX Rate[s] (as defined below) (further particulars specified below)/Not Applicable].

## VALUATION PROVISIONS

9. **Valuation / Pricing Date(s):** [[●]/Not Applicable]. (*If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraph of this paragraph*)
- [- **Final Valuation Date:** [●]/Not Applicable].
10. **Averaging:** [[●]/Not Applicable]. (*If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph*)
- (i) Averaging Dates: [[●]/Not Applicable].
- (ii) Initial Averaging Date(s): [[●]/Not Applicable].
11. **Latest Reference Date:** [Applicable/Not Applicable].

## INTEREST PROVISIONS

12. **Interest Basis:** [[●] per cent. Fixed Rate/LIBOR/EURIBOR/[●] (*specify other*) +/- [●] per cent. Floating Rate/ FX Linked Interest/Not Applicable] [subject as provided in the Note Payout Conditions].
13. **Interest Commencement Date:** [Issue Date/[●] (*Specify*)/Not Applicable].
14. **Fixed Rate Note Conditions (General Note Condition 7):** [Applicable/Not Applicable]. (*If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph*)
- (i) Rate(s) of Interest: [[●] per cent. per annum [annually/semi-annually/quarterly/bi-monthly/monthly/[●] (*specify*)] in arrear/Not Applicable/Determined in accordance with General Note Condition 7(e) and set forth in the Interest Rate Table

below in the column entitled "Rate of Interest".

- (ii) Interest Payment Date(s): [Each of the [●] day of [month], [month] (repeat as required) in each calendar year from, and including, [●] to, and including, [●] /Other (specify date(s))].
- (iii) Fixed Coupon Amount(s): [[●] per Calculation Amount/Not Applicable].
- (iv) Broken Amount(s): [[●] per Calculation Amount payable on the Interest Payment Date falling [in/on] [●] [and] [●] (Insert particulars of any initial or broken interest amounts which do not correspond with the Fixed Coupon Amount(s) and the Interest Payment Date(s) to which they relate)/Not Applicable].
- (v) Day Count Fraction: [Actual/Actual (ICMA)] [Actual/Actual (ISDA)] [Actual/365] [Actual/365 (Fixed)] [Actual/360] [30/360] [30E/360] [Eurobond Basis].
- (vii) Step Up Fixed Rate Note Conditions (General Note Condition 7(e)): [Applicable/Not Applicable]. (If Not Applicable, delete the table below)

Interest Rate Table	
Interest Period Start Date	Rate of Interest
Interest Commencement Date	[●] per cent. per annum
[insert date] [repeat as required]	[●] per cent. per annum [repeat as required]

15. **BRL FX Note Conditions (Note Payout Condition 1(a)):** [Applicable/Not Applicable]. (If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)
- (i) Rate: [●].
- (ii) Day Count Fraction (DCF): [Actual/Actual (ICMA)] [Actual/Actual (ISDA)] [Actual/365] [Actual/365 (Fixed)] [Actual/360] [30/360] [30E/360] [Eurobond Basis].
- (iii) Scheduled Interest Payment Date(s): [●].
- (iv) Business Day Convention: [Following Business Day Convention/Modified Following Business Day Convention/Modified Business Day Convention/Nearest/Preceding Business Day Convention/FRN Convention/Floating Rate Convention/Eurodollar Convention/No

Adjustment].

- (v) Specified Number of Business Days: [●] Business Day[s].
- (vi) Specified Number of Scheduled USD/BRL FX Business Days: [●] Scheduled USD/BRL FX Business Day[s].
- (vii) Specified Day(s) for "Maturity Date" definition (Note Payout Condition 3(a)): [●] Business Day[s].
- (viii) Specified Bloomberg Page: Bloomberg Page: [●].
- (ix) Specified Reuters Screen: Reuters Screen: [●].
- (x) BRL PTAX Rate Source: [SISBACEN Data System under transaction code "PTAX-800" ("Consulta de Cambio" or Exchange Rate Inquiry), Option 5 ("Cotacões para Contabilidade" or Rates for Accounting Purposes) / [●] (*specify*)].
- (xi) BRL PTAX Rate Sponsor: [Banco Central do Brasil / [●] (*specify*)].
- (xii) BRL PTAX Valuation Time: [1.15 p.m., São Paulo time / [●] (*specify*)].
16. **FX Note Conditions (Note Payout Condition 1(b)):** [Applicable/Not Applicable]. (*If Not Applicable, delete the remaining subparagraphs of this paragraph*)
- (i) Rate: [●].
- (ii) Day Count Fraction (DCF): [Actual/Actual (ICMA)] [Actual/Actual (ISDA)] [Actual/365] [Actual/365 (Fixed)] [Actual/360] [30/360] [30E/360] [Eurobond Basis].

Valuation and Interest Payment Date Table	
Valuation Date	Interest Payment Date
[insert] ( <i>repeat as required</i> )	[insert] ( <i>repeat as required</i> )

17. **Floating Rate Note Conditions (General Note Condition 8):** [Applicable/Not Applicable]. (*If Not Applicable, delete the remaining subparagraphs of this paragraph*)
- (i) Interest Period(s): [Adjusted/Unadjusted].
- (ii) Interest Payment Dates: [Each of the [●] day of [month], [month] *repeat as required* in each calendar year from, and including, [●] to, and including, [●] / [●] (*specify date(s)*)].
- (iii) Business Day Convention: [Following Business Day Convention/Modified Following Business Day Convention/Modified



- Business Day Convention/Nearest/Preceding Business Day Convention/FRN Convention/Floating Rate Convention/Eurodollar Convention/No Adjustment].
- (iv) Manner in which the Rate(s) of Interest is/are to be determined: [Screen Rate Determination/ISDA Determination].
- (v) Screen Rate Determination (General Note Condition 8(c)): [Applicable/Not Applicable]. *(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*
- (a) Reference Rate: [Bloomberg Page/Reuters Screen] shall prevail.
- (b) Reference Rate Currency: [●].
- (c) Interest Determination Date(s): [Any relevant day/[●] Rate Business Days prior to any relevant day].
- (d) Relevant Screen Page(s): [Bloomberg Page: [●]] [and] [Reuters Screen: [●]]
- (e) Relevant Maturity: [●].
- (f) Relevant Time: [[●]/Not Applicable].
- (g) Relevant Financial Centre: [●].
- (h) Specified Time for the purposes of General Note Condition 8(c)(iii): [[●]/Not Applicable].
- (vi) ISDA Determination (General Note Condition 8(d)): [Applicable/Not Applicable]. *(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*
- (a) Floating Rate Option: [●].
- (b) Designated Maturity: [●].
- (c) Reset Date: [First day of an Interest Period / [●] (specify)].
- (vii) Margin(s): [[+/-][●] per cent. per annum./ Each amount set forth in the Interest Rate Table in the column entitled "Margin"]
- (viii) Participation Rate: [[●]/Each amount set forth in the Interest Rate Table in the column entitled "Participation Rate"].
- (ix) Minimum Rate of Interest: [[●] per cent. per annum./Each amount set forth in the Interest Rate Table in the column entitled "Minimum Rate of Interest"].
- (x) Maximum Rate of Interest: [[●] per cent. per annum. /Each amount set forth in the Interest Rate Table in the column entitled "Maximum Rate of Interest"].

- (xi) Day Count Fraction: [Actual/Actual (ICMA)] [Actual/Actual (ISDA)] [Actual/365] [Actual/365 (Fixed)] [Actual/360] [30/360] [30E/360] [Eurobond Basis].
- (xii) Specified Period: [[●] (*Specify if Floating Rate Convention is the applicable Business Day Convention*)/Not Applicable].
- (xiii) Capped Floored Floating Rate Note Conditions (General Note Condition 8(f)): [Applicable/Not Applicable]. (*If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph*)
- (xv) Substitute or Successor Rate of Interest (General Note Condition 8(g)): [Applicable/Not Applicable].

Interest Rate Table				
Interest Period Start Date	[Minimum Rate of Interest]	[Maximum Rate of Interest]	[Participation Rate]	[Margin]
Interest Commencement Date	[●] per cent. per annum	[●] per cent. per annum	[insert amount]	[+/-] [insert amount]
[●] ( <i>repeat as required</i> )	[[●] per cent. per annum] ( <i>repeat as required</i> )	[[●] per cent. per annum] ( <i>repeat as required</i> )	[insert amount] ( <i>repeat as required</i> )	[+/-] [insert amount] ( <i>repeat as required</i> )

18. **Change of Interest Basis (General Note Condition 9):** [Applicable/Not Applicable].

*(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*

Interest Rate Table	
Interest Period Start Date	Interest Basis
Interest Commencement Date	[Fixed Rate/Floating Rate]
[insert date] ( <i>repeat as required</i> )	[Fixed Rate/Floating Rate]

## REDEMPTION PROVISIONS

19. **Redemption/Payment Basis:** [Redemption at par/Share Linked/Index Linked/Commodity Linked/FX Linked/Inflation Linked/EIS Notes].
20. **Redemption at the option of the Issuer (General Note Condition 10(b)):** [Applicable – General Note Condition 10(b) shall apply/Not Applicable]. (*If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph*)

- (i) Optional Redemption Date(s) (Call): [[●]/Each date set forth in the Optional Redemption Table in the column entitled "Optional Redemption Date(s) (Call)".
- (ii) Call Option Notice Date(s): [[●]/Each date set forth in the Optional Redemption Table in the column entitled "Call Option Notice Date(s)".
- (iii) Optional Redemption Amount(s) (Call): [●] per Calculation Amount. [Accrued interest payable.]

Optional Redemption Table	
Call Option Notice Date(s)	Optional Redemption Date(s) (Call)
[insert]	[insert]

21. **Redemption at the option of Noteholders (General Note Condition 10(c)):** [Applicable – General Note Condition 10(c) shall apply/Not Applicable]. *(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*
- (i) Optional Redemption Date (Put): [Default Optional Redemption Date (Put) / [●] Business Day(s) following the relevant Put Option Exercise Date].
- (ii) Optional Redemption Amount (Put): [●] per Calculation Amount. [Accrued interest payable.]
- (iii) Put Option Notice Period: [Default Notice Period / [●] [day[s]/ Business Day[s]] before each Optional Redemption Date (Put)].
- (iv) Specified Time for the purposes of the Calculation Agent, the Fiscal Agent and Relevant Clearing System receiving the Put Option Notice under General Note Condition 10(e): [For the purposes of General Note Condition 10(d), Specified Time is: *[insert time and place]* / Not Applicable].
22. **Automatic Early Redemption (General Note Condition 10(i)):** [Not Applicable/Applicable]. *(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*
- (i) Applicable Date(s): [●].
- (ii) Automatic Early Redemption Barrier: [●].
- (iii) Automatic Early Redemption Date: [●] [Automatic Early Redemption Date – Share Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)/ Automatic Early Redemption Date – Index Linked Condition 7 (*Definitions*)/ Automatic Early Redemption Date – Commodity Linked Condition 9 (*General Definitions*)] is

applicable].

- (iv) Automatic Early Redemption Amount: [●].

23. **Final Redemption Amount of each Note (General Note Condition 10(a)):** [[●] per Calculation Amount.]

In cases where the Final Redemption Amount is Share Linked, Index Linked, Commodity Linked, Commodity Index Linked, FX Linked or Inflation Linked: *(If Final Redemption Amount is not linked to any Underlying Asset(s), delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*

- Provisions for determining Final Redemption Amount where calculated by reference to Share and/or Index and/or Commodity and/or Commodity Index and/or FX Rate and/or Inflation Index: [[EIS Note Payout Conditions/Note Payout Conditions] apply (see further particulars specified below)/Not Applicable.]

#### FINAL REDEMPTION AMOUNT NOTE PAYOUT CONDITIONS

24. **Delta-One Security (Note Payout Condition 2(a)):** [Not Applicable / Applicable].

- Reference Price (Initial): [Initial Closing Price/Initial Price] of the Underlying Asset.

25. **BRL FX Note Conditions (Note Payout Condition 2(b)(i)):** [Not Applicable / Applicable].

26. **FX Note Conditions (Note Payout Condition 2(b)(ii)):** [Not Applicable / Applicable].

27. **Physical Settlement (General Note Condition 12(a)):** [Applicable/Not Applicable].

*(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*

- (i) Physical Settlement Date: [●].
- (ii) Physical Settlement Cut-off Date: [Default Physical Settlement Cut-off Date / [●] (specify date)].
- (iii) Deliverable Assets: [●] Shares.
- (iv) Fractional Cash Amount: [As specified in General Note Condition 2(a) / [●] (specify amount)/Not Applicable].
- (v) Physical Settlement Disruption Amount: [●].
- (vi) Holder's Election for Physical Settlement (General Note Condition 13(b)): [Applicable/Not Applicable].

28. **Non-scheduled Early Repayment Amount:** [Par] [Only specify par for Notes not linked to Underlying Asset(s)] [Fair Market Value] [per

EIS Note Payout Condition].

- Adjusted for any reasonable [Applicable / Not Applicable].  
expenses and costs:

**SHARE LINKED NOTE / INDEX LINKED NOTE / COMMODITY LINKED NOTE / FX LINKED NOTE / INFLATION LINKED NOTE**

**29. Type of Notes:**

The Notes are [Share Linked Notes – the Share Linked Conditions are applicable / Index Linked Notes – the Index Linked Conditions are applicable / linked to the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract (as defined in paragraph 8 above). The Notes are also Index Linked Notes – the Index Linked Conditions are applicable / Commodity Linked Notes – the Commodity Linked Conditions are applicable / FX Linked Notes – the FX Linked Conditions are applicable / Inflation Linked Notes – the Inflation Linked Conditions are applicable / EIS Notes – the EIS Note Payout Conditions and the Share Linked Conditions are applicable (*Specify which Underlying Asset Conditions are applicable*)].

**[UNDERLYING ASSET TABLE]**

Underlying Asset	Bloomberg / Reuters	[ISIN] ( <i>specify if Underlying Asset is a Share</i> )	[Exchange / Index Sponsor]	[Reference Price (Initial)] ( <i>specify if applicable</i> )
[The shares of the [Name of Share(s) / Exchange Traded Fund(s) / Index(ices) / Commodity(ies) / Commodity Index(ices) / FX Rate(s) / Inflation Index(ices)] [(the /each an "Exchange Traded Fund") (repeat as required)]	[●] ( <i>repeat as required</i> )	[●] ( <i>repeat as required</i> )	[●] ( <i>repeat as required</i> )	[●] ( <i>repeat as required</i> )

**30. Share Linked Notes:**

[Applicable / Not Applicable/Applicable, subject to and in accordance with EIS Note Payout Conditions].

*[If Not Applicable or if applicable only for EIS Notes, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph.]*

- (i) Single Share or Share Basket:

[Single Share [, being a Share of an Exchange Traded Fund] / Share Basket].

- (ii) Name of Share(s):

The shares of: [Name of Share(s) / the Exchange Traded Fund] (Bloomberg: [●]; ISIN: [●]).

*[If the Share is the shares of an Exchange Traded Fund, insert the following sub-*

		<i>paragraph of this paragraph.]</i>
	[– Exchange Fund[s]:]	Traded [Name of Share(s)/Exchange Traded Fund(s)] (Bloomberg: [●]; ISIN: [●])
(iii)	Exchange(s):	[●].
(iv)	Related Exchange(s):	[[●] / All Exchanges].
(v)	Options Exchange:	[[●] / Related Exchange].
(vi)	Valuation Time:	[Default Valuation Time / Other (specify time)].
(vii)	Initial Share Price:	[Not Applicable / Applicable].
(viii)	Initial Closing Share Price:	[Not Applicable / Applicable].
(ix)	Single Share and Reference Dates - Consequences of Disrupted Days:	[Applicable - as specified in Share Linked Condition [●] / Not Applicable].
	(a) Maximum Days of Disruption:	[As specified in Share Linked Condition [●]/ Other ( <i>specify</i> ) / Not Applicable].
	(b) No Adjustment:	[Not Applicable / Applicable].
(x)	Single Share and Averaging Reference Dates - Consequences of Disrupted Days:	[Applicable - as specified in Share Linked Condition [●] / Not Applicable].
	(a) Omission:	[Not Applicable / Applicable].
	(b) Postponement:	[Not Applicable / Applicable].
	(c) Modified Postponement:	[Not Applicable / Applicable].
	(d) Maximum Days of Disruption:	[As specified in Share Linked Condition [●]/ Other ( <i>specify</i> ) / Not Applicable].
(xi)	Share Basket and Reference Dates –Basket Valuation (Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day):	[Applicable - as specified in Share Linked Condition [●] / Not Applicable].
	(a) Maximum Days of Disruption:	[As defined in Share Linked [●]/ Other ( <i>specify</i> ) / Not Applicable].
	(b) No Adjustment:	[Not Applicable / Applicable].
(xii)	Share Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day):	[Applicable - as specified in Share Linked Condition [●] / Not Applicable].
	(a) Omission:	[Not Applicable / Applicable].
	(b) Postponement:	[Not Applicable / Applicable].

- (c) Modified Postponement: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (d) Maximum Days of Disruption: [As specified in Share Linked Condition [●]/ Other (*specify*) / Not Applicable].
- (e) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xiii) Share Basket and Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Common Scheduled Trading Day but Individual Disrupted Day): [Applicable - as specified in Share Linked Condition [●] / Not Applicable].
- (a) Maximum Days of Disruption: [As specified in Share Linked Condition [●]/ Other (*specify*) / Not Applicable].
- (b) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xiv) Fallback Valuation Date: [Not Applicable / Applicable, in respect of [Valuation Date/Initial Valuation Date/Final Valuation Date/*specify date(s)*], the Fallback Valuation Date is [*specify date(s)*] / Default Fallback Valuation Date is applicable in respect of [Valuation Date/Initial Valuation Date/Final Valuation Date/*specify date(s)*]].
- (xv) Observation Period: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (a) Observation Period Start Date: [[●] / Not Applicable].
- (b) Observation Period End Date: [[●] / Not Applicable].
- (c) Observation Date (closing valuation): [Applicable – as specified in Share Linked Condition [●]/ Not Applicable].
- (d) Observation Date (intra-day valuation): [Applicable – as specified in Share Linked Condition [●]/ Not Applicable].
- (xvi) Change in Law: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (xvii) Extraordinary Event - Share Substitution: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xviii) Additional Disruption Events: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xix) Correction of Share Price: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xx) Correction Cut-off Date: [Not Applicable.]
- [Default Correction Cut-off Date is applicable in respect of: [Valuation Date/Initial Valuation Date/*specify date(s)*].]
- [In respect of [Valuation Date/Initial Valuation Date/*specify date(s)*], [[*insert number*] Business Days prior to the Maturity Date / [●] (*specify date(s)*)].]

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| (xxi) | Depository Receipts Provisions:                      | [Not Applicable / Applicable].  |
| (a)   | Depository Receipts:                                 | [●].  |
| (b)   | Underlying Shares:                                   | [[●] /As specified in Share Linked Condition 5.1(a)].                                     |
| (c)   | Underlying Share Issuer:                             | [[●] /As specified in Share Linked Condition 5.1(a)].                                     |
| (d)   | Exchange(s) in respect of Underlying Shares:         | [[●] /As specified in Share Linked Condition 5.1(c)].                                     |
| (e)   | Related Exchange(s) in respect of Underlying Shares: | [[●] /As specified in Share Linked Condition 5.1(c)].                                     |
| (f)   | Valuation Time in respect of Underlying Shares:      | [As specified in Share Linked Condition 5.1(c)/ Other ( <i>specify time and place</i> )]. |
31. **Index Linked Notes:** [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- [If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph.]*
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|--------|---|--|
| (i)    | Single Index or Index Basket:                 | [Single Index / Index Basket].   |
| (ii)   | Name of Index(ices):                          | [ <i>Name of Index(ices)</i> (Bloomberg Code: [●], ISIN: [●])] [(the " <b>Index</b> ")]. |
| (iii)  | Type of Index:                                | [Unitary Index / Multi-Exchange Index].  |
| (iv)   | Exchange(s):                                  | [●].   |
| (v)    | Related Exchange(s):                          | [[●] / All Exchanges].   |
| (vi)   | Options Exchange:                             | [[●] / Related Exchange].  |
| (vii)  | Index Sponsor:                                | [●].   |
| (viii) | Valuation Time:                               | [Default Valuation Time / Other ( <i>specify time</i> )].                                |
| (ix)   | Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions: | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
| (a)    | Index-Linked Derivatives Contract:            | [ <i>Specify</i> ].  |
| (b)    | Derivatives Exchange:                         | [ <i>Specify</i> ].  |
| (c)    | Daily Settlement Price:                       | [Not Applicable / As specified in Index Linked Condition 7 / Other ( <i>Specify</i> )].  |
| (d)    | Final Settlement Price:                       | [Not Applicable / As specified in Index Linked Condition 7 / Other ( <i>Specify</i> )].  |
| (e)    | Index Multiplier:                             | [Not Applicable / ( <i>Specify</i> )].   |
| (f)    | Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Price:      | [Not Applicable / As specified in Index Linked Condition 7 / Other ( <i>Specify</i> )].  |



- (g) Special Quotation Price: [Not Applicable / As specified in Index Linked Condition 7 / Other (*Specify*)].
- (h) Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions – Adjustments: [Applicable – as specified in Index Linked Condition 6.3[(a)]/[(b)] / Not Applicable / Other (*Specify*)]
- (x) Initial Index Level: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xi) Initial Closing Index Level: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xii) Single Index and Reference Dates - Consequences of Disrupted Days: [Applicable - as specified in Index Linked Condition 1.1 / *[where the Underlying Asset is an Index-Linked Derivatives Contract]* Applicable only if the Final Reference Price is the Final Index Level, pursuant to [paragraph 23 (*Final Redemption Amount of each Note*) above], in which case, as specified in Index Linked Condition 1.1 / Not Applicable / Not Applicable – Index Linked Condition 6.3(b) applies (*if the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions are applicable*)].
- (a) Maximum Days of Disruption: [As specified in Index Linked Condition 7 / *[where the Underlying Asset is an Index-Linked Derivatives Contract]* In respect of the Valuation Date, [eight] Scheduled Trading Days / Other (*specify*) / Not Applicable].
- (b) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xiii) Single Index and Averaging Reference Dates - Consequences of Disrupted Days: [Applicable - as specified in Index Linked Condition 1.2 / Not Applicable / Not Applicable – Index Linked Condition 6.3(b) applies (*if the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions are applicable*)].
- (a) Omission: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (b) Postponement: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (c) Modified Postponement: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (d) Maximum Days of Disruption: [As specified in Index Linked Condition 7 / Other (*specify*) / Not Applicable].
- (e) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xiv) Index Basket and Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day): [Applicable - as specified in Index Linked Condition 1.3 / Not Applicable / Not Applicable – Index Linked Condition 6.3(b) applies (*if the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions are applicable*)].
- (a) Maximum Days of Disruption: [As defined in Index Linked Condition 7 / Other (*specify*) / Not Applicable].

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|         | (b) No Adjustment:   | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
| (xv)    | Index Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Individual Scheduled Trading Day and Individual Disrupted Day): | [Applicable – as specified in Index Linked Condition 1.4 / Not Applicable / Not Applicable – Index Linked Condition 6.3(b) applies ( <i>if the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions are applicable</i> )].   |
|         | (a) Omission:  | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
|         | (b) Postponement:  | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
|         | (c) Modified Postponement:   | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
|         | (d) Maximum Days of Disruption:  | [As defined in Index Linked Condition 7 / Other ( <i>specify</i> ) / Not Applicable].  |
|         | (e) No Adjustment:   | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
| (xvi)   | Index Basket and Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Common Scheduled Trading Day but Individual Disrupted Day):               | [Applicable - as specified in Index Linked Condition 1.5 / Not Applicable / Not Applicable – Index Linked Condition 6.3(b) applies ( <i>if the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions are applicable</i> )].   |
|         | (a) Maximum Days of Disruption:  | [As defined in Index Linked Condition 7 / Other ( <i>specify</i> ) / Not Applicable].  |
|         | (b) No Adjustment:   | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
| (xvii)  | Index Basket and Reference Dates – Basket Valuation (Common Scheduled Trading Day and Common Disrupted Day):                   | [Applicable - as specified in Index Linked Condition 1.6 / Not Applicable / Not Applicable – Index Linked Condition 6.3(b) applies ( <i>if the Index-Linked Derivatives Contract Provisions are applicable</i> )].   |
|         | (a) Maximum Days of Disruption:  | [As defined in Index Linked Condition 7 / Other ( <i>specify</i> ) / Not Applicable].  |
|         | (b) No Adjustment:   | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
| (xviii) | Fallback Valuation Date:   | [Not Applicable / Applicable, in respect of [Valuation Date/Initial Valuation Date/Final Valuation Date/ <i>specify date(s)</i> ], the Fallback Valuation Date is [ <i>specify date(s)</i> ] / Default Fallback Valuation Date is applicable in respect of [Valuation Date/Initial Valuation Date/Final Valuation Date/ <i>specify date(s)</i> ]]. |
| (xix)   | Observation Period:  | [Not Applicable / Applicable].   |
|         | (a) Observation Period Start Date:   | [[●] / Not Applicable].  |

- (b) Observation Period End Date: [[●] / Not Applicable].
- (c) Observation Date (closing valuation): [Applicable – as specified in Index Linked Condition [●]/ Other (*specify*) / Not Applicable].
- (d) Observation Date (intra-day valuation): [Applicable – as specified in Index Linked Condition [●] / Other (*specify*) / Not Applicable].
- (xx) Index Modification: [Calculation Agent Adjustment / Related Exchange Adjustment].
- (xxi) Index Cancellation: [Calculation Agent Adjustment / Related Exchange Adjustment].
- (xxii) Index Disruption: [Calculation Agent Adjustment / Related Exchange Adjustment].
- (xxiii) Change in Law: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (xxiv) Correction of Index Level: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xxv) Correction Cut-off Date: [Not Applicable.]
- [Default Correction Cut-off Date is applicable in respect of: [Valuation Date/Initial Valuation Date/*specify date(s)*].]
- [In respect of [Valuation Date/Initial Valuation Date/*specify date(s)*], [[*insert number*] Business Days prior to the Maturity Date / [●] (*specify date(s)*)].] (*where the Underlying Asset is an Index-Linked Derivatives Contract*) [In respect of the Valuation Date, the second Business Day prior to the Maturity Date / *specify date(s)*].
- (xxvi) Index Disclaimer: [Applicable to an Index/Not Applicable].
32. **Commodity Linked Notes (Single Commodity or Commodity Basket):** [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- [*If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph.*]
- (i) Single Commodity or Commodity Basket: [Single Commodity / Commodity Basket].
- (ii) Name of Commodity (ies): [*Name of Commodity(ies)* (Bloomberg Code(s): [●])].
- (iii) Commodity Reference Price(s): [[*insert relevant Commodity Reference Price*], as specified in Commodity Linked Condition 10 / Commodity Reference Price Framework Determination is applicable].
- (iv) Initial Commodity Price: [Not Applicable / Applicable].

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- (v) Initial Commodity Reference Price: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (vi) Trading Facility: [[●] / As specified in the Commodity Reference Price].
- (vii) Unit: [*Specify unit of measure of the Relevant Commodity*].
- (viii) Delivery Date: [●].
- (ix) Specified Price: [As specified in the Commodity Reference Price / high price / low price / average of high price and low price / closing price / opening price / bid price / asked price / average of bid price and asked price / official settlement price / official price / morning fixing / afternoon fixing / spot price].
- (x) Price Source / Relevant Screen Page: [●].
- (xi) Price Materiality Percentage in respect of Price Source Disruption: [Not Applicable / [●]].
- (xii) Single Commodity and Pricing Dates – Consequences of Disrupted Days: [Applicable – as specified in Commodity Linked Condition 1.1 - the ordinal number in brackets specifies the order in which such Disruption Fallbacks shall apply / Not Applicable].
  - (a) Calculation Agent Determination: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
  - (b) Delayed Publication or Announcement: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
  - (c) Fallback Reference Dealers: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
    - Reference Dealers for purpose of "Commodity Reference Dealers": [●].
  - (d) Fallback Reference Price: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
    - alternate Commodity Reference Price: [●].
  - (e) Postponement: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].

- Maximum Days of Disruption: [As specified in Commodity Linked Condition 9 / Other (*specify number of Scheduled Commodity Business Days*)].
- (f) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xiii) Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Basket Valuation (Individual Scheduled Commodity Business Day and Individual Disrupted Day): [Applicable – as specified in Commodity Linked Condition 1.2 - the ordinal number in brackets specifies the order in which such Disruption Fallbacks shall apply / Other (*specify number of Scheduled Commodity Business Days*) / Not Applicable].
  - (a) Calculation Agent Determination: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
  - (b) Delayed Publication or Announcement: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
  - (c) Fallback Reference Dealers: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
    - Reference Dealers for purpose of "Commodity Reference Dealers": [●].
  - (d) Fallback Reference Price: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
    - alternate Commodity Reference Price: [●].
  - (e) Postponement: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
    - Maximum Days of Disruption: [As specified in Commodity Linked Condition 9 / Other (*specify number of Scheduled Commodity Business Days*)].
  - (f) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xiv) Commodity Basket and Pricing Dates – Basket Valuation (Common Scheduled Commodity Business Day but Individual Disrupted Day): [Applicable – as specified in Commodity Linked Condition 1.3 - the ordinal number in brackets specifies the order in which such Disruption Fallbacks shall apply / Not Applicable].
  - (a) Calculation Agent Determination: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
  - (b) Delayed Publication or Announcement: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
  - (c) Fallback Reference Dealers: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].

- Reference Dealers for purpose of "Commodity Reference Dealers": [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
- (d) Fallback Reference Price: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
- alternate Commodity Reference Price: [●].
- (e) Postponement: [Not Applicable / Applicable – [first / second / third / fourth]].
- Maximum Days of Disruption: [As specified in Commodity Linked Condition [●] / Other (*specify number of Scheduled Commodity Business Days*)].
- (f) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xv) Correction of Commodity Reference Price: [Not Applicable / Applicable – as specified in Commodity Linked Condition 3].
- (xvi) Correction Cut-off Date: [Not Applicable.]
- [Default Correction Cut-off Date is applicable in respect of: [Valuation Date/Initial Valuation Date/*specify date(s)*].]
- [In respect of [Valuation Date/Initial Valuation Date/*specify date(s)*], *[[insert number] Business Days prior to the Maturity Date / [●] (specify date(s))*].]
- (xvii) Fallback Pricing Date: [Not Applicable / *specify date(s)*].
- 33. **Commodity Linked Notes (Commodity Index):** [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- [If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph.]
- (i) Commodity Index: [Commodity Index].
- (ii) Name of Commodity Index: [*Name of Commodity Index* (Bloomberg Code(s): [●])].
- (iii) Commodity Index Sponsor: [●].
- (iv) Initial Commodity Index Level: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (v) Initial Commodity Index Closing Level: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (vi) Single Commodity Index and Valuation Dates: [Applicable - as specified in Commodity Linked Condition [5]/ Not Applicable].
- Maximum Days of Disruption: [As defined in Commodity Linked Condition [9] / Other (*specify number of Scheduled*

*Commodity Trading Days*).

34. **FX Linked Notes:** [Applicable / Not Applicable]. *(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining subparagraphs of this paragraph)*
- (i) Single FX Rate or FX Rate Basket: [Single FX Rate / FX Rate Basket].
  - (ii) Name of FX Rate(s): [Currency Price / EUR/USD FX Rate and the USD/BRL FX Rate].
  - (iii) Specified Rate: [Official fixing rate / Official mid closing rate / Spot rate / Mid rate / Fixing rate]
  - (iv) Initial Currency Price: [Not Applicable / Applicable [, being [●]]].
  - (v) Fixing Day: [Publication Fixing Day / Transaction Fixing Day] on which no FX Disruption Event has occurred or is continuing.
  - (vi) Non-Default FX Business Day for euro: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
  - (vii) Fixing Price Sponsor: [●].
  - (viii) Valuation Time: [[●] (*specify*)].
  - (ix) Single FX Rate and Reference Dates - Consequences of non-Fixing Days: [Applicable – as specified in FX Linked Condition 1.1 / Not Applicable].
    - (a) Maximum Days of Postponement: [As specified in FX Linked Condition 3 / Other (*specify*) / Not Applicable].
    - (b) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
  - (x) Single FX Rate and Averaging Reference Dates - Consequences of non-Fixing Days: [Applicable - as specified in FX Linked Condition 1.2 / Not Applicable].
    - (a) Omission: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
    - (b) Postponement: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
    - (c) Modified Postponement: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
    - (d) Maximum Days of Postponement: [As specified in FX Linked Condition 3 / Other (*specify*) / Applicable].
    - (e) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
  - (xi) FX Rate Basket and Reference Dates – Individual Fixing Day: [Applicable - as specified in FX Linked Condition 1.3 / Not Applicable].
    - (a) Maximum Days of Postponement: [As defined in FX Linked Condition 3 / Other (*specify*) / Not Applicable].
    - (b) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].

- (xii) FX Rate Basket and Averaging Reference Dates – Individual Fixing Day: [Applicable - as specified in FX Linked Condition 1.4 / Not Applicable].
  - (a) Omission: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
  - (b) Postponement: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
  - (c) Modified Postponement: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
  - (d) Maximum Days of Postponement: [As defined in FX Linked Condition 3 / Other (*specify*) / Not Applicable].
  - (e) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xiii) FX Rate Basket and Reference Dates – Common Fixing Day: [Applicable - as specified in FX Linked Condition 1.5 / Not Applicable].
  - (a) Maximum Days of Postponement: [As defined in FX Linked Condition 3 / Other (*specify*) / Not Applicable].
  - (b) No Adjustment: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
- (xiv) Observation Period: [Not Applicable / Applicable].
  - (a) Observation Period Start Date and Time: [[●] / Not Applicable].
  - (b) Observation Period End Date and Time: [[●] / Not Applicable].
  - (c) Barrier Event Determination Date: [Applicable – as specified in FX Linked Condition 3 / Other (*specify*) / Not Applicable].
  - (d) Spot Exchange Rate: [Applicable – as specified in FX Linked Condition 3 / Other (*specify*) / Not Applicable].
  - (e) Currency Pair: [Not Applicable / Reference Currency is [●] and Base Currency is [●]].
- (vii) BRL FX Note Conditions (FX Linked Condition 2): [Applicable / Not Applicable].
  - Specified Day(s) for the definition of "Last Deferred Day" (FX Linked Condition 2.1): [[●] / Not Applicable].
  - Specified Day(s) for the definition of "Maximum Period of Postponement End Date" (FX Linked Condition 2.2): [[●] / Not Applicable].
- 35. **Inflation Linked Notes:** [Applicable / Not Applicable].
  - (i) Single Inflation Index or Inflation Index Basket: [Single Inflation Index / Inflation Index Basket].



- (ii) Name of Inflation Index / Indices: [*Name of Inflation Index / Indices* (Bloomberg Code(s): [●])].
- (iii) Inflation Index Sponsor: [●].
- (iv) Initial Inflation Index Level: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (v) Observation Date(s): [Five Business Days prior to any payment date as specified in Inflation Linked Condition [●] (*Definitions*) / Other (*specify other number of Business Days prior to any payment date*)].
- (vi) Change in Law: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (vii) Initial Reference Month: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (viii) Final Reference Month: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- (ix) Relevant Reference Month: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
- 36. **EIS Notes:** [Applicable / Not Applicable].
  - (i) EIS Automatic Early Redemption: [Applicable / Not Applicable].
  - (ii) Preference Shares: [Class [●] *Name of preference shares* (Bloomberg Code(s): [●])].

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO THE NOTES

- 37. **FX Disruption Event/CNY FX Disruption Event (General Note Condition 13):** FX Disruption Event is applicable to the Notes, General Note Condition 13 and FX Linked Condition 3 shall apply/CNY FX Disruption Event is applicable to the Notes, General Note Condition 13 and FX Linked Condition 3 shall apply/Not Applicable].  
  
*(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*
  - (i) Base Currency: [Settlement Currency/[●] (*specify other currency*)].
  - (ii) Reference Currency: [[●]/Not Applicable].
  - (iii) Reference Country: [[●]/Not Applicable].
  - (iv) CNY Financial Centre(s): [[●]/Not Applicable]
  - (v) USD/CNY Exchange Rate: [As specified in FX Linked Condition 3/Not Applicable].
    - (a) Fixing Price Sponsor: [●] [Not Applicable]
    - (b) Valuation Time: [[●]/Not Applicable].
  - (v) USD/Affected Currency Exchange Rate: [As specified in FX Linked Condition 3/Not Applicable] *(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*

- (a) Affected Currency: [Settlement Currency/Reference Currency/[●]].
- (b) Fixing Price Sponsor: [[●]/Not Applicable].
- (c) Valuation Time: [[●]/Not Applicable].
- (d) FX Disruption Event Cut-off Date (General Note Condition 2(a)): [Default FX Disruption Event Cut-off Date / Specified Day(s): [●] Business Day[s]/calendar day[s]].
- (e) Adjusted Affected Payment Date (General Note Condition 2(a)): [Default Adjusted Affected Payment Date / Specified Day(s): [●] [Business Day[s]/calendar day[s]].
- (f) Affected Payment Cut-off Date (General Note Condition 2(a)): [Default Affected Payment Cut-off Date / Specified Day(s): [●] [Business Day[s]/calendar day[s]].
- (vi) Trade Date: [[●]/Not Applicable].
- (vii) Settlement Currency: [[●] / Specified Currency].

**38. Rounding (General Note Condition 22):**

- (a) Non-Default Rounding – calculation values and percentages: [Applicable / Not Applicable]. *(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraph of this paragraph)*
  - Specified Decimal Place: [Fractional Entitlement / Rate / DCF / BRL FX (IPD) / FX (IPD) / BRL FX (Final) / FX (Final) / Reference Price (Final) / Reference Price (Initial)/ *specify other calculation value or percentage*]: rounded to [*insert number*] decimal place.
- (b) Non-Default Rounding – amounts due and payable: [Applicable / Not Applicable]. *(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraph of this paragraph)*
  - Specified Sub-Unit: [[All amounts due and payable/Final Redemption Amount/Interest Amount/Fixed Coupon Amount/Automatic Early Redemption Amount/ Optional Redemption Amount (Call) / Optional Redemption Amount (Put): rounded [downwards/upwards] to next [higher/lower] [●] ] (*Specified Sub-Unit of relevant currency*)].
- (c) Other Rounding Convention: [Applicable / Not Applicable]. *(If Not Applicable, delete the remaining sub-paragraphs of this paragraph)*
  - (i) Specified Decimal Place: [Not Applicable / [Rate of Interest / Margin / Participation Rate /*specify other amount*]: rounded to [*insert number*] decimal place].
  - (ii) Specified Sub-Unit: [Not Applicable/*specify amount*]: rounded [downwards/upwards] to next [higher/lower] [*insert number*] (*Specified Sub-Unit of relevant*

- currency*)].
39. **Additional Business Centre(s):** *[[●] (Specify such place(s) as may be relevant. Definition of Business Day in General Note Condition 2(a) includes Principal Financial Centre of the relevant currency of payment)/Not Applicable].*
- Non-Default Business Day: [Applicable/Not Applicable].
40. **Form of Notes:** [Registered Notes].
- [Individual Note Certificates].
- [Global Registered Note exchangeable for Individual Note Certificates [in the limited circumstances described in the Global Registered Note]].
- [Euroclear Finland Registered Notes/Euroclear France Registered Notes/Euroclear Sweden Registered Notes/VPS Registered Notes/ South African Notes].
41. **Additional Financial Centre(s) relating to Payment Business Days:** [Not Applicable/[●] (*Specify any Additional Financial Centre for the purposes of the definition of "Payment Business Day". Note that this paragraph relates to the date and place of payment, and not interest period end dates, to which sub-paragraphs 17(ii) and 17(iv) relate*)].
- Non-Default Payment Business Day: [Applicable/Not Applicable].
42. **Principal Financial Centre:** [As specified in General Note Condition 2(a) / The Principal Financial Centre in relation to *[insert relevant currency]* is *[insert relevant place(s)]*. (*If Non-Default Principal Financial Centre is Applicable, specify the place(s) to be specified as the principal financial centre for the relevant currency*)]
- Non-Default Principal Financial Centre: [Applicable/Not Applicable].
43. **Minimum Trading Number (General Note Condition 5(f)):** *[[●] (specify number)/Not Applicable].*
44. **Permitted Trading Multiple (General Note Condition 5(f)):** *[[●] (specify number)/Not Applicable].*
45. **Record Date (General Note Condition 12):** [Specified Day(s) for the purposes of General Note Condition 12([c/d/g/h]) is: [●] [business day[s]/Business Day[s]/day/Clearing System Business Day[s]]/Not Applicable].

46. **Calculation Agent (General Note** [Goldman Sachs International/[●] (*specify Condition 18*): *other*)].

**[DISTRIBUTION]**

*(If the Notes pay par at redemption and have a denomination of at least EUR 100,000 to which Annex XX (XIII) of the Prospectus Regulation applies, this paragraph must be deleted.)*

47. **Method of distribution:** [Syndicated / Non-syndicated].
- (i) If syndicated, names and addresses of Managers and underwriting commitments: [Not Applicable/give names, addresses and underwriting commitments].
- (Include names and addresses of entities agreeing to underwrite the issue on a firm commitment basis and names and addresses of the entities agreeing to place the issue without a firm commitment or on a "best efforts" basis if such entities are not the same as the Managers.)*
- (ii) Date of Subscription Agreement: [Not Applicable].
- (iii) If non-syndicated, name and address of Dealer: [Not Applicable/give name and address].
48. **Non-exempt Offer:** [Not Applicable] [An offer of the Notes may be made by the Managers [and [*specify, if applicable*]] other than pursuant to Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive in [*specify relevant Member State(s) - which must be jurisdictions where the Base Prospectus and any supplements have been notified*] ("**Public Offer Jurisdictions**") during the period from [*specify date*] until [*specify date*] ("**Offer Period**"). See further paragraph entitled "Terms and Conditions of the Offer" below.]

Signed on behalf of [Goldman Sachs International / Goldman, Sachs & Co. Wertpapier GmbH]:

By: .....

Duly authorised

**OTHER INFORMATION****LISTING AND ADMISSION TO TRADING**

[Application [has been/will be] made by the Issuer (or on its behalf) for the [Warrants/Certificates] to be listed on the Official List and admitted to trading on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange/ NASDAQ OMX Stockholm Stock Exchange/ regulated unofficial market (Freiverkehr) of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange / NDX Nordic Derivatives Exchange / SeDeX market / London Stock Exchange / [●] (*Specify other regulated markets or unregulated markets*) with effect from [the Issue Date/specify other date]] / [Application is expected to be made by the Issuer (or on its behalf) for the [Warrants/Certificates] to be listed on the Official List and admitted to trading on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange/ [●] (*Specify other regulated markets or unregulated markets*) with effect from [the Issue Date/specify other date]] / [Application will be made by the Issuer for the Notes to be listed and admitted to trading on the Interest Rate Market of the JSE Limited] / [The Notes will not be listed or admitted to trading on any exchange].]

[No assurances can be given that such application for listing and admission to trading will be granted (or, if granted, will be granted by the Issue Date)] [The Issuer has no duty to maintain the listing (if any) of the Notes on the relevant stock exchange(s) over their entire lifetime. The Notes may be suspended from trading and/or delisted at any time in accordance with applicable rules and regulations of the relevant stock exchange(s).]

*[Delete if the first sub-paragraph above is not applicable or if the Notes pay par at redemption and have a denomination of at least EUR 100,000 to which Annex XX (XIII) of the Prospectus Regulation applies.]*

**[ESTIMATED TOTAL EXPENSES  
RELATED TO THE ADMISSION TO  
TRADING]**

*[If the Notes pay par at redemption and have a denomination of at least EUR 100,000 to which Annex XX (XIII) of the Prospectus Regulation applies, then insert here the expenses in relation to the admission to trading if applicable.]*

*(Where documenting a fungible issue need to indicate that original Notes are already admitted to trading.)*

**[LIQUIDITY ENHANCEMENT AGREEMENTS] [insert only if applicable]**

*(If the Notes pay par at redemption and have a denomination of at least EUR 100,000 to which Annex XX (XIII) of the Prospectus Regulation applies, then this paragraph should be deleted.)*

*[Name and address of the entities which have a firm commitment to act as intermediaries in secondary trading, providing liquidity through bid and offer rates and description of the main terms of their commitment] / [Not Applicable.]*

**[RATINGS]**

Ratings:

[The Notes to be issued have been rated:

[S & P: [●]]

[Moody's: [●]]

[Fitch: [●]]

[[Other]: [●]]].

*[Need to include a brief explanation of the meaning of the ratings if this has previously been published by the rating provider.]*

*(The above disclosure should reflect the rating allocated to Notes of the type being issued under the Programme generally or, where the issue has been specifically rated, that rating.)*

**[INTERESTS OF NATURAL AND LEGAL PERSONS INVOLVED IN THE ISSUE/OFFER]**

Need to include a description of any interest, including conflicting ones, that is material to the issue/offer, detailing the persons involved and the nature of the interest. May be satisfied by the inclusion of the following statement:

["Save as discussed in the risk factor, "Risks associated with conflicts of interests between Goldman Sachs and purchasers of Securities", so far as the Issuer is aware, no person involved in the offer of the Notes has an interest material to the offer."]

**[REASONS FOR THE OFFER, ESTIMATED NET PROCEEDS AND TOTAL EXPENSES]**

*(If the Notes pay par at redemption and have a denomination of at least EUR 100,000 to which Annex XX (XIII) of the Prospectus Regulation applies, this paragraph should be deleted.)*

(i) Reasons for the offer

[Not applicable/[●]].

*(See "Use of Proceeds" wording in Prospectus – if reasons for offer different from general business use of the Issuer will need to include those reasons here.)*

(ii) Estimated net proceeds:

[Not applicable/[●]].

*(If proceeds are intended for more than one use will need to split out and present in order of priority. If proceeds insufficient to fund all proposed uses state amount and sources of other funding.)*

(iii) Estimated total expenses: [Not applicable/[●]].

*(Include breakdown of expenses)*

*(If the Notes are derivative securities to which Annex XX(XII) of the Prospectus Regulation applies it is only necessary to include disclosure of net proceeds and total expenses at (ii) and (iii) above where disclosure is included at (i) above.)*

**[Fixed Rate Notes only – YIELD]**

Indication of yield: The yield is [●].

**[Floating Rate Notes only - HISTORIC INTEREST RATES]**

Details of historic [LIBOR/EURIBOR/other] rates can be obtained from [Reuters].]

**[PERFORMANCE AND VOLATILITY OF THE UNDERLYING ASSET]**

*(If the Notes pay par at redemption and have a denomination of at least EUR 100,000 to which Annex XX (XIII) of the Prospectus Regulation applies, then there is no requirement to include details of where past and further performance and volatility of the Underlying Asset can be obtained – otherwise include the relevant details here.)*

**OPERATIONAL INFORMATION**

Any Clearing System(s) other than Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. and Clearstream Banking, société anonyme and the relevant identification number(s): [Not Applicable/Euroclear France/VPS/Euroclear Sweden/Euroclear Finland/[●] (*specify other, give name(s), address(es) and number(s)*)]

Delivery: Delivery [against/free of] payment.

Names and addresses of additional Paying Agent(s) (if any): [Not applicable/[●] (*specify*)].

Operational contact(s) for Fiscal Agent: [Not applicable/[●] (*specify*)].

Intended to be held in a manner which would allow Eurosystem eligibility: [Yes/No].

**[TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE OFFER]**

*(If the Notes pay par at redemption and have a denomination of at least EUR 100,000 to which Annex XX (XIII) of the Prospectus Regulation applies, then this paragraph should be deleted.)*

[Offer Period: An offer of the Notes may be made by the managers other than pursuant to Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive in the Public Offer Jurisdictions during the period commencing on (and including) [●] and ending on (and including) [●].

Offer Price: [Issue Price/[●] (*specify*)].

Conditions to which the offer is subject: [The offer of the Notes for sale to the public in the Public Offer Jurisdiction(s) are subject to the relevant regulatory approvals having been

	granted, and the Notes being issued/Not Applicable/[●] ( <i>give details</i> )).
Description of the application process:	[Not Applicable/[●] ( <i>give details</i> )).
Description of possibility to reduce subscriptions and manner for refunding excess amount paid by applicants:	[Not Applicable/[●] ( <i>give details</i> )).
Details of the minimum and/or maximum amount of application:	[The maximum number of Notes to be issued is [●]/Not Applicable/[●] ( <i>give details</i> )).
Details of the method and time limits for paying up and delivering the Notes:	[The Notes will be issued on the Issue Date against payment to the Issuer of the net subscription moneys/Not Applicable/[●] ( <i>give details</i> )).
Manner in and date on which results of the offer are to be made public:	[The results of the offering will be available on the website of [the Issuer/ <i>specify other</i> ] on or around the end of the Offer Period/Not Applicable/[●] ( <i>give details</i> )).
Procedure for exercise of any right of pre-emption, negotiability of subscription rights and treatment of subscription rights not exercised:	[Not Applicable/[●] ( <i>give details</i> )).
Whether tranche(s) have been reserved for certain countries:	[Not Applicable/[●] ( <i>give details</i> )).
Process for notification to applicants of the amount allotted and the indication whether dealing may begin before notification is made:	[Not Applicable/[●] ( <i>give details</i> )).
Amount of any expenses and taxes specifically charged to the subscriber or purchaser:	[Not Applicable/[●] ( <i>give details</i> )).
Name(s) and address(es), to the extent known to the Issuer, of the placers in the various countries where the offer takes place:	[None/[●] <i>give details</i> ].

#### **Consent to use the Base Prospectus**

Identity of financial intermediary(ies) that are allowed to use the Base Prospectus:	[ <i>insert name and address of any financial intermediary which has consent to use the Base Prospectus</i> ]
Offer period during which subsequent resale or final placement of Notes by financial intermediaries can be made:	[ <i>specify</i> ]
Conditions attached to the consent:	[ <i>insert any clear and objective conditions attached to the consent to use the Base Prospectus</i> ]]



**[ANNEX [1]]**

***[If additional information is to be included in accordance with the first two items of Annex XXI of the Prospectus Regulation]***

**[EXAMPLES]**

*The Issuer may, but is not obliged, to include additional information here by way of examples of complex derivatives as referred to in recital 18 of the Prospectus Regulation. For EIS Notes, may (but no obligation to), include examples of potential payouts of the EIS Notes as a function of the value of the applicable Preference Shares.]*

**[ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE UNDERLYING]**

*The Issuer may, but is not obliged, to include additional information here as to additional provisions, not required by the relevant securities note, relating to the Underlying Asset(s) including, if applicable, Index and Commodity Index disclaimer(s).*

*For EIS Notes, may (but no obligation to), include a copy of the completed Part B – Key Terms (variables) (and any other key terms) (see "EIS Note Description – 3 Description of the "Preference Shares Part 2B – Key Terms (variables)" of the Base Prospectus of the Preference Shares to which the EIS Notes are linked.)*

**[ANNEX [2]]**

***[This Annex [2] shall only be included in respect of South African Notes which are listed on the JSE. South African Notes may not be offered or admitted to trading on a Regulated Market in the EU]***

**[ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO SOUTH AFRICAN NOTES**

Last Day to Register: [●] (*specify*).

Books Closed Period: [●] (*specify*).

Additional terms and conditions (including [●] (*specify*).]  
additional disclosure requirements required in  
terms of the Commercial Paper Regulations):

**ISSUE-SPECIFIC SUMMARY OF THE SECURITIES**

*[Insert]*

## FORM OF GUARANTY

**THIS GUARANTY** is made on 24 June 2013 by **THE GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP, INC.**, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Delaware (the "**Guarantor**").

### WHEREAS:

- (A) Goldman Sachs International ("**GSI**") and Goldman, Sachs & Co. Wertpapier GmbH ("**GSW**") (the "**Issuers**" and each an "**Issuer**") have instituted a programme (the "**Programme**") for the issuance of warrants (the "**Warrants**"), certificates (the "**Certificates**", and together with the Warrants, the "**Instruments**") and notes (the "**Notes**", and together with the Warrants and the Certificates, the "**Securities**") in connection with which the Issuers and the Guarantor (a) have prepared an Approved Base Prospectus dated on or about the date hereof (the "**Approved Base Prospectus**", which expression shall include any supplements thereto and any replacement thereof), (b) may (in the case of one or more Issuers) prepare a securities note or separate prospectus for the issuance of any particular Tranche of Securities (each such securities note or separate prospectus, a "**Securities Note**") and (c) have prepared a Private Placement Memorandum dated on or about the date hereof (the "**Private Placement Memorandum**", which expression shall include any supplements thereto and any replacement thereof), and entered into (i) in the case of each Issuer, an amended and restated programme agreement in relation to the Instruments dated 24 June 2013 (the "**Programme Agreement**", which expression shall include any amendments or supplements thereto) with Citigroup Global Markets Deutschland AG as Principal Programme Agent and the other agents named therein; (ii) in the case of each Issuer in relation to Securities issued under the Programme other than EIS Notes which are expressed to be governed under Cayman Islands law, a deed of covenant dated 24 June 2013 (the "**Deed of Covenant**") and, in the case of GSW in relation to EIS Notes which are expressed to be governed under Cayman Islands law issued under the Programme, a deed of covenant governed under Cayman Islands law dated 24 June 2013 (the "**Cayman Deed of Covenant**"); (iii) in the case of each Issuer, an amended and restated agency agreement in relation to the Notes (other than South African Notes issued under the Approved Base Prospectus) dated 24 June 2013 (the "**Agency Agreement**", which expression shall include any amendments or supplements thereto) with Citibank, N.A., London Branch as Fiscal Agent and the other agents named therein; and (iv) in the case of GSI in relation to the Approved Base Prospectus, an agency agreement in relation to South African Notes dated 7 September 2011 (the "**South African Agency Agreement**", which expression shall include any amendments or supplements thereto) with The Standard Bank of South Africa Limited as South African Paying Agent and South African Transfer Agent.
- (B) From time to time the Issuers may (in accordance with (a) the Programme Agreement in relation to Instruments; (b) the Agency Agreement in relation to Notes (other than South African Notes issued under the Approved Base Prospectus); and (c) the South African Agency Agreement (in the case of South African Notes issued under the Approved Base Prospectus)) issue Tranches of Securities under the Programme subject to the terms and conditions described in the Approved Base Prospectus and the Private Placement Memorandum, as the case may be, and the relevant Final Terms and the relevant Pricing Supplement (as applicable).
- (C) The Guarantor has determined to execute this Guaranty of GSI's and GSW's payment obligations in respect of the Securities for the benefit of the Holders from time to time of the Securities.
- (D) Terms defined in the Approved Base Prospectus, the Private Placement Memorandum, the Programme Agreement, the Agency Agreement and the South African Agency Agreement (in the case of South African Notes issued under the Approved Base Prospectus) shall bear the same meaning in this Guaranty.

**THE GUARANTOR** hereby agrees as follows:

1. For value received, the Guarantor hereby unconditionally guarantees to the Holder of each Security the payment obligations of GSI and GSW in accordance with the terms and conditions of (where relevant) the Programme Agreement, the Deed of Covenant, the Cayman

Deed of Covenant, the Agency Agreement, the South African Agency Agreement and the Securities. In the case of failure of GSI and/or GSW punctually to make payment of any Settlement Amount or Redemption Amount, any Interest Amount or any other amount payable under the Terms and Conditions of the Securities, the Guarantor hereby agrees to cause any such payment to be made promptly when and as the same shall become due and payable as if such payment was made by GSI and/or GSW in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Securities. In the case of Securities providing for Physical Settlement, the Guarantor is obligated only to make payment of the Physical Settlement Disruption Amount in lieu of delivering any Deliverable Assets.

2. Any Securities issued by GSI and GSW under the Programme on or after the date hereof shall have the benefit of this Guaranty but shall not have the benefit of any subsequent guaranty by the Guarantor relating to Securities issued by GSI and GSW under the Programme on or after the date of such subsequent guaranty (unless expressly so provided in any such subsequent guaranty).
3. This Guaranty is one of payment and not of collection.
4. The Guarantor hereby waives notice of acceptance of this Guaranty and notice of any obligation or liability to which it may apply, and waives presentment, demand for payment, protest, notice of dishonour or non-payment of any such obligation or liability, suit or the taking of other action by any Holder against, and any notice to, the Issuers, the Guarantor or any other party.
5. The obligations of the Guarantor hereunder will not be impaired or released by (1) any change in the terms of any obligation or liability of GSI and/or GSW under the Programme Agreement, the Deed of Covenant, the Cayman Deed of Covenant (in the case of EIS Notes which are expressed to be governed under Cayman Islands law issued under the Programme), the Agency Agreement, the South African Agency Agreement (in the case of South African Notes issued under the Approved Base Prospectus) or the Securities, (2) the taking or failure to take any action of any kind in respect of any security for any obligation or liability of GSI and/or GSW under the Programme Agreement, the Deed of Covenant, the Cayman Deed of Covenant (in the case of EIS Notes which are expressed to be governed under Cayman Islands law issued under the Programme), the Agency Agreement, the South African Agency Agreement (in the case of South African Notes issued under the Approved Base Prospectus) or the Securities, (3) the exercising or refraining from exercising of any rights against GSI and/or GSW or any other party or (4) the compromising or subordinating of any obligation or liability of GSI and/or GSW under the Programme Agreement, the Deed of Covenant, the Cayman Deed of Covenant (in the case of EIS Notes which are expressed to be governed under Cayman Islands law issued under the Programme), the Agency Agreement, the South African Agency Agreement (in the case of South African Notes issued under the Approved Base Prospectus) or the Securities, including any security therefor.
6. Upon any assignment or delegation of GSI's and/or GSW's rights and obligations under the Securities pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Securities to a partnership, corporation, trust or other organization in whatever form (the "**Substitute Issuer**") that assumes the obligations of GSI and GSW under the Securities by contract, operation of law or otherwise, this Guaranty shall remain in full force and effect and thereafter be construed as if each reference herein to the Issuer was a reference to the Substitute Issuer.
7. The Guarantor may not assign its rights nor delegate its obligations under this Guaranty in whole or in part, except for an assignment and delegation of all the Guarantor's rights and obligations hereunder to another entity in whatever form that succeeds to all or substantially all of the Guarantor's assets and business and that assumes such obligations by contract, operation of law or otherwise. Upon any such delegation and assumption of obligations, the Guarantor shall be relieved of and fully discharged from all obligations hereunder.
8. **THIS GUARANTY SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.**

**THE GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP, INC.**

Form of Guaranty

By:

**Authorized Officer**

## EIS NOTE DESCRIPTION

**This section comprises three parts:**

- 1. Overview of EIS Notes**
- 2. Description of the Preference Share Issuer**
- 3. Description of the Preference Shares**

### 1. OVERVIEW OF EIS NOTES

The EIS Notes are linked to the fair market value of redeemable preference shares (the "**Preference Shares**") of a particular class to be issued from time to time by Goldman Sachs (Cayman) Limited ("**GSCL**"). In particular, the return on, and amount payable under, the EIS Notes will depend on the change in the fair market value of the Preference Shares between the initial and the final valuation dates.

The fair market value of the Preference Shares will depend on the redemption amount payable under the Preference Shares. The redemption amount of the Preference Shares will be a particular payout formula, and will be dependent on the performance of an underlying asset (the "**Preference Share Underlying**"). The Preference Share Underlying may be any asset, including but not limited to, shares, indices, currencies, commodities, fund units or any other underlying asset specified in the Specific Terms and Conditions of the Preference Shares.

If Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption applies in relation to the applicable Preference Shares, the EIS Notes will redeem early following a Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Event and the redemption amount payable on the EIS Notes will depend on the fair market value of the Preference Share on the valuation date under the terms and conditions of the Preference Shares (the "**Preference Share Terms and Conditions**") on which the Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Event occurred.

Potential purchasers of EIS Notes should ensure that they understand the nature of the Preference Shares to which the EIS Notes are linked. The Preference Share Terms and Conditions will be made available to investors upon request to the relevant Issuer or Dealer.

### 2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERENCE SHARE ISSUER

*The following information is provided in respect of Goldman Sachs (Cayman) Limited.*

#### **General**

GSCL was incorporated as a limited liability company under the laws of the Cayman Islands in the Cayman Islands, on September 25, 2012 to exist for an unlimited duration. GSCL was registered at the Register of Companies Cayman Islands under registered number 271943 and has its registered offices at Maples Corporate Services Limited, PO Box 309, Ugland House, Grand Cayman, KY1-1104, Cayman Islands (telephone number +49 69 7532 1242).

#### **Shareholding**

The Authorised Share Capital of GSCL is U.S.\$ 250 divided into 250 ordinary shares of a par value of U.S.\$ 1.00 each and GBP 20,000 divided into 200,000 preference shares of a par value of GBP 0.10 each of which, as of the date of this Base Prospectus, only 250 ordinary shares (the "**Issued Ordinary Shares**") and 1,700 preference shares (the "**Issued Preference Shares**") have been issued. The Issued Ordinary Shares and the Issued Preference Shares are held by Goldman Sachs International ("**GSI**"), a private unlimited company in England and Wales, which is in turn 99% held by Goldman Sachs Holdings (U.K.) an unlimited liability company incorporated under the laws of England and 1% Goldman Sachs Group Holdings (U.K.), an unlimited liability company incorporated under the laws of England. Goldman Sachs Group Holdings (U.K.) also owns 100% of the shares of Goldman Sachs Holdings (U.K.). Goldman Sachs (U.K.) L.L.C. is a U.S. limited liability company established under the laws of the State of Delaware and has 100 per cent shareholding in Goldman Sachs Group Holdings

(U.K.). The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. is a U.S. corporation established under the laws of the State of Delaware and has a 100% interest in Goldman Sachs (U.K.) L.L.C.

### ***Business***

The Articles of GSCL set out the principal objects for which it was established. The objects for which GSCL was established are unrestricted and it has full power and authority to carry out any object not prohibited by the Companies Law (2012) Revision of the Cayman Islands as amended or revised from time to time or any other law of the Cayman Islands. GSCL has been established as a special purpose entity for the purpose of issuing the preference shares.

### ***Assets***

GSCL has no assets other than the issued share capital and the rights to payments due to GSCL pursuant to a swap transaction entered into between GSCL and GSI which provides for payment to GSCL of the redemption amounts owing on the Issued Preference Shares. The obligations of GSCL with respect to the payment on the Issued Preference Shares are obligations of GSCL alone and not of, or guaranteed in any way by any other person.

### ***Administration***

The administrative, management and supervisory bodies of GSCL comprise its board of directors and company secretary. Set forth below are the names and positions of GSCL's directors and secretary:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Function</i>	<i>Business address</i>
Dr. Benon Z. Janos	Director	MesseTurm, Friedrich-Ebert-Anlage 49, 60308 Frankfurt am Main, Germany
Christian Schmitz	Director	MesseTurm, Friedrich-Ebert-Anlage 49, 60308 Frankfurt am Main, Germany

All the directors hold office until removed.

### ***Costs***

GSI has entered into an expenses agreement with GSCL under which, as consideration for GSCL undertaking to issue preference shares from time to time, GSI agrees to meet, among other expenses, any fees and expenses incurred by GSCL in respect of the issuance of the preference shares and the entry into ancillary documents and arrangements in respect thereof.

### ***Financial Statements***

GSCL is not required by Cayman law to publish any financial statements and GSCL has not published and does not intend to publish any financial statements.

## **3. DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES**

### **Part 1 - General**

*The following Part 1 – General is a summary description of certain rights attaching to each class of Goldman Sachs (Cayman) Limited ("GSCL" or the "Company") Preference Shares (each a "Class") which are set out in full in, are subject to, and are qualified in their entirety by reference to, GSCL's Memorandum and Articles of Association and, in relation to each Class of Preference Shares, the applicable Specific Terms and Conditions approved by an authorised GS Signatory or by the resolution of the Board of Directors of GSCL passed in relation to the issue of such Class (together, the "Articles"). Paragraphs in italics are not included in the Articles and contain a summary of certain provisions of Cayman Island law that will be applicable to the Preference Shares.*

### ***Definitions***

For the purposes of the Preference Shares of each Class, unless there is something in the subject or context inconsistent therewith, the following expressions have the following meanings:



<b>Expressions</b>	<b>Meanings</b>
<b>authorised GS Signatory</b>	The person or persons for the time being authorised by resolution of the Board of Directors of GSCL to approve each issuance of Preference Shares and to approve and/or prepare, give, make, sign, execute and deliver, as appropriate, all documentation as is necessary in connection therewith.
<b>applicable Specific Terms and Conditions:</b>	With respect to each Preference Share of each Class, means the Specific Terms and Conditions (or the relevant provisions thereof) which are expressed to be applicable to that Class of Preference Shares and which are approved by the Board of Directors of GSCL or by an authorised GS Signatory.
<b>Class:</b>	A separate class of Preference Shares (and includes any sub-class of any such class).
<b>Directors:</b>	The directors for the time being of the Company.
<b>Early Redemption Amount:</b>	With respect to each Preference Share of each Class redeemed, means the amount payable following a winding up or other return of capital (other than a conversion, redemption or purchase of shares) determined by the Preference Share Calculation Agent in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner to be the fair market value of the relevant Preference Shares immediately prior to such payment (adjusted to account for any reasonable costs and expenses of unwinding any underlying and/or related hedging and funding arrangements).
<b>Holder:</b>	The registered owner of a Preference Share.
<b>Issue Date:</b>	In respect of each Class of Preference Share, means the date specified as such in the applicable Specific Terms and Conditions.
<b>Member:</b>	Has the same meaning as in the Statute.
<b>Ordinary Shares:</b>	The ordinary shares of U.S.\$ 1.00 par value each in the authorised share capital of GSCL.
<b>Preference Share Redemption Amount:</b>	In respect of each Preference Share of each Class redeemed, means the amount payable by GSCL on the Redemption Date or Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Date, as is applicable, in respect of such Preference Share, determined in the manner set out in the applicable Specific Terms and Conditions.
<b>Preference Shares:</b>	Preference shares of any Class in the authorised share capital of GSCL.
<b>Redemption Date:</b>	With respect to each Preference Share of each Class, means the date set out in the applicable Specific Terms and Conditions.
<b>Series:</b>	A separate series of Preference Shares (and includes any sub-series of any such series).
<b>Share and Shares:</b>	A share or shares in the Company and includes a fraction of a share in the Company.
<b>Special Resolution:</b>	A resolution which has been passed by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the members of GSCL being entitled to vote including a unanimous written resolution of such members.

<b>Specific Terms and Conditions:</b>	With respect to a Class of Preference Shares, means the specific terms and conditions adopted and prevailing from time to time in relation to such Class of Preference Shares and setting out the rights attaching thereto, issued by or on behalf of the Directors of GSCL pursuant to Article 5 of the Articles of Association.
<b>Statute:</b>	The Companies Law (2012 Revision) of the Cayman Islands.
<b>Dividends:</b>	The Preference Shares shall carry such rights to receive dividends as are set forth in the Articles.
<b>Capital:</b>	In relation to each Class of Preference Shares, the right (i) on redemption of such Preference Shares, to payment of the applicable Preference Share Redemption Amount per Preference Share in priority to any payment to the holders of Ordinary Shares, such payment to be made pro rata amongst all the Preference Shares of the relevant Class in issue, and (ii) on a winding up of GSCL or other return of capital (other than a conversion, redemption or purchase of shares), to payment, in priority to any payment to the holders of Ordinary Shares, of an amount determined by the Preference Share Calculation Agent in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner to be the fair market value of the relevant Preference Shares immediately prior to such payment (adjusted to account for any reasonable costs and expenses of unwinding any underlying and/or related hedging and funding arrangements), such payment to be made pro rata amongst all the Preference Shares in issue.
<b>Redemption:</b>	<p>The Preference Shares of each Class shall, subject to the provisions of this paragraph and the Articles, be redeemed upon and subject to the following terms and conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) Each Preference Share shall (provided it is fully paid) be redeemed by GSCL by payment of the applicable Preference Share Redemption Amount on the relevant Redemption Date or (if applicable) Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Date, as the case may be, provided however, (if applicable) if a Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Event occurs on a Valuation Date (other than the Final Valuation Date) or upon the valuation of a Preference Share on the Final Valuation Date, the Holder of a Preference Share may, but is not obliged to, request in writing on such Valuation Date or Final Valuation Date, as the case may be, or on any date following such Valuation Date or Final Valuation Date, as the case may be, up to but excluding the Redemption Date (if applicable) or Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Date, as the case may be, that the Redemption Date or (if applicable) Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Date, as the case may be, be deemed to occur on such day and that the Company pay the Preference Share Redemption Amount for settlement in immediately available funds on such day (or, if the request is not received in time on such day to effect transfer on such day, for the next business day in the Cayman Islands).</li><li>(ii) Any Preference Shares redeemed by GSCL shall be cancelled and such Preference Shares shall thereafter be capable of re-issue.</li></ul> <p><i>Section 37 of the Statute provides that, a company limited by shares such as GSCL with redeemable shares, may (if authorised to do so by its articles of association) make payments in respect of a redemption of its own shares from profits, the share premium account or capital</i></p>

*(including any capital redemption reserve) (provided such shares are fully paid). The redeemable shares of a limited company are not capable of being redeemed unless immediately following the date on which the payment out of capital is proposed to be made the company shall be able to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business.*

***Voting rights:***

The Holders of Preference Shares of each Class shall not be entitled to receive notice of, or attend, or vote at any general meeting of GSCL. The rights attaching to the Preference Shares of any Class or Series (unless otherwise provided by the terms of issue of those Preference Shares) may (whether or not GSCL is being wound up) be varied without the consent of the Holders of the issued Preference Shares of that Class or Series where such variation is considered by the Directors, not to have a material adverse effect upon such holders' Share Rights; otherwise, any such variation shall be made only with the prior consent in writing of the holders of not less than two-thirds by par value of such Preference Shares, or with the sanction of a resolution passed by a majority of at least two-thirds of the votes cast in person or by proxy at a separate meeting of the Holders of such Preference Shares. For the avoidance of doubt, the Directors reserve the right, notwithstanding that any such variation may not have a material adverse effect, to obtain consent from the Holders of such Preference Shares. To any such meeting all the provisions of the Articles as to general meetings shall *mutatis mutandis* apply, but so that any Holder of a Preference Share present in person or by proxy may demand a poll, and the quorum for any such meeting shall be Members holding not less than twenty per cent. by par value of the issued Preference Shares of the relevant Class or Series.

***Notices:***

Notices shall be in writing and may be given by GSCL to any Holder of a Preference Share either personally or by sending it by post, cable, telex, fax or e-mail to him or to his address as shown in the Register of Members (or where the notice is given by e-mail by sending it to the e-mail address provided by such Holder). Any notice, if posted from one country to another, is to be sent by airmail. Where a notice is sent by courier, service of the notice shall be deemed to be effected by delivery of the notice to a courier company, and shall be deemed to have been received on the third day (not including Saturdays or Sundays or public holidays) following the day on which the notice was delivered to the courier. Where a notice is sent by post, service of the notice shall be deemed to be effected by properly addressing, pre-paying and posting a letter containing the notice, and shall be deemed to have been received on the fifth day (not including Saturdays or Sundays or public holidays) following the day on which the notice was posted. Where a notice is sent by cable, telex or fax, service of the notice shall be deemed to be effected by properly addressing and sending such notice and shall be deemed to have been received on the same day that it was transmitted. Where a notice is given by e-mail, service shall be deemed to be effected by transmitting the e-mail to the e-mail address provided by the intended recipient and shall be deemed to have been received on the same day that it was sent, and it shall not be necessary for the receipt of the e-mail to be acknowledged by the recipient.

***Form:***

The Preference Shares will be issued in registered form. Title to the Preference Shares will pass by registration of the transferee in the share register. No Share nor any interest in a Share may be transferred by way of mortgage, charge, pledge or otherwise unless the requirements of the Articles are complied with and the Directors (or where authorised, the share registrar and/or the paying agent) consent.

The Directors (or where authorised, the share registrar and/or the paying agent) shall apply the relevant provisions in the Agency Agreement in giving their consent. Any purported transfer made otherwise than in accordance with the Articles and without the Directors', the share registrar's and /or the paying agent's consent shall not be given effect for any purpose, and shall be disregarded by the Company and the paying agent for all purposes. If the Directors or any agent on the Company's behalf decline to register a transfer of any Shares the Directors or such agent shall within 10 Business Days after the date on which the transfer was lodged with the Company send to the transferee a notice of refusal.

***Listing:***

The Preference Shares will not be listed.

***Miscellaneous:***

All amounts payable by GSCL in respect of the Preference Shares will be paid by GSCL or its appointed paying agent to the Holder of record of the relevant Preference Shares. Investors who have not previously reviewed the information contained in the Articles and the relevant Specific Terms and Conditions should do so in connection with their evaluation of any securities issued by GSCL.

## **Part 2 – Specific Terms and Conditions**

*The Preference Shares of the relevant Class shall have attached to them the following rights and obligations in addition to the rights and obligations set out in the Articles.*

### **Part A – Key Terms (constant)**

The following key terms (constant) apply to each Class of Preference Shares subject as supplemented and if applicable amended in Part B – Key Terms (variable):

#### ***Definitions***

Capitalised terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Articles. Capitalised terms in the Articles not defined therein, if not inconsistent with the subject or context, shall have the meaning given to them herein. In addition, if not inconsistent with the subject or context, the expressions set out below shall have the following meanings:

<b>Expressions</b>	<b>Meanings</b>
<b>Articles:</b>	The Memorandum and Articles of Association of GSCL in their form as at the date hereof or from time to time altered and a reference to a numbered "Article" is to the corresponding numbered Article thereof.
<b>Holder:</b>	A person whose name is entered in the Register as a holder of Preference Shares.
<b>Preference Share Issuer:</b>	Goldman Sachs (Cayman) Limited.
<b>Preference Share Calculation Agent:</b>	Goldman Sachs International ("GSI") (or such other entity as may be appointed by the company as such from time to time).
<b>Preference Share Registrar:</b>	Goldman Sachs International ("GSI") (or such other entity as may be appointed by the company as such from time to time).

#### ***Form***

Subject to compliance with "*Restrictions*" below, the Preference Shares shall be issued in registered form on the Issue Date.

### ***Restrictions***

Preference Shares may not be issued or transferred to any person (or persons) resident in the Cayman Islands unless such person (or persons) (i) holds the same in trust and (ii) none of the beneficiaries of such trust are resident in Cayman Islands.

Preference Shares may only be transferred in accordance with the provisions of the Articles and the Master Agency Agreement, dated as of October 11, 2012 (as may be supplemented and/or restated and/or replaced from time to time), among the Company, GSI, as paying agent, GSI, as preference share calculation agent and GSI, as registrar. The Directors may refuse to register any transfer of Preference Shares in their absolute discretion and without giving any reason. Preference Shares may not be offered, sold, transferred or delivered to any US person or to any person who might, in the opinion of the Directors, cause the Company a pecuniary, tax or regulatory disadvantage, or to be in breach of the law or requirements of any country or governmental authority.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Articles, the Holders of the Preference Shares shall, by their purchase of the Preference Shares, be deemed to agree that they shall not seek to vary the terms of the Preference Shares or agree to any such variation without the consent or instructions of the holders of the notes issued by Goldman, Sachs & Co. Wertpapier GmbH linked to the Preference Shares (the "Notes"), save where such variation is determined by the Preference Share Calculation Agent, in its sole discretion, not to be materially adverse to the interests of the holders of the Notes or is for the purpose of curing an ambiguity or correcting a defective provision or manifest error in these Specific Terms and Conditions.

### ***Dividends/Distributions***

The Preference Shares shall carry no rights to receive dividends and the Company is prohibited from declaring or paying any dividends or making any other distributions on the Preference Shares pursuant to the provisions of the Articles.

### ***Redemption***

Subject to the Articles including the exercise of a Company Call or a Holder Put as described below, (i) if Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption is applicable and the Preference Share Calculation Agent determines that a Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Event has occurred on any Valuation Date (other than the Final Valuation Date), each Preference Share in issue shall be redeemed by the Company on the relevant Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Date in respect of such Valuation Date, and (ii) if Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption is applicable and a Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Event has not occurred on any Valuation Date (other than the Final Valuation Date), or if Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption is not applicable, each Preference Share in issue shall be redeemed by the Company on the Redemption Date, in each case by payment of the relevant Preference Share Redemption Amount and without the need for the Company to give notice of such redemption to the Holder, provided however (if applicable), if a Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Event occurs on a Valuation Date (other than the Final Valuation Date) or upon the valuation of a Preference Share on the Final Valuation Date, the Holder of a Preference Share may, but is not obliged to, request in writing on such Valuation Date or Final Valuation Date, as the case may be, or on any date following such Valuation Date or Final Valuation Date, as the case may be, up to but excluding the Redemption Date (if applicable) or Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Date, as the case may be, that the Redemption Date or (if applicable) Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Date, as the case may be, be deemed to occur on such day and that the Company pay the Preference Share Redemption Amount for settlement in immediately available funds on such day (or, if the request is not received in time on such day to effect transfer on such day, for the next business day in the Cayman Islands).

### ***Company Call***

The Company shall have the right exercisable during the Call and Put Period to redeem compulsorily all of the then outstanding Preference Shares at the Call and Put Redemption Amount payable on the date that right is exercised in accordance with the Articles, the Specific Terms and Conditions and in

the manner determined by the Company (a "**Company Call**"). Upon the Company exercising such right, it shall notify the Holders as soon as practicable in accordance with the Articles.

#### ***Holder Put***

If the Company has not given notice of its right to redeem compulsorily the Preference Shares in accordance with a Company Call, each Holder shall have the right exercisable during the Call and Put Period, by giving notice to the Company, to have all of its Preference Shares redeemed at the Call and Put Redemption Amount payable on the date that right is exercised in accordance with the Articles and in the manner determined by the Company (a "**Holder Put**"). Upon the occurrence of a Holder exercising such right, and where there is more than one Holder, the Company shall notify the other Holders as soon as practicable in accordance with the Articles.

#### ***Purchase***

Subject to the foregoing and to applicable law, the Company may at any time and from time to time purchase issued Preference Shares by tender, in the open market or by private agreement. If purchases are made by tender, the tender must be available to all Holders on the same terms and conditions.

Any such purchase, if made by the Company, shall be made in such manner and on such terms as the Company shall approve by a resolution passed by a simple majority of the Members as, being entitled to do so, vote in person or, where proxies are allowed, by proxy at a general meeting, and includes a unanimous written resolution (an "**Ordinary Resolution**").

#### ***Payment date falls on day other than Business Day***

If any date referred to under the Specific Terms and Conditions as a date for payment in respect of the Preference Shares would otherwise fall on a day that is not a Business Day, then the obligation to make payment on such date shall be adjusted so that the obligation to make such payment shall fall on the first following day that is a Business Day.

#### **Part B – Key Terms (variable)**

The following key terms (variable) will be completed by the Preference Share Issuer for each separate Class of Preference Shares to complete the Specific Terms and Conditions of that Class of Preference Shares (subject to adjustment for the particular terms of a Class of Preference Shares).

*Please note the following with regard to the terms in the table below:*

- *The terms are representative only and additional terms may be added and/or certain terms may be deleted and/or amended in relation to any particular Class of Preference Shares; and*
- *The terms assume that the Preference Share Underlying is an Index or Index Basket; if the Preference Share Underlying is a Share or Share Basket, then all references to (i) "Index" shall be replaced with "Share" and (ii) "Level" with "Price"; If the Preference Share Underlying is other than an Index or Share, consequential changes to the terms will be made.*

<b>Key terms of the Preference Shares</b>	
<b>Terms</b>	<b>Meanings</b>
<b>Title:</b>	[insert]
<b>Issue Date:</b>	[insert]
<b>Issue Price:</b>	[insert]
<b>Currency:</b>	[insert]
<b>Preference Shares Specified</b>	[insert]

<b>Denomination:</b>	
<b>Call and Put Period:</b>	The period commencing on and including the Issue Date to and including close of business on <i>[insert EIS Note issue date]</i> .
<b>Call and Put Redemption Amount:</b>	Issue Price
<b>Preference Share Underlying[s]:</b>	<i>[insert]</i> ([the] [each, an] [" <b>Index</b> "] [" <b>Share</b> "] [" <i>Other</i> "])
<b>Initial Valuation Date:</b>	<i>[insert]</i>
<b>Valuation Date(s):</b>	<i>[insert the/each valuation date]</i> (the [final valuation date shall be the] " <b>Final Valuation Date</b> ")
<b>Preference Share Underlying Level:</b>	<p>[In respect of any day, the official closing level of a Preference Share Underlying on such day, as calculated and published by the relevant Index Sponsor (subject to adjustment in accordance with the Index Linked Conditions).]</p> <p>[In respect of any day, the official closing level of a Preference Share Underlying on the Exchange on such day (subject to adjustment in accordance with the Share Linked Conditions).]</p> <p><i>[insert other]</i></p>
<b>Preference Share Underlying Level (Initial):</b>	<i>[Insert if known on issue]</i>
<b>Preference Share Underlying Level (Final)</b>	Preference Share Underlying Level on the Final Valuation Date
<b>[Preference Share Underlying Level (Barrier)]</b>	<i>[insert]</i>
<b>[Preference Share Underlying Level (Trigger)]</b>	<i>[insert]</i>
<b>[Preference Share Underlying Return:</b>	<p>In respect of [the] [a] Preference Share Underlying, the amount determined by the Preference Share Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:</p> <p>Preference Share Underlying Level (Final) / Preference Share Underlying Level (Initial)]</p>
<b>[Preference Share Underlying Performance</b>	<p>In respect of [the] [a] Preference Share Underlying (for the purposes of this definition, "<b>Preference Share Underlying(i)</b>") and a Valuation Date (for the purposes of this definition, "<b>Valuation Date(t)</b>"), the amount determined by the Preference Share Calculation Agent in accordance with the following formula:</p> $\left( \frac{\text{Preference Share Underlying Level}(i, t)}{\text{Preference Share Underlying Level (Initial)}(i)} \right)$ <p>Where:</p> <p>"<b>Preference Share Underlying Level(i,t)</b>" means the Preference Share Underlying Level of Preference Share Underlying(i) on Valuation Date(t); and</p>

	<p><b>"Preference Share Underlying Level (Initial)(i)"</b> means the Preference Share Underlying Level (Initial) of Preference Share Underlying(i)]</p> <p>[insert other]</p>
<b>[Worst Performing Preference Share Underlying:</b>	In respect of the Preference Share Underlyings and a Valuation Date, the Preference Share Underlying with the [lower] [lowest] Preference Share Underlying Performance for that Valuation Date, as determined by the Preference Share Calculation Agent, provided that, if the Preference Share Underlyings have the same Preference Share Underlying Performance, then the Worst Performing Preference Share Underlying shall be such Preference Share Underlying as selected by the Preference Share Calculation Agent in its discretion]
<b>[Worst Preference Share Underlying Performance:</b>	In respect of the Preference Share Underlyings and a Valuation Date, the Preference Share Underlying Performance of the Worst Performing Preference Share Underlying for that Valuation Date]
<b>[Preference Share Underlying Performance (Trigger):</b>	[insert]]
<b>Preference Share Redemption Amount:</b>	[insert formula, together with any related definitions (e.g. Participation", "Cap," and/or Strike"]
<b>Preference Share Redemption Date:</b>	[insert] provided that, if (i) Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Event is applicable and (ii) an Automatic Early Redemption Event occurs on a Valuation Date (other than the Scheduled Final Valuation Date), the "Preference Share Redemption Date" shall be the Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Date falling most recently after the Valuation Date on which the Automatic Early Redemption Event has occurred
<b>Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption:</b> [If not applicable delete following sub-paragraphs]	[Applicable] [Not Applicable]
<b>Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Event:</b>	<p>[The Preference Share Underlying Level on any Valuation Date (other than the Final Valuation Date) is <i>greater than or equal to</i> the Preference Share Underlying Level [(Trigger)] [(Initial)].]</p> <p>[The Preference Share Underlying Level of [each] [any] Preference Share Underlying on any Valuation Date (other than the Final Valuation Date) is <i>greater than or equal to</i> its [respective] Preference Share Underlying Level [(Trigger)] [(Initial)].]</p> <p>[The Worst Preference Share Underlying Performance on any Valuation Date (other than the Final Valuation Date) is <i>greater than or equal to</i> the Preference Share Underlying Performance (Trigger) of the Worst Performing Preference Share Underlying on such Valuation Date.]</p> <p>[Insert other, as applicable]</p>
<b>Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Amount:</b>	[insert formula, together with any related definitions]



<b>Preference Share Automatic Early Redemption Date(s):</b>	[insert]
<b>Business Day:</b>	Any day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in [London and] [insert] [which is a day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (TARGET 2) System (or any successor) is open]

### Schedule

A schedule, forming part of the Specific Terms and Conditions of the Preference Shares, will be included for each Class of Preference Shares in relation to the particular type of Preference Share Underlying (e.g. the Index Linked Conditions or Share Linked Conditions, as applicable). The terms of the schedule will be substantively identical to the Underlying Asset Conditions set out in this Base Prospectus in relation to the relevant type of Underlying Asset, save that the Calculation Agent will be the Preference Share Calculation Agent, references to 'Security' or 'Securities' will be to 'Preference Share' or 'Preference Shares' and certain other applicable changes will be made.

*Under the terms of the schedule, the Preference Share Calculation Agent may adjust or early redeem the Preference Shares following certain events in relation to the Preference Share Underlying. Any such adjustment or early redemption shall constitute a "Preference Shares Adjustment or Redemption Event" under the EIS Note Payout Conditions, in which case the Calculation Agent under the Notes may adjust or early redeem the Notes accordingly.*

## FORMS OF THE NOTES

### Registered Notes

Each Tranche of Registered Notes will be in the form of either individual Note Certificates ("**Individual Note Certificates**") or a global note in registered form (a "**Global Registered Note**"), in each case as specified in the relevant Final Terms. Each Global Registered Note will be deposited on or around the relevant issue date with a depositary or a common depositary for Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or any other relevant clearing system and registered in the name of a nominee for such depositary and will be exchangeable for Individual Note Certificates in accordance with its terms.

If the relevant Final Terms specifies the form of Notes as being "Individual Note Certificates", then the Notes will at all times be in the form of Individual Note Certificates issued to each Noteholder in respect of their respective holdings.

If the relevant Final Terms specifies the form of Notes as being "Global Registered Note exchangeable for Individual Note Certificates", then the Notes will initially be in the form of a Global Registered Note which will be exchangeable in whole, but not in part, for Individual Note Certificates:

- (a) on the expiry of such period of notice as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms; or
- (b) at any time, if so specified in the relevant Final Terms; or
- (c) if the relevant Final Terms specifies "in the limited circumstances described in the Global Registered Note", then if (a) Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or any other relevant clearing system is closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of legal holidays) or announces an intention permanently to cease business or (b) any of the circumstances described in General Note Condition 14 (*Events of Default*) occurs.

Whenever the Global Registered Note is to be exchanged for Individual Note Certificates, the relevant Issuer shall procure that Individual Note Certificates will be issued in an aggregate principal amount equal to the principal amount of the Global Registered Note within five business days of the delivery, by or on behalf of the registered holder of the Global Registered Note to the Registrar of such information as is required to complete and deliver such Individual Note Certificates (including, without limitation, the names and addresses of the persons in whose names the Individual Note Certificates are to be registered and the principal amount of each such person's holding) against the surrender of the Global Registered Note at the specified office of the Registrar.

Such exchange will be effected in accordance with the provisions of the Agency Agreement and the regulations concerning the transfer and registration of Notes scheduled thereto and, in particular, shall be effected without charge to any holder, but against such indemnity as the Registrar may require in respect of any tax or other duty of whatsoever nature which may be levied or imposed in connection with such exchange.

If:

- (a) Individual Note Certificates have not been delivered by 5.00 p.m. (London time) on the thirtieth day after they are due to be issued and delivered in accordance with the terms of the Global Registered Note; or
- (b) any of the Notes represented by a Global Registered Note (or any part of it) has become due and payable in accordance with the Terms and Conditions of the Notes or the date for final redemption of the Notes has occurred and, in either case, payment in full of the amount of principal falling due with all accrued interest thereon has not been made to the holder of the Global Registered Note in accordance with the terms of the Global Registered Note on the due date for payment,

then the Global Registered Note (including the obligation to deliver Individual Note Certificates) will become void at 5.00 p.m. (London time) on such thirtieth day (in the case of (a) above) or at 5.00 p.m. (London time) on such due date (in the case of (b) above) and the holder of the Global Registered Note will have no further rights thereunder (but without prejudice to the rights which the holder of the

Global Registered Note or others may have under the Deed of Covenant or Cayman Deed of Covenant, as applicable. Under the Deed of Covenant or Cayman Deed of Covenant, as applicable, persons shown in the records of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or any other relevant clearing system as being entitled to an interest in a Global Registered Note will acquire directly against the Issuer all those rights to which they would have been entitled if, immediately before the Global Registered Note became void, they had been the holders of Individual Note Certificates in an aggregate principal amount equal to the principal amount of Notes they were shown as holding in the records of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or any other relevant clearing system.

***Terms and Conditions applicable to the Notes***

The terms and conditions applicable to any Individual Note Certificate will be endorsed on that Individual Note Certificate and will consist of the terms and conditions set out under "General Terms and Conditions of the Notes" above and the provisions of the relevant Final Terms which complete, those terms and conditions.

## BOOK-ENTRY CLEARING SYSTEMS

*The information appearing below is based on the Issuers' understanding of the rules and procedures of the relevant Clearing System as derived from public sources. These rules and procedures are subject to change.*

### *Securities held through a Relevant Clearing System*

See "Book-entry systems" below. Transfers of Securities which are held in a Relevant Clearing System may be effected only through the Relevant Clearing System(s) in which the Securities to be transferred are held. Title will pass upon registration of the transfer in the books of the Relevant Clearing System(s) and in accordance with the local laws, regulations and/or rules governing such Relevant Clearing Systems.

Beneficial interests in the Global Securities will be shown on, and transfers thereof will be effected through, records maintained by the Relevant Clearing System(s) and its respective participants.

### *Book-entry systems*

DTC, Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg and Clearstream Frankfurt have each published rules and operating procedures designed to facilitate transfers of beneficial interests in Global Securities among participants and accountholders of DTC, Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg and Clearstream Frankfurt. However, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform such procedures, and such procedures may be discontinued or changed at any time. None of the Issuers, the Guarantor, the relevant Programme Agents, the relevant Paying Agents or any Dealer will be responsible for any performance by DTC, Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or Clearstream Frankfurt or their respective direct or indirect participants or accountholders of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations and none of them will have any liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial interests in the Securities represented by Global Securities or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to such beneficial interests.

### *Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Clearstream Frankfurt, Euroclear France and Euroclear Finland*

Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Clearstream Frankfurt, Euroclear France and Euroclear Finland each hold securities for their customers and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions by electronic book-entry transfer between their respective account holders. Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Clearstream Frankfurt, Euroclear France and Euroclear Finland provide various services including safekeeping, administration, clearance and settlement of internationally traded securities and securities lending and borrowing. Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Clearstream Frankfurt, Euroclear France and Euroclear Finland also deal with domestic securities markets in several countries through established depository and custodial relationships. Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg have established an electronic bridge between their two systems across which their respective participants may settle trades with each other. Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Clearstream Frankfurt, Euroclear France and Euroclear Finland customers are world-wide financial institutions, including underwriters, securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing corporations. Indirect access to Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Clearstream Frankfurt, Euroclear France and Euroclear Finland is available to other institutions that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with an account holder of either system.

### *DTC*

DTC is a limited-purpose trust company organised under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organisation" within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over two million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments from over 85 countries that DTC's participants ("**Direct Participants**") deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities through electronic computerised book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This

eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organisations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("**DTCC**"). DTCC, in turn, is owned by a number of Direct Participants and Members of the National Securities Clearing Corporation, Fixed Income Clearing Corporation and Emerging Markets Clearing Corporation (also subsidiaries of DTCC), as well as by the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., the American Stock Exchange LLC and the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. Access to the depository system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a DTC participant, either directly or indirectly ("**Indirect Participants**"). The rules applicable to Direct Participants are on file with the SEC. More information about DTC can be found at its internet web site at <http://www.dtcc.com/>.

#### *Euroclear Sweden*

Euroclear Sweden is a subsidiary within the Euroclear group of companies. Euroclear Sweden is a limited liability company. It is authorised and regulated by the Swedish Financial Supervisory Authority as a central securities deposit within the meaning of the Swedish Financial Instruments Accounts Act (1998:1479 (as amended)) and as a clearing organisation within the meaning of the Swedish Securities Markets Act (2007:528 (as amended)). Swedish Securities will be issued in registered, uncertificated and dematerialised book-entry form with Euroclear Sweden in accordance with the Swedish CSD Rules. No physical notes, certificates or other physical instruments (whether in global, temporary or definitive form) will be issued in respect of the Swedish Securities other than as specifically allowed in the General Instrument Conditions and the General Note Conditions. All transactions relating to the Swedish Securities (such as issuance, sale and transfer, pledge arrangements and other dispositions and redemptions) are executed as computerised book-entry registrations. Consequently, in order to effect such entries Holders must establish a book-entry account through a credit institution or a securities firm acting as an account operator with Euroclear Sweden. More information regarding Euroclear Sweden and its rules and operating procedures can be found at its internet web site at <http://www.ncsd.eu>.

#### *VPS*

The VPS is the Norwegian paperless centralised securities registry. It is a computerised bookkeeping system in which the ownership of and transactions relating to securities that are registered with the VPS are recorded. The VPS also and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions. All transactions relating to securities registered with the VPS are made through computerized book entries. The VPS confirms each entry by sending a transcript to the registered holder irrespective of any beneficial ownership. To effect such entries, the individual holder must establish a VPS account with an authorised VPS account agent. Amongst others banks and investment firms authorises to conduct services in or into Norway can become authorised VPS account agents. Indirect access to the VPS is available to authorised institutions that offer custodial/nominee services in securities registered with the VPS. The entry of a transaction in the VPS is prima facie evidence in determining the legal rights of parties as against the issuer or a third party claiming an interest in the relevant security. The VPS is generally liable for any loss resulting from an error in connection with registering, altering or cancelling a right, except in the event of contributory negligence, in which event compensation owed by the VPS may be reduced or withdrawn.

#### *Disclaimer as to Clearing Systems and their agents and operators*

Any description herein as to payments being made or any other actions or duties being undertaken by any Clearing System (or its agents or operators) is based solely on the Issuers' understanding of the relevant rules and/or operations of such Clearing System (and its agents and operators). None of the Issuers or the Guarantor makes any representation or warranty that such information is accurate or, in any event, that the relevant Clearing System (or its agents or operators) will make such payments or undertake such actions or duties in accordance with such description. Accordingly, notwithstanding anything else herein, none of the Issuers, the Guarantor or the Agents has any responsibility for the performance by any Clearing System (or its agents or operators) of their respective payment, delivery, Holder identification, or other obligations in respect of the Securities as described herein and/or under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

**USE OF PROCEEDS**

The net proceeds from the issue of each Tranche of the Securities will be used in the general business of the Issuers.

## TAXATION

The following is a general description of certain United Kingdom, Luxembourg, Austrian, Belgian, Bulgarian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, Finnish, French, German, Hungarian, Irish, Italian, Norwegian, Polish, Portuguese, Slovak, South African, Spanish, Swedish and United States tax considerations relating to the Securities. It does not constitute legal or tax advice. It does not purport to be a complete analysis of all tax considerations relating to the Securities, whether in the United Kingdom, Luxembourg, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Denmark, The Netherlands, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, the United States or elsewhere. Prospective purchasers of Securities should be aware that ownership of the Securities, and any transactions involving the Securities, including the issue of any Security, any purchase, disposal, lapse or redemption of, or other dealings in, the Securities and any transaction involved in the exercise and settlement of the Securities, may have tax consequences (including but not limited to withholding taxes and possible liabilities to stamp duties, transfer and registration taxes). The tax consequences may depend, amongst other things, upon the status and circumstances of the prospective purchaser, the terms and conditions of the particular Security specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms, and the applicable law and practice of taxation authorities in relevant jurisdictions. The following is a general guide and should be treated with appropriate caution. **Prospective purchasers of any Securities should consult their own tax advisers in relevant jurisdictions about the tax implications of holding any Security and of any transaction involving any Security.**

### United Kingdom Tax Considerations

*The following comments are of a general nature, relating only to the position of persons who are absolute beneficial owners of the Securities and is based on United Kingdom law and what is understood to be the current practice of Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs ("HMRC"), in each case at the date of this Base Prospectus, which may change at any time, possibly with retrospective effect. The following is a general overview only of the United Kingdom withholding taxation treatment at the date hereof in relation to income payments in respect of the Securities. The overview also contains some very general statements about stamp duty and stamp duty reserve tax ("SDRT"). The comments are not exhaustive, and do not deal with other United Kingdom tax aspects of acquiring, holding, disposing of, abandoning, exercising or dealing in Securities.*

#### United Kingdom withholding tax

##### *Interest payments*

Interest will only be subject to a deduction on account of United Kingdom income tax if it has a United Kingdom source in which case it may fall to be paid under deduction of United Kingdom income tax at the basic rate (currently 20 per cent.) subject to such relief as may be available under the provisions of any applicable double taxation treaty or to any other exemption which may apply.

The location of the source of a payment is a complex matter. It is necessary to have regard to case law and HMRC practice. Some of the case law is conflicting but HMRC take the view that in determining the source of interest all relevant factors must be taken into account. HMRC has indicated that the most important factors in determining the source of a payment are those which influence where a creditor would sue for payment and has stated that the place where the Issuer does business and the place where its assets are located are relevant factors in this regard; however, HMRC has also indicated that, depending on the circumstances, other relevant factors may include the place of performance of the contract, the method of payment, the proper law of contract, the competent jurisdiction for any legal action, the location of any security for the debt and the residence of the Guarantor, although other factors may also be relevant.

Where interest has a United Kingdom source, any payment of interest may nonetheless be made without withholding or deduction for or on account of United Kingdom income tax where any of the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i) if the Securities are and continue to be "quoted Eurobonds" as defined in section 987 of the Income Tax Act 2007. The Securities will constitute "quoted Eurobonds" if they carry a right to interest and are and continue to be listed on a recognised stock exchange within the

meaning of section 1005 of the Income Tax Act 2007. Securities admitted to trading on a recognised stock exchange outside the United Kingdom will be treated as "listed" on a recognised stock exchange if (and only if) they are admitted to trading on that exchange and they are officially listed in accordance with provisions corresponding to those generally applicable in European Economic Area states in a country outside the United Kingdom in which there is a recognised stock exchange;

- (ii) so long as the relevant Issuer is authorised for the purposes of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and its business consists wholly or mainly of dealing in financial instruments (as defined by section 984 of the Income Tax Act 2007) as principal, provided the payment is made in the ordinary course of that business;
- (iii) if the relevant interest is paid on Securities with a maturity date of less than one year from the date of issue and which are not issued under arrangements the effect of which is to render such Securities part of a borrowing with a total term of a year or more.

The references to "interest" above mean "interest" as understood in United Kingdom tax law and in

particular any premium element of the redemption amount of any Securities redeemable at a premium may constitute a payment of interest subject to the withholding tax provisions discussed above. The statements above do not take any account of any different definitions of "interest" or "principal" which may prevail under any other law or which may be created by the terms and conditions of the Securities or any related documentation.

Certain persons (including persons in the United Kingdom paying interest to, or receiving interest on behalf of, another person) may be required to provide certain information to HMRC regarding the identity of the payee or the person entitled to the interest. In certain circumstances, such information may be exchanged with tax authorities in other countries. The provisions referred to above may also apply, in certain circumstances, to payments of amounts due on redemption of Securities that constitute "deeply discounted securities" (as defined in the Income Tax (Trading and Other Income) Act 2005).

#### ***European Union savings directive***

Under EC Council Directive 2003/48/EC on the taxation of savings income (the "**Savings Directive**") each Member State is required to provide to the tax authorities of another Member State details of payments of interest or other similar income payments ("**Savings Income**") made by a person within its jurisdiction to or collected by such a person for an individual or to certain non-corporate entities, resident in that other Member State (interest payments on the Notes will for these purposes be Savings Income). However, for a transitional period, Austria and Luxembourg are instead applying a withholding system in relation to such payments, deducting tax at rates rising over time to 35 per cent. The transitional period is to terminate at the end of the first full fiscal year following agreement by certain non-EU countries to the exchange of information relating to such payments. However, Luxembourg has announced that it will cease to withhold from 1 January 2015 and instead provide the required information.

A number of non-EU countries, including Switzerland, and certain dependent or associated territories of certain Member States have adopted and implemented similar measures (either provision of information or transitional withholding - a withholding system in the case of Switzerland) in relation to payments of Savings Income made by a person within its jurisdiction to an individual, or to certain non-corporate entities, resident in a Member State.

In addition, Member States have entered into reciprocal arrangements with certain of those non-EU countries and dependent or associated territories of certain Member States in relation to payments of Savings Income made by a person in a Member State to an individual, or to certain non-corporate entities, resident in certain dependent or associated territories or non-EU countries.

Where an individual Holder receives a payment of Savings Income from any Member State or dependent or associated territory employing the withholding arrangement, the individual Holder may be able to elect not to have tax withheld. The formal requirements may vary slightly from jurisdiction to jurisdiction. They generally require the individual Holder to produce certain information (such as his tax number) and consent to details of payments and other information being transmitted to the tax authorities in his home state. Provided that the other Tax Authority receives all of the necessary



information the payment will not suffer a withholding under EC Council Directive 2003/48/EC or the relevant law conforming with the directive in a dependent or associated territory.

The Savings Directive is currently the subject of a review which may lead to it being amended to overcome its perceived shortcomings. It is not clear if and when these amendments will come into force. Any changes could apply to Notes that have already been issued at the date of the amendment of the Savings Directive.

#### *Transfer of Securities*

- (i) SDRT at 0.5 per cent. will be payable in respect of any agreement to transfer Securities which are not exempt loan capital where the issuer of the Securities is a body corporate incorporated in the United Kingdom or where the Securities are registered in a register kept in the United Kingdom by or on behalf of the relevant issuer.
- (ii) SDRT at 0.5 per cent. may be payable in relation to any agreement to transfer Securities such as Warrants which give the holder the right on exercise to acquire stock, shares or loan capital in certain companies with a United Kingdom connection unless such stock, shares or loan capital would itself qualify as "exempt loan capital". A company will have a United Kingdom connection for these purposes if:
  - (a) the company is incorporated in the United Kingdom;
  - (b) a register of the relevant stock, shares or loan capital is kept in the United Kingdom by or on behalf of the company; or
  - (c) the shares are "paired" with shares in a United Kingdom incorporated company within the meaning of section 99(6B) of the Finance Act 1986.

There may also be SDRT payable on Physical Delivery of stocks, shares or loan capital in such companies with a United Kingdom connection.

- (iii) Stamp duty at 0.5 per cent. may arise in respect of any document transferring any Security that does not constitute "exempt loan capital" but as a practical matter it is unlikely that any such stamp duty would have to be paid where the issuer of the Security is not incorporated in the United Kingdom and no register of the Securities is kept in the United Kingdom. Where a liability to stamp duty is paid within six years of a liability to SDRT arising the liability to SDRT will be cancelled or repaid as appropriate.
- (iv) Stamp duty at 0.5 per cent. may arise on Physical Delivery in certain cases.

Where stamp duty or SDRT is payable, it may be charged at the higher rate of 1.5 per cent. in respect of any document transferring or agreement to transfer Securities to a depositary receipts system or clearance service.

On the basis of the Issuers' understanding of current HMRC's practice, no UK stamp duty or SDRT should be payable on the issue of the Securities.

However, note that for an issue of Securities where all three of the circumstances in (a), (b) and (c) below are applicable, it is currently unclear whether such issue of Securities would be subject to 1.5 per cent. SDRT or not:

- (a) the Securities are not exempt from the charge to SDRT on transfers (see (i) and (ii) above);
- (b) the Securities are not within article 5(2) of the capital duties directive (Council Directive 2008/7/EC); and
- (c) the Securities are issued to an issuer of depositary receipts or a clearance service (or their nominees).

## **Luxembourg Tax Considerations**

*The following overview is of a general nature and is included herein solely for information purposes. It is a general description of certain Luxembourg tax considerations relating to the purchasing, holding and disposing of Securities.*

*This description is based on the laws, regulations and applicable tax treaties as in effect in Luxembourg on the date hereof, all of which are subject to change, possibly with retroactive effect. It is not intended to be, nor should it be construed to be, legal or tax advice.*

*The following overview does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all tax considerations that may be relevant to a particular prospective holder with regard to a decision to purchase, own or dispose of Securities.*

*Prospective holders are advised to consult their own tax advisers as to the tax consequences, under the tax laws of the country of which they are resident and under the laws of the all relevant jurisdictions, to which they may be subject.*

*The residence concept used under the respective headings below applies for Luxembourg income tax assessment purposes only. Any reference in the present section to a tax, duty, levy, impost or other charge or withholding of a similar nature refers to Luxembourg tax law and/or concepts only.*

### **Withholding tax**

#### ***Non-Luxembourg tax resident holders***

Under Luxembourg general tax laws currently in force and subject to the laws of 21 June 2005 (hereinafter "**Laws**") mentioned below, there is no withholding tax to be withheld by the debtor of Securities on payments of principal, premium or arm's length interest (including accrued but unpaid interest) to non-Luxembourg tax resident holders. Nor is any Luxembourg withholding tax payable upon redemption or repurchase of Securities held by non-Luxembourg tax resident holders to the extent said Securities do not (i) give entitlement to a share of the profits generated by the issuing company and (ii) the issuing company is not thinly capitalised.

#### ***EU Savings Directive on the Taxation of Savings Income***

Under the Laws, implementing the Council Directive 2003/48/EC of 3 June 2003 on taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments and ratifying the treaties entered into by Luxembourg and certain dependent and associated territories of EU Member States (hereinafter "**Territories**"), payments of interest or similar income made or ascribed by a paying agent established in Luxembourg to or for the immediate benefit of an individual beneficial owner or a residual entity, as defined by the Laws, which are resident of, or established in, an EU Member State (other than Luxembourg) or one of the Territories will be subject to a withholding tax at a rate of 35 per cent. unless the relevant recipient has duly instructed the relevant paying agent to provide details of the relevant payments of interest or similar income to the fiscal authorities of his/her/its country of residence or establishment, or, in the case of an individual beneficial owner, has provided a tax certificate issued by the fiscal authorities of his/her country of residence in the required format to the relevant paying agent. Responsibility for the withholding of the tax will be assumed by the Luxembourg Paying Agent.

#### ***Luxembourg tax resident holders***

Under Luxembourg general tax laws currently in force and subject to the law of 23 December 2005, as amended (hereinafter "**Law**"), there is no withholding tax to be withheld by the debtor of Securities on payments of principal, premium or arm's length interest (including accrued but unpaid interest) to Luxembourg tax resident holders. Nor is any Luxembourg withholding tax payable upon redemption or repurchase of Securities held by Luxembourg tax resident holders to the extent said Securities do not (i) give entitlement to a share of the profits generated by the issuing company and (ii) the issuing company is not thinly capitalised.

Under the Law, payments of interest or similar income made or ascribed by a paying agent established in Luxembourg to or for the immediate benefit of an individual beneficial owner who is tax resident of Luxembourg will be subject to a withholding tax of 10 per cent. In case the individual beneficial owner

is an individual acting in the course of the management of his/her private wealth, said withholding tax will be in full discharge of income tax. Responsibility for the withholding tax will be assumed by the Luxembourg Paying Agent. Payments of interest under Securities coming within the scope of the Law would be subject to withholding tax at a rate of 10 per cent.

### ***Registration tax***

Neither the issuance nor the transfer of Securities will give rise to any Luxembourg stamp duty, issuance tax, registration tax, transfer tax or similar taxes or duties. Notwithstanding, documents relating to the Securities, other than the Securities themselves, presented in a notarial deed or in the course of litigation may require registration. In this case, and based on the nature of such documents, registration duties may apply.

## **German Tax Considerations**

### ***Tax Residents***

#### *Taxation of interest income and capital gains*

Payments of interest on the Securities to persons who are tax residents of Germany (i.e., persons whose residence, habitual abode, statutory seat, or place of effective management and control is located in Germany) are subject to German income or corporate tax (plus solidarity surcharge (*Solidaritätszuschlag*) at a rate of 5.5 per cent. on the respective taxable amount). Furthermore, church tax may apply. Such interest may also be subject to trade tax if the Securities form part of the assets of a German trade or business.

Capital gains from the disposal, redemption, repayment or assignment of Securities held as non-business assets are subject to German income tax and solidarity surcharge. The taxable capital gain will be the difference between the proceeds from the disposition, redemption, repayment or assignment on the one hand and the acquisition and disposal costs on the other hand. Where Securities are issued in a currency other than Euro, the disposal proceeds and the acquisition costs each will be converted into Euros using the relevant current exchange rates, so that currency gains and losses will also be taken into account in determining taxable income.

Where a Security forms part of the property of a German trade or business generally, each year the part of the difference between the issue or purchase price of the Security and its redemption amount (if such amount is fixed at the time of the acquisition) attributable to such year as well as interest accrued must be taken into account as interest income and may also be subject to trade tax.

### *Withholding Tax*

If (i) Securities are held in a custodial account which the holder of the Securities maintains with a German credit institution or a German financial services institution, each as defined in the German Banking Act (*Gesetz über das Kreditwesen*) (including a German branch of a foreign credit institution or of a foreign financial services institution, but excluding a foreign branch of a German credit institution or a German financial services institution) (a "**German Bank**") or a German securities trader (*Wertpapierhandelsunternehmen*) or a German securities trading bank (*Wertpapierhandelsbanken*) or one of these entities executes the sale of the Securities and (ii) the relevant entity pays or credits the relevant payments under the Securities (a "**German Disbursing Agent**") and (iii) the respective payments qualify as interest payments on bonds and claims, which are publicly registered or entered into a foreign register or for which collective global notes or partial debentures were issued, or qualify as capital gains from the sale or redemption of coupons, if the linked bonds are not subject to the sale or the redemption, or qualify as capital gains from the sale or redemption of other capital claims within the meaning of sec. 20 para. 1 no. 7 of the German Income Tax Act or qualify as gains arising from forward transactions (*Termingeschäft*) or arising from the sale of a financial instrument which is designed as forward transaction, the German Disbursing Agent would withhold or deduct German withholding tax at a rate of 26.375 per cent. (including solidarity surcharge).

In case interest payments on bonds and claims, which are publicly registered or entered into a foreign register or for which collective global notes or partial debentures were issued, or proceeds from the sale or redemption of coupons, if the linked bonds are not subject to the sale, or proceeds from the sale or

redemption of other capital claims within the meaning of sec. 20 para. 1 no. 7 of the German Income Tax Act are paid out or credited by the debtor or a German Bank to a holder other than a foreign credit institution or foreign financial services institution against handing over of the Securities or interest coupons, which are not safe-kept or administered by the debtor or the German Bank ("**Over-the-counter Transaction**") the aforesaid institution is obliged to withhold tax at a rate of 26.375 per cent. (including solidarity surcharge).

Withholding tax will also apply with regard to proceeds from Securities held as business assets, provided the requirements as set forth above are met, unless in cases of proceeds deriving from forward transactions (*Termingeschäfte*) or from the sale of the Securities (i) the holder of the Securities qualifies as corporation being subject to unlimited taxation in Germany or (ii) such proceeds are business income of a German business and the holder of the Securities declares this fact to the German Disbursing Agent by way of an official form.

### *Flat Tax Regime*

Generally for private individuals holding the Securities as private assets, withholding taxes levied on income deriving from capital investments (e.g. interest income under the Securities and also capital gains) becomes a final flat tax of 25 per cent. plus a solidarity surcharge thereon, which is currently levied at 5.5 per cent., resulting in an aggregate tax burden of 26.375 per cent.). If the holder of the Securities holds the Securities with a German Disbursing Agent, then such flat tax will be directly withheld by such German Disbursing Agent (see above section on Withholding Tax). An individual holder may in addition be subject to church tax. Upon written application of the resident holder the German Disbursing Agent is also obliged to withhold church tax. If the resident holder by means of a written application chooses that the church tax should be taken into account within the withholding tax procedure by the German Disbursing Agent, the flat tax is to be reduced by 25 per cent. of the church tax applying to the respective taxable income. Such reduced withholding tax amount is the assessment base for the church tax to be withheld by the German Disbursing Agent. The church tax rate varies between the German federal states. If the income from the Securities was not subject to withholding tax, the flat tax is levied in the course of the annual assessment procedure.

### *Tax Base*

The tax base depends upon the nature of the respective income:

With regard to current interest income, the gross interest the resident holder receives is subject to the flat tax upon accrual of the interest.

Regarding the sale or redemption of the Securities, the capital gain is calculated on the difference between the proceeds from the redemption, transfer or sale after deduction of expenses directly related to the transfer, sale or redemption and the acquisition costs, if the Securities were purchased or sold by the German Disbursing Agent and had been held in a custodial account with such German Disbursing Agent. In case the resident holder transfers the Securities to another account, the initial German Disbursing Agent has to inform the new German Disbursing Agent about the acquisition costs of the Securities, otherwise 30 per cent. of the proceeds from the sale or redemption of the Securities are deemed as assessment base for the withholding tax.

If (i) the income earned under the Securities on the basis of their respective Final Terms qualifies as income within the meaning of sec. 20 para. 1 no. 7 of the German Income Tax Act and (ii) the resident holder may demand the delivery of a fixed number of securities instead of repayment of the nominal value of the Securities by the Issuer upon the maturity of the Securities or the Issuer is entitled to deliver a fixed number of securities instead of the repayment of the nominal value upon the maturity of the Securities and (iii) the resident holder or the Issuer makes use of such right, then the acquisition costs for the Securities are deemed as sale price and as acquisition costs for the delivered bonds or shares. In such case, no taxation or withholding tax is triggered upon delivery of the bonds or the shares.

Apart from an annual lump-sum deduction (*Sparer-Pauschbetrag*) for investment type income of EUR 801 (EUR 1,602 for married couples filing jointly) investors holding the Securities as private assets will not be entitled to deduct expenses incurred in connection with the investment in the

Securities from their income. In addition, such holders could not offset losses from the investment in the Securities against other type of income (e.g., employment income).

In general, no withholding tax will be levied if the holder of Securities is an individual (i) whose Securities do not form part of the property of a German trade or business nor gives rise to income from the letting and leasing of property and (ii) who filed a certificate of exemption (*Freistellungsauftrag*) with the German Disbursing Agent but only to the extent the interest income derived from the Securities together with other investment income does not exceed the maximum exemption amount shown on the certificate of exemption. Similarly, no withholding tax will be deducted if the holder of Securities has submitted to the German Disbursing Agent a certificate of non assessment (*Nichtveranlagungsbescheinigung*) issued by the relevant local tax office.

If the Securities are not held as private assets but as a business assets, gains relating to a sale, transfer or redemption of the Securities and payments of interest are subject to German corporation tax or income tax and in any case trade tax as part of current operating profit. Losses incurred under the Securities may only be limited tax deductible.

If the Securities are held as business assets, a withholding tax charge will not be a final tax, but might result in a tax credit or refund of the withholding tax.

### ***Non-residents***

Non-residents of Germany are, in general, exempt from German income taxation, unless the respective payments qualify as taxable income from German sources within the meaning of section 49 of the German Income Tax Act, e.g. if the Securities are held in a German permanent establishment or through a German permanent representative or payments are paid within the scope of an Over-the-counter Transaction or for another reason stipulated in said section 49 of the German income tax act. In this case a holder of the Securities will be subject to a limited tax liability in Germany and income tax or corporation tax as the case may be and solidarity surcharge will be levied on the German income. In addition, interest income and capital gains will be subject to trade tax if the Securities belong to a German permanent establishment of the holder.

Generally, German withholding taxes may be levied, even if the right to tax the income is, e.g. due to a double taxation treaty, not with Germany if the further conditions set out above are met. However, under certain conditions, the investor in the Securities may be eligible for a full or partial refund.

Under certain circumstances non-residents may benefit from tax reductions or tax exemptions under double tax treaties, if any, entered into with Germany.

### ***German Investment Tax Act***

According to a decree of the German Federal Ministry of Finance (*Bundesfinanzministerium* or *BMF*), a foreign investment fund unit only exists if the investor has a direct legal relationship to the foreign investment fund, which, however, has not to be a membership-like relationship. A security, which is issued by a third party and only reflects the economic results of one or various foreign investment funds (certificate), is not regarded as a foreign investment fund unit. As a consequence, the existence of the requirements of a foreign investment fund unit, i.e. redemption rights or the existence of supervision, are not relevant in this case, unless a so-called "umbrella fund" structure exists.

Currently neither judicature nor decrees of the tax administration exist as to the interpretation of the restriction regarding umbrella funds. It is currently unclear under what circumstances an umbrella fund structure exists with the result that the Securities may qualify as foreign investment fund units and trigger the application of the Investment Tax Act.

If the Investment Tax Act applies, but the reporting requirements are not met, investors would be subject to an adverse lump-sum taxation, in which case distributions on the Securities, a potential so-called "interim profit" (i.e. interest and interest-like earnings which have not yet been distributed to the investors or are not deemed as retained earnings due to the fact that the investor sells the Securities during the course of the fund's business year) and the higher of (i) 70 per cent. of the annual increase in the redemption amount and (ii) six per cent. of the redemption amount at the end of each calendar year are subject to tax and could also be subject to withholding tax.

Please note, the German investment tax act is currently under review by the German legislature and the above mentioned rules may therefore change in the future.

### ***Inheritance and Gift Tax***

No inheritance or gift taxes with respect to any Instrument will arise under the laws of Germany, if, in the case of inheritance tax, neither the deceased nor the beneficiary, or, in the case of gift tax, neither the donor nor the donee, is a resident of Germany and such Instrument is not attributable to a German trade or business for which a permanent establishment is maintained, or a permanent representative has been appointed, in Germany. Exceptions from this rule apply to certain German expatriates.

### ***Other Taxes***

No stamp, issue, registration or similar taxes or duties will be payable in Germany in connection with the issuance, delivery or execution of the Securities. Net assets tax (*Vermögensteuer*) is currently not levied in Germany. Please note, Germany may levy financial transaction tax in the future.

### **Austrian Taxation**

*The following is a brief overview of Austrian income tax aspects in connection with the Securities. It does not claim to fully describe all Austrian tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership, disposition or redemption of the Securities. In some cases a different tax regime may apply. As under this programme different types of securities may be issued, the tax treatment of such securities can be different due to their specific terms. Furthermore, this overview does not take into account or discuss the tax laws of any country other than Austria nor does it take into account the investors' individual circumstances. Prospective investors are advised to consult their own professional advisers to obtain further information about the tax consequences of the acquisition, ownership, disposition, redemption, exercise or settlement of the Securities. Only personal advisers are in a position to adequately take into account the special tax aspects of the particular Securities in question as well as the investor's personal circumstances and any special tax treatment applicable to the investor. Tax risks resulting from the Securities (in particular from a potential qualification as a foreign investment fund within the meaning of sec 188 of the Austrian Investment Funds Act) shall in any case be borne by the investors.*

*This overview is based on Austrian law as in force when drawing up this Base Prospectus. The laws and their interpretation by the tax authorities may change and such changes may also have retroactive effect. With regard to certain innovative or structured financial Securities there is currently neither case law nor comments of the financial authorities as to the tax treatment of such financial Securities. Accordingly, it cannot be ruled out that the Austrian financial authorities and courts or the Austrian paying agents adopt a view different from that outlined below.*

### ***Withholding Tax***

- (a) All payments of interest and principal by the Issuers under the Securities can be made free and clear of any withholding or deduction for or on account of any taxes of whatsoever nature imposed, levied, withheld, or assessed by Austrian or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein, in accordance with the applicable Austrian law, subject however to:

the application of 25 per cent. Austrian withholding tax (*Kapitalertragsteuer*), if income from the Securities is paid out by a custodian or a paying agent (credit institutions including Austrian branches of foreign credit institutions paying out the income to the holder of the Securities (*depotführende oder auszahlende Stelle*) located in Austria. Income from the Securities includes (i) interest payments as well as (ii) income, if any, realised upon redemption or prior redemption or (iii) income realised upon sale of the Securities (capital gains). In the case of performance linked Securities ("structured notes", e.g. index certificates) with reference assets such as shares, bonds, certificates, indices, commodities, currency exchange rates, fund shares, future contracts, interest rates or baskets of such assets including discounted share certificates and bonus certificates, the total capital gains would be treated as income from derivative financial instruments. Additional special rules on deducting 25 per cent. withholding tax apply to cash or share notes.

Furthermore, special withholding tax rules will apply if a requalification of an Instrument into units of a foreign investment fund in the meaning of sec 188 of the Austrian Investment Funds Act takes place. Pursuant to sec 188 of the Austrian Investment Funds Act, a foreign investment fund is defined as any assets subject to a foreign jurisdiction which, irrespective of the legal form they are organised in, are invested according to the principle of risk-spreading on the basis either of a statute, of the entity's articles of association or of customary exercise. This term, however, does not encompass collective real estate investment vehicles pursuant to sec. 20 of the Austrian Real Estate Funds Act (*Immobilien-Investmentfondsgesetz*). In this respect it should be noted that the Austrian tax authorities have commented upon the distinction between index certificates of foreign issuers on the one hand and foreign investment funds on the other hand in the Investment Fund Regulations. Pursuant to these regulations a foreign investment fund may be assumed if for the purpose of the issuance a predominant actual purchase of the reference asset by the issuer or a trustee of the issuer, if any, is made or actively managed assets exist. Direct held debt securities, whose performance depend on an index, should not be seen as foreign investment funds.

The 25 per cent. withholding tax generally constitutes a final taxation (*Endbesteuerung*) for all Austrian resident individuals, if they hold the Securities as a non-business asset under the condition that the Securities are in addition legally and factually offered to an indefinite number of persons (i.e. public placement of the Securities). Final taxation means that no further income tax will be assessed and the income is not to be included in the investor's income tax return. In the case of an average income tax rate below 25 per cent. the income may be included in the individual tax return and the withholding tax is credited against income tax or paid back respectively. Loss compensation to a certain extent is applicable under certain conditions.

Corporate investors deriving business income from the Securities may avoid the application of withholding tax – if applicable - by filing a declaration of exemption (*Befreiungserklärung*) in the meaning of sec 94 no 5 of the Austrian Corporate Income Tax Act with the custodian or paying agent. Otherwise the withholding tax is credited against corporate income tax. Generally, income from the Securities is subject to corporate income tax at a rate of 25 per cent.

In the case of private foundations pursuant to the Austrian Private Foundations Act fulfilling the prerequisites contained in sec 13 subpara 1 of the Austrian Corporate Income Tax Act and holding the Securities as a non-business asset no withholding tax is levied on income on such Securities under the conditions set forth in sec. 94 no 12 of the Austrian Income Tax Act. However, on income from the Securities an interim tax (*Zwischensteuer*) at a rate of 25 per cent. is levied. This interim tax can be credited against withholding tax for amounts granted to beneficiaries of the Private Foundation.

In the case of Austrian non-resident holders of the Securities, Austrian withholding tax may apply on interest payments and capital gains if such payments are made by a custodian or paying agent in Austria. If the non-resident individual investors are not subject to limited income tax liability in Austria with the income from such Securities (e.g. if the investor does not have an Austrian permanent establishment (*Betriebsstätte*) which the Securities are attributable to) however the income is subject to withholding by virtue of an Austrian custodian or paying agent, the withholding tax will be refunded upon the investor's application. The Austrian Ministry of Finance has also made it possible for the non-resident investor to furnish proof of non-residency, in which case the Austrian custodian or paying agent may already refrain from withholding at source.

In case no withholding tax is levied on income from the Securities (i.e. interest income is not paid out by a custodian or paying agent in Austria), Austrian resident individual investors will have to declare the income derived from the Securities in their income tax returns pursuant to the Austrian Income Tax Act. In this case the income from the Securities is subject to a flat income tax rate of 25% pursuant to sec 27a subpara 1 of the Austrian Income Tax Act provided that the Securities are in addition legally and factually offered to an indefinite number of persons.

The redemption by delivery of underlying assets results in an acquisition of the underlying asset by the investor. Capital gains upon disposal of the underlying asset are generally taxable at the 25 per cent. tax rate in the case of capital investments. In the case of investment funds the securities in the fund are relevant. Capital gains from the disposal of raw materials or precious metals are subject to income tax at the regular progressive tax rate if disposal is effected less than one year after the acquisition.

Upon relocation abroad investment income, until the time of relocation, is taxable in Austria. However, in the case of relocation within the European Union or the European economic Area (under certain conditions regarding assistance among the authorities), taxation can be postponed upon actual realisation of the income based on a respective application. Special rules also apply to the transfer of a custodian account from Austria abroad.

- (b) The application of the Austrian EU Withholding Tax Act 2004 implementing the European Union Savings Directive (see paragraph "*EU Savings Directive*" below), which may be applicable if a paying agent in Austria (which might be, e.g. any Austrian bank holding a securities account for a holder of the Securities) pays out interest within the meaning of the Directive to a beneficial owner who is an individual resident in another Member State other than Austria provided that no exception from such withholding applies. The withholding tax amounts to 35 per cent. Regarding the issue of whether certificates are subject to the withholding tax, the Austrian tax authorities distinguish between certificates with and without a capital guarantee (a capital guarantee being the promise of a repayment of a minimum amount of the capital invested or the promise of the payment of interest), with the Reference Assets being of relevance. Furthermore, pursuant to the guidelines published by the Austrian Federal Ministry of Finance, income from derivatives, such as futures, options or swaps, does not in general qualify as interest in the sense of the Austrian EU Withholding Tax Act.

### ***EU Savings Directive***

Under the EC Council Directive 2003/48/EC on the taxation of savings income, each Member State is required, from 1 July 2005, to provide to the tax authorities of another Member State details of payments of interest or other similar income paid by a person within its jurisdiction to, or collected by such a person for, an individual resident in that other Member State; however, for a transitional period, Austria, Belgium and Luxembourg were instead entitled to apply a withholding system in relation to such payments, deducting tax at rates rising over time to 35 per cent. The transitional period is to terminate at the end of the first full fiscal year following the agreement by certain non-EU countries to the exchange of information relating to such payments.

Also with effect from 1 July 2005, a number of non-EU countries, and certain dependent or associated territories of certain Member States, have agreed to adopt similar measures (either provision of information or transitional withholding) in relation to payments made by a person within its jurisdiction to, or collected by such a person for, an individual resident in a Member State. In addition, the Member States have entered into reciprocal provision of information or transitional withholding arrangements with certain of those dependent or associated territories in relation to payments made by a person in a Member State to, or collected by such a person for, an individual resident in one of those territories.

### ***Responsibility for Withholding of Taxes***

The issuer is not liable for the withholding of taxes at source. Withholding tax is levied by an Austrian custodian or paying agent.

### ***Belgian withholding tax***

If the Issuers are making payments in respect of the Securities, which qualify as "interest" for Belgian tax purposes, and these payments are made to investors via a Belgian paying agent or other financial intermediary established in Belgium, then a 25 per cent. withholding tax will normally apply, save where an exemption is applicable (e.g. for interest payments made by non-residents (like the Issuers) to non-resident investors which are not imputed on the results of a Belgian establishment of the payer and which are made through regulated financial intermediaries (including licensed clearing institutions) established in Belgium). This withholding tax is the final tax for private individuals and non-profit legal entities resident in Belgium and constitutes an advance tax payment for individual professional



investors and companies established in Belgium, which is creditable against their final income tax assessment and any excess withholding may be refundable.

If the payments made by the Issuers on the Securities would qualify as "dividends" for Belgian tax purposes and these payments are made to investors via a Belgian paying agent or other financial intermediary established in Belgium, then a 25 per cent. withholding tax will normally apply, save where an exemption is applicable (e.g. for non-Belgian source dividends received by Belgian resident companies or Belgian establishments of non-resident companies resident in another Member State of the EEA). Again, this withholding tax is the final tax for private individuals and non-profit legal entities resident in Belgium and constitutes an advance tax payment for individual professional investors and companies established in Belgium, which is creditable against their final income tax assessment and any excess withholding may be refundable.

As non-residents of Belgium, not acting through a Belgian establishment or branch office, the Issuers do not assume responsibility for the Belgian withholding tax referred to above.

## **Bulgarian Taxation**

### ***Withholding Tax***

To the extent that (a) the Securities will be issued by non-Bulgarian entities and (b) any interest payments will be paid by such non-Bulgarian entities, there will be no withholding tax in Bulgaria.

To the extent the Securities under the Base Prospectus will not be issued by Bulgarian legal entities, the capital gains derived from the transfer of such Securities would not attract Bulgarian withholding tax.

## **Czech Taxation**

There is no Czech withholding tax arising in connection with the Securities. It is assumed that the relevant Issuer of the Securities is not a resident of the Czech Republic for Czech tax purposes, does not have a permanent establishment in the territory of the Czech Republic, and has not employed its employees in the country for more than 183 days, except in cases where services are provided.

## **Danish withholding tax**

No Danish withholding tax will be imposed on inbound payments of interest or principal or other amounts due on the Securities.

Under existing Danish tax laws, no general withholding tax or coupon tax will apply to outbound payments of interest or principal or other amounts due on the Securities, other than in certain cases on payments in respect of controlled debt in relation to the Issuer as referred to in The Danish Corporation Tax Act (*Selskabsskatteloven*) of 14 November 2012 (as amended). This will not have any impact on Holders of Securities who are not in a relationship whereby they control, or are controlled by, the Issuer or where the Holders of the Securities and shares of the Issuer are not controlled by the same group of persons.

## **Dutch Taxation**

For the purposes of the Netherlands tax consequences as described herein, it is assumed that the relevant Issuer of the Securities is neither a resident nor deemed to be resident of the Netherlands for Netherlands tax purposes.

### ***Withholding Tax***

All payments made by the relevant Issuer under the Securities may be made free of withholding or deduction for any taxes of whatsoever nature imposed, levied, withheld or assessed by the Netherlands or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein.

## **Finnish Tax Considerations**

*The following overview relates only to Finnish withholding tax issues for payments made in respect of the Securities to persons who are generally liable to tax on Finland (i.e. persons that are resident of*

*Finland for tax purposes). The overview does not deal with any other Finnish tax implications of acquiring, holding or disposing of the Securities. Investors are advised to seek professional advice relating to other tax implications in respect of acquiring, holding or disposing of the Securities.*

As the Issuer is not resident in Finland for tax purposes, there is no Finnish withholding tax (*Fi. lähdevero*) applicable to the payments made by the Issuer in respect of the Securities.

However, Finland operates a system of preliminary taxation (*Fi. ennakonpidätysjärjestelmä*) to secure payment of taxes in certain circumstances. In the context of the Securities, a tax of 30 per cent will be deducted and withheld from all payments that are treated as interest or as compensation comparable to interest, when such payments are made by a Finnish Paying Agent to individuals. Any preliminary tax (*Fi. ennakonpidätys*) will be used for the payment of the individual's final taxes (i.e. they will be credited against the individual's final tax liability). If, however, the Securities are regarded as warranties for Finnish tax purposes, any payments made in respect of the Securities may generally be made by the Issuer without deduction or withholding for or on account of Finnish tax.

### **French Tax Considerations**

*The following is a general description of the French withholding tax treatment of income from the Securities. It does not purport to be a complete analysis of all tax considerations relating to the Securities, whether in France or elsewhere. In particular, it does not describe the French tax treatment applicable to holders of Securities who are tax residents of France, except in relation to French withholding tax on interest and does not discuss any other French tax such as French registration duties or French tax on financial transactions. Prospective purchasers of the Securities should consult their own tax advisers as to which countries' tax laws could be relevant to acquiring, holding and disposing of the Securities and receiving payments of interest, principal and/or other amounts under the Securities and the consequences of such actions under the tax laws of France. This overview is based upon the law as in effect on the date of this Base Prospectus, which may change at any time, possibly with retrospective effect.*

Payments of interest (and principal) by the relevant Issuers under the Securities may in principle be made without any compulsory withholding or deduction for or on account of French income taxes to the extent that the relevant Issuers are not incorporated in France or otherwise acting through a French establishment.

However, if such payments are made to French resident individuals and regarded as interest or assimilated income (e.g. reimbursement premium) for French tax purposes, the paying agent could be subject to withholding obligations. In that case, social contributions of currently 15.5 per cent. and the 24 per cent. income tax prepayment, applicable in principle to interest and assimilated income received by French resident individuals, would generally need to be withheld and reported by the paying agent, if the paying agent is established in France (exceptions may however apply depending on level of income of the taxpayer). If the paying agent is established outside France, it is in principle not involved in this withholding obligation, unless it is established in an EU or EEA member state and has been expressly appointed by the French taxpayer to do so.

The EU Savings Directive has been implemented into French law under article 242 ter of the French *Code Général des Impôts*. These provisions impose on paying agents based in France an obligation to report to the French tax authorities certain information with respect to interest payments made to beneficial owners domiciled in another Member State (or certain territories), including, among other things, the identity and address of the beneficial owner and a detailed list of the different categories of interest (within the meaning of the EU Savings Directive) paid to that beneficial owner.

### **Hungarian withholding tax**

A private individual is subject to withholding taxation of certain capital incomes, if such capital income is paid to the private individual taxpayer by a legal person, other organisation, or private entrepreneur resident in Hungary that (who) provides taxable income, irrespective of whether such payment is made directly or through an intermediary (post office, credit institution) (a "**Hungarian Payer**").

- (a) In respect of interest, Hungarian Payer shall mean the person who pays any interest income to any private individual according to the Personal Income Tax Act, the borrower of a loan or the issuer of a bond.

- (b) In respect of dividends, Hungarian Payer shall mean the taxpayer from whose assets such dividends are paid.
- (c) In respect of revenues originating from a transaction concluded with the involvement of a licensed stockbroker, Hungarian Payer shall mean such stockbroker (consignee).
- (d) In respect of income that is earned in a foreign country and taxable in Hungary, Hungarian Payer shall mean the person (legal person, other organisation, or private entrepreneur) commissioned in Hungary, exclusive of transaction orders given to a credit institution solely for the performance of a transfer (payment).
- (e) In respect of any taxable payment made by a non-resident company through its branch or commercial representation, such branch or commercial representation shall be considered a Hungarian Payer.

The withholding tax also applies if the private individual is not a Hungarian tax resident, i.e. is generally not subject to Hungarian income tax.

The withholding tax applies to the following kinds of income, each defined or detailed further in Act CXVII of 1995 on Personal Income Tax: interest income, income from securities lending, dividend income and capital gains income. However, whether a withholding tax is actually applicable to a certain income, the exact details of the security, the income payment and the tax subject (holder of the security) shall be examined.

A withholding tax obligation may also be created or cease due to a convention on (the avoidance of) double taxation, between Hungary and another State.

In case of income from controlled capital market transactions, no withholding tax applies, however, if the Hungarian Payer of such income is an investment service provider, it shall report certain income information to the Hungarian tax authority.

Generally, with the exception of special cases, legal entities are not subject to any corporate income tax withholding in connection with capital gains (interest, dividend and return on security sales revenues) on the basis of Act LXXXI of 1996 on Corporate Income Tax.

#### ***Hungarian implementation of the Savings Tax Directive 2003/48/EC***

As the transposition of Directive 2003/38/EC, Section 52 (2) and Schedule No. 7 of Act XCII of 2003 on the Rules of Taxation regulates the exchange of information between authorities of the EU member states regarding interest payments and equivalent payments on the basis of the following principles:

- (a) A payer shall supply to the state tax authority the information on the beneficial owner and the amount of interest paid.
- (b) For the purposes of the information exchange obligation, payer means any economic operator or other organisation who pays interest to, or secures the payment of interest for, the immediate benefit of a beneficial owner established in another Member State of the European Union.
- (c) An economic operator paying interest to members of an organisation who qualify as beneficial owners, via the same organisation resident in another EU Member State shall also provide information to the state tax authority, except for certain cases.
- (d) For the purposes of the information exchange, Schedule No. 7 defines the notion of interest payment and beneficial owner.
- (e) The payer shall take all reasonable steps to establish the identity of the beneficial owner if a representative is acting in the name and on behalf of the beneficial owner. The identification requirements are further detailed in Schedule No. 7.
- (f) The Hungarian tax authority transfers the data provided to the tax authority of the member state of the beneficial owner's tax residence.

## **Irish Tax Considerations**

*The following comments are of a general nature, relating only to the position of persons who are the absolute beneficial owners of the Securities. The following is a general overview only of the Irish withholding tax treatment on the date of this Base Prospectus in relation to income payments in respect of the Securities. This overview is based on Irish law and what is understood to be the practice of the Irish Revenue Commissioners, in each case as in effect on the date of this Base Prospectus, which are subject to prospective or retroactive change. The comments are not exhaustive and do not deal with any other Irish tax aspects of acquiring, holding, disposing of, abandoning, exercising or dealing in the Securities. Prospective investors in the Securities should consult their own advisers as to the Irish tax consequences of acquiring, holding, disposing of, abandoning, exercising or dealing in the Securities.*

### ***Irish withholding tax on interest payments***

Irish interest withholding tax should not apply to interest payments which have their source outside Ireland. On the basis that the relevant issuer is not resident in Ireland and has no presence in Ireland, that no interest payments will be made from Ireland, that no Irish situate assets will be secured and that the Securities will not be deposited with an Irish depository, interest payments on the Securities should not have an Irish source and, thus, no Irish interest withholding tax should arise.

### ***Irish withholding tax on annual payments***

Irish withholding tax can also apply to payments, other than interest payments, which are annual payments for Irish tax purposes. However, Irish withholding tax should not apply to annual payments which have their source outside Ireland. On the basis that the relevant issuer is not resident in Ireland and has no presence in Ireland, that no payments will be made from Ireland, that no Irish situate assets will be secured, and that the Securities will not be deposited with an Irish depository, any annual payments on the Securities should not have an Irish source and, thus, no Irish withholding tax should arise on such payments.

### ***Irish encashment tax***

Irish encashment tax may be required to be withheld at the standard rate (currently 20 per cent.) from any interest payments or annual payments paid in respect of the Securities where such payments are paid or collected by a person in Ireland on behalf of any holder of the Securities. Holders of the Securities should therefore note that the appointment of an Irish collection agent or an Irish paying agent could result in the deduction of 20 per cent. encashment tax by such agent from interest payments or annual payments on the Securities. A holder of the Securities that is not resident in Ireland for tax purposes may claim an exemption from this form of withholding tax by submitting an appropriate declaration of non-Irish tax residency to the Irish agent.

## **Italian Tax Considerations**

*The following is a general overview of current Italian law and practice relating to certain Italian tax considerations concerning the purchase, ownership and disposal of the Securities by Italian resident investors and does not in any way constitute, nor should it be relied upon as being, a tax advice or a tax opinion covering any or all of the relevant tax considerations surrounding or connected to the purchase, ownership or disposal of the Securities by Italian or non-Italian resident investors. It does not purport to be a complete analysis of all tax considerations that may be relevant to a decision to purchase, own or dispose of the Securities and does not purport to deal with the tax consequences applicable to all categories of prospective beneficial owners of Securities, some of which may be subject to special rules. This overview is based upon Italian tax laws and published practice in effect as at the date of this Base Prospectus, which may be subject to change, potentially with retroactive effect and assumes that the Securities are issued on or after 1 January 2012.*

Prospective purchasers should be aware that tax treatment depends on the individual circumstances of each client: as a consequence they should consult their tax advisers as to the consequences under Italian tax law and under the tax laws of the country in which they are resident for tax purposes and of any other potentially relevant jurisdiction of acquiring, holding and disposing of Securities and receiving payments of interest, principal and/or other amounts under the Securities, including in particular the effect of any state, regional or local tax laws.

### ***Italian tax treatment of the Securities (Warrants, Certificates and Notes)***

*The Securities may be subject to different tax regimes depending on whether:*

- (a) they represent a debt instrument implying a use of capital (*impiego di capitale*), through which the investors transfer to the Issuer a certain amount of capital, for the economic exploitation of the same, subject to the right to obtain a (partial or entire) reimbursement of such amount at maturity; or
- (b) they represent derivative financial instruments or bundles of derivative financial instruments, through which the investors purchase indirectly underlying financial instruments.

#### **1. Securities representing debt instruments implying a "use of capital"**

##### **Securities having 100 per cent. capital protection guaranteed by the Issuer**

###### *Italian resident investors*

Legislative Decree No. 239 of 1 April 1996, as subsequently amended, (the "**Decree No. 239**") provides for the applicable regime with respect to the tax treatment of interest, premium and other income (including the difference between the redemption amount and the issue price) from Securities falling within the category of bonds (*obbligazioni*) or debentures similar to bonds (*titoli similari alle obbligazioni*) issued, inter alia, by non-Italian resident Issuers.

For these purposes, debentures similar to bonds are defined as bonds that incorporate an unconditional obligation to pay in cash, at maturity, an amount not less than their nominal value (whether or not providing for interim payments) and that do not give any right to directly or indirectly participate in the management of the relevant Issuer or of the business in relation to which they are issued nor any type of control on the management.

Where an Italian resident Investor is:

- (a) an individual not engaged in a trade (*esercizio di attività commerciali*) to which the Securities are connected (unless he has opted for the application of the *risparmio gestito* regime – see "**Capital Gains Tax**" below);
- (b) a non-commercial partnership pursuant to Article 5 of the Presidential Decree No. 917 of 22 December 1986 ("**TUIR**") (with the exception of general partnerships, limited partnerships and similar entities);
- (c) a public or private entity (other than a company) or a trust not carrying out a commercial activity; or
- (d) an investor exempt from Italian corporate income taxation;

interest (including the difference between the redemption amount and the issue price), premium and other income relating to the Securities, accrued during the relevant holding period, are subject to a withholding tax, referred to as *imposta sostitutiva*, levied at the rate of 20 per cent. In the event that the investors described above are engaged in a trade (*esercizio di attività commerciali*) to which the Securities are connected, the *imposta sostitutiva* applies as a provisional tax and may be deducted from the final income tax due by the relevant Investor..

Where an Italian resident Investor is not included in the above (a) to (d) (inclusive) and is a company or similar commercial entity pursuant to Article 73 of TUIR or a permanent establishment in Italy - to which the Securities are effectively connected – of a non – Italian resident entity and the Securities are deposited with an authorised intermediary, interest, premium and other income from the Securities will not be subject to *imposta sostitutiva*, but must be included in the relevant Investor's income tax return and are therefore subject to general Italian corporate taxation ("**IRES**", levied at the rate of 27.5 per cent.) and, in certain circumstances, depending on the "status" of the Investor, also to regional tax on productive activities ("**IRAP**", generally levied at the rate of 3.9 per cent., even though regional surcharges may apply).

Under the current regime provided by Law Decree No. 351 of 25 September 2001 converted into law with amendments by Law No. 410 of 23 November 2001, payments of interest in respect of the Securities made to Italian resident real estate investment funds established pursuant to Article 37 of Legislative Decree No. 58 of 24 February 1998, as amended and supplemented, and Article 14-bis of Law No. 86 of 25 January 1994 are subject neither to *imposta sostitutiva* nor to any other income tax in the hands of a real estate investment fund. A withholding tax may apply in certain circumstances at the rate of 20 per cent. on distributions made by real estate investment funds.

If an Investor is resident in Italy and is an open-ended or closed-ended investment fund (the "**Fund**") or a SICAV, and the Securities are deposited with an authorised intermediary, interest, premium and other income accrued during such Investor's holding period will not be subject to *imposta sostitutiva*. A withholding tax may apply in certain circumstances at the rate of 20 per cent. on distributions made by the Fund or the SICAV to certain categories of investors.

Where an Italian resident Investor is a pension fund (subject to the regime provided for by article 17 of the Legislative Decree No. 252 of 5 December 2005, as subsequently amended) and the Securities are deposited with an authorised intermediary, interest (including the difference between the redemption amount and the issue price), premium and other income relating to the Securities and accrued during the holding period will not be subject to *imposta sostitutiva*, but must be included in the result of the relevant portfolio accrued at the end of the tax period, to be subject to the 11 per cent. special tax applicable to Italian pension funds.

Pursuant to Decree No. 239, *imposta sostitutiva* is applied by banks, *società di intermediazione mobiliare* ("**SIMs**"), fiduciary companies, *società di gestione del risparmio*, stockbrokers and other entities identified by a decree of the Ministry of Economics and Finance (each an "**Intermediary**").

For the Intermediary to be entitled to apply the *imposta sostitutiva*, it must

- (a) be resident in Italy; or
- (b) be resident outside Italy, with a permanent establishment in Italy; or
- (c) be an entity or a company not resident in Italy, acting through a system of centralised administration of securities and directly connected with the Department of Revenue of the Italian Ministry of Finance having appointed an Italian representative for the purposes of Decree No. 239; and
- (d) intervene, in any way, in the collection of interest or in the transfer of the Securities. For the purpose of the application of the *imposta sostitutiva*, a transfer of Securities includes any assignment or other act, either with or without consideration, which results in a change of the ownership of the relevant Securities or a transfer of the Securities to another deposit or account held with the same or another Intermediary.

Where the Securities are not deposited with an Intermediary, the *imposta sostitutiva* is applied and withheld by any entity paying interest to an Investor. If interest and other proceeds on the Securities are not collected through an Intermediary or any entity paying interest and as such no *imposta sostitutiva* is levied, the Italian resident beneficial owners listed above under (a) to (d) (inclusive) will be required to include interest and other proceeds in their yearly income tax return and subject them to a final substitute tax at a rate of 20 per cent. The Italian individual Investor may elect instead to pay ordinary personal income tax ("**IRPEF**") at the applicable progressive rates in respect of the payments; if so, the Investor should generally benefit from a tax credit for withholding taxes applied outside of Italy, if any.

#### *Non-Italian resident investors*

No Italian *imposta sostitutiva* is applied on payments to a non-Italian resident Investor of interest or premium relating to the Securities, provided that, if the Securities are held in Italy, the non-Italian resident Investor declares itself to be a non-Italian resident according to Italian tax regulations.

#### *Securities not having 100 per cent. capital protection guaranteed by the Issuer*

In the case of Securities representing debt instruments implying a "use of capital" do not guarantee the total reimbursement of the principal in cash, under Italian tax law they should qualify as "atypical

securities" (*titoli atipici*) and payments in respect of such Securities received by Italian investors would be subject to the following regime:

- (a) if the Securities are placed (*collocati*) in Italy, payments made to individual investors holding the Securities not in connection with a trade (*esercizio di attività commerciali*) will be subject to a 20 per cent. final "entrance" withholding tax. (i.e., at source). This withholding tax is required to be levied by the entrusted Italian resident bank or financial intermediary, if any, that is involved in the collection of payments on the Securities, in the repurchase or in the transfer of the Securities;
- (b) if the Securities are not placed (*collocati*) in Italy or in any case where payments on the Securities are not received through an entrusted Italian resident bank or financial intermediary (that is involved in the collection of payments on the Securities, in the repurchase or in the transfer thereof) and no entrance withholding tax is required to be levied, the individual beneficial owners will be required to declare the payments in their income tax return and subject them to a final substitute tax at a rate of 20 per cent. The Italian individual Investor may elect instead to pay ordinary IRPEF at the progressive rates applicable to them in respect of the payments; if so, the Investor should generally benefit from a tax credit for withholding taxes applied outside Italy, if any.

### Capital Gains Tax

Any gain obtained from the sale, early redemption or redemption of the Securities would be treated as part of the taxable income (and, in certain circumstances, depending on the "status" of the Investor, also as part of the net value of production for IRAP purposes) if realised by: (i) an Italian resident company; (ii) an Italian resident commercial partnership; (iii) the Italian permanent establishment of foreign entities to which the Securities are *effectively connected*; or (iv) Italian resident individuals engaged in a trade (*esercizio di attività commerciali*) to which the Securities are connected.

Where an Italian resident Investor is an individual not holding the Securities in connection with an entrepreneurial activity, any capital gain realised by such Investor from the sale, early redemption or redemption of the Securities would be subject to an *imposta sostitutiva*, levied at the current rate of 20 per cent. Under some conditions and limitations, investors may set off losses with gains. This rule applies also to certain other entities holding the Securities. In respect of the application of the *imposta sostitutiva*, taxpayers may opt for one of the three regimes described below.

- (a) Under the tax declaration regime (*regime della dichiarazione*), which is the ordinary regime for taxation of capital gains realised by Italian resident individuals not engaged in a trade (*esercizio di attività commerciali*) to which the Securities are connected, the *imposta sostitutiva* on capital gains will be chargeable, on a yearly cumulative basis, on all capital gains, net of any incurred capital loss, realised by the Italian resident individual. The Investor holding Securities not in connection with a trade (*esercizio di attività commerciali*) must indicate the overall capital gains realised in any tax year, net of any relevant incurred capital loss, in the annual tax return and pay *imposta sostitutiva* on such gains together with any balance of income tax due for such year. Capital losses in excess of capital gains may be carried forward against capital gains realised in any of the four succeeding tax years.
- (b) As an alternative to the tax declaration regime, the Italian resident individual Investor holding the Securities not in connection with a trade (*esercizio di attività commerciali*) may elect to pay the *imposta sostitutiva* separately on capital gains realised on each sale, early redemption or redemption of the Securities (the *risparmio amministrato* regime provided for by Article 6 of the Legislative Decree 21 November 1997, No. 461 as a subsequently amended, the "Decree No. 461"). Such separate taxation of capital gains is allowed subject to: (1) the Securities being deposited with Italian banks, SIMs or certain authorised financial intermediaries; and (2) an express valid election for the *risparmio amministrato* regime being punctually made in writing by the relevant Investor. The depository is responsible for accounting for *imposta sostitutiva* in respect of capital gains realised on each sale or redemption of the Securities (as well as in respect of capital gains realised upon the revocation of its mandate), net of any incurred capital loss, and is required to pay the relevant amount to the Italian Tax Authorities on behalf of the taxpayer, deducting a corresponding amount from the proceeds to be credited to the Investor or using funds provided by the Investor for this

purpose. Under the *risparmio amministrato* regime, where a sale, early redemption or redemption of the Securities results in a capital loss, such loss may be deducted from capital gains subsequently realised, within the same Securities management, in the same tax year or in the following tax years up to the fourth. Under the *risparmio amministrato* regime, the Investor is not required to declare the capital gains in its annual tax return.

- (c) Any capital gains realised or accrued by Italian resident individual investors holding the Securities not in connection with a trade (*esercizio di attività commerciali*) who have entrusted the management of their financial assets, including the Securities, to an authorised intermediary and have validly opted for the so-called *risparmio gestito* regime (the regime provided by Article 7 of Decree No. 461) will be included in the computation of the annual increase in value of the managed assets accrued, even if not realised, at year end, subject to a 20 per cent. substitute tax, to be paid by the managing authorised intermediary. Under the *risparmio gestito* regime, any depreciation of the managed assets accrued at year end may be carried forward against increase in value of the managed assets accrued in any of the four succeeding tax years. Under the *risparmio gestito* regime, the Investor is not required to declare the capital gains realised in its annual tax return.

Any capital gains realised by an Investor which is an Italian resident real estate investment fund established pursuant to Article 37 of Legislative Decree No. 58 of 24 February 1998, as amended and supplemented, and Article 14-bis of Law No. 86 of 25 January 1994 are subject neither to substitute tax nor to any other income tax in the hands of a real estate investment fund.

Any capital gains realised by an Investor which is a Fund or a SICAV will neither be subject to *imposta sostitutiva* nor to any form of taxation in the hands of the Fund or of the SICAV, but any income paid by a Fund or by a SICAV in favour of its participants will be subject to taxation in accordance with the specific rules provided for the different kind of participants.

Any capital gains realised by an Investor which is an Italian pension fund (subject to the regime provided for by Article 17 of the Legislative Decree No. 252 of 5 December 2005, as subsequently amended) will be included in the result of the relevant portfolio accrued at the end of the tax period, to be subject to the special 11 per cent. tax applicable to Italian pension funds.

#### *Non-Italian resident investors*

Capital gains realised by non-Italian resident investors from the sale or redemption of the Securities are not subject to Italian taxation, provided that the Securities (1) are transferred on regulated markets, or (2) if not transferred on regulated markets, are held outside Italy.

## **2. Securities representing derivative financial instruments or bundles of derivative financial instruments**

Payments in respect of Securities qualifying as securitised derivative financial instruments received by Italian investors (not engaged in a trade (*esercizio di attività commerciali*) to which the Securities are connected) as well as capital gains realised by such Italian investors on any sale or transfer for consideration of the Securities or redemption thereof are subject to a 20 per cent. capital gain tax, which applies under the tax declaration regime, the *risparmio amministrato* tax regime or the *risparmio gestito* tax regime according to the same rules described above under the section "Capital Gains Tax" above.

Payments in respect of Securities qualifying as securitised derivative financial instruments received by Italian investors which carry out commercial activities are not subject to the 20 per cent. capital gain tax, but the proceeds are included in their taxable income and subject to taxation in accordance with the ordinary rules.

## **3. Inheritance and gift tax**

Transfers of any valuable assets (including the Securities) as a result of death or *inter vivos* gift (or other transfers for no consideration) and the creation of liens on such assets for a specific purpose are taxed as follows:



- (a) four per cent. if the transfer is made to spouses and direct descendants or ancestors; in this case, the transfer is subject to tax on that part of the value that exceeds EUR 1,000,000 (per beneficiary);
- (b) six per cent. if the transfer is made to brothers and sisters; in this case, the transfer is subject to the tax on that part of the value that exceeds EUR 100,000 (per beneficiary);
- (c) six per cent. if the transfer is made to relatives up to the fourth degree (*parenti fino al quarto grado*), to persons related by direct affinity as well as to persons related by collateral affinity up to the third degree (*affini in linea retta nonché affini in linea collaterale fino al terzo grado*); and
- (d) eight per cent. in all other cases.

If the transfer is made in favour of persons with severe disabilities, the tax applies on that part of the value that exceeds EUR 1,500,000.

Moreover, an anti-avoidance rule is provided in the case of a gift of assets, such as the Securities, whose sale for consideration would give rise to capital gains to be subject to the *imposta sostitutiva* provided for by Decree No. 461, as subsequently amended. In particular, if the donee sells the Securities for consideration within five years from their receipt as a gift, the latter is required to pay the relevant *imposta sostitutiva* as if the gift had never taken place.

#### 4. Transfer tax

Transfer tax previously generally payable on the transfer of the Securities has been abolished. A EUR 168.00 registration tax may be applicable to the transfer of the Securities under certain circumstances.

#### 5. Tax monitoring obligations

Italian resident individuals will be required to report in their yearly income tax return, according to Law Decree No. 167 of 28 June 1990, converted into law by Law No. 227 of 4 August 1990, for tax monitoring purposes, the amount of any transfers from abroad, towards abroad and occurring abroad, related to the Securities, occurring during each tax year, if these transfers exceed in the aggregate EUR 10,000. This also applies in the case that at the end of the tax year, Securities are no longer held by Italian individuals.

Italian individuals will however not be required to comply with the above reporting requirements with respect to Securities deposited for management with qualified Italian financial intermediaries and with respect to contracts entered into through their intervention, upon condition that the items of income derived from the Securities are received through the intervention of the same intermediaries.

#### 6. European Savings directive

Legislative decree No. 84 of 18 April 2005 ("**Decree No. 84**") implemented in Italy, as of 1 July 2005, the European Council Directive No. 2003/48/EC on the taxation of savings income. Under the Directive, Member States, if a number of important conditions are met, are required to provide to the tax authorities of another Member State details of payments of interest (or similar income) paid by a person within their jurisdiction to an individual resident in that other Member State. However, for a transitional period, Belgium, Luxembourg and Austria will instead be required (unless during that period they elect otherwise) to operate a withholding system in relation to such payments (the ending of such transitional period being dependent upon the conclusion of certain other agreements relating to information exchange with certain other countries). The same details of payments of interest (or similar income) shall be provided to the tax authorities of a number of non-EU countries and territories, which have agreed to adopt similar measures with effect from the same date. However, Belgium announced that it had decided to apply information exchange as per the EC Council Directive 2003/48/EC as from 1 January 2010. Therefore, with regard to Belgium the transitional period ended on 31 December 2009.

Under Decree No. 84, subject to a number of important conditions being met, in the case of interest paid to individuals which qualify as beneficial owners of the interest payment and are resident for tax purposes in another Member State, Italian qualified paying agents shall report to the Italian Tax Authorities details of the relevant payments and personal information on the individual beneficial

owner. Such information is transmitted by the Italian Tax Authorities to the competent foreign tax authorities of the State of residence of the beneficial owner.

### **Norwegian Tax Considerations**

*The following is an overview of certain Norwegian tax consequences for Holders who are resident in Norway for tax purposes. The overview is based on legislation as at the date of this document. The overview is intended to provide general information only and does not deal comprehensively with all tax consequences that may occur for holders of the Notes or the Instruments. The tax treatment of each Holder partly depends on the Holder's specific situation. Special tax consequences that are not described below may apply for certain categories of tax payers, including, mutual funds and persons who are not resident in Norway. It is recommended that prospective applicants for the Notes or Instruments consult their own tax advisers for information with respect to the special tax consequences that may arise as a result of holding the Notes or the Instruments, including the applicability and effect of foreign income tax rules, provisions contained in double taxation treaties and other rules which may be applicable. Any changes to applicable tax laws may have a retrospective effect.*

#### **Taxation of the Notes**

##### *Classification*

The Notes will normally be classified as debt instruments for Norwegian tax purposes, and this is assumed in the following. It is also assumed that the Notes are debentures (*mengdegjeldsbrev*). The definition of *mengdegjeldsbrev* is several debt instruments issued at the same time with identical text.

A convertible bond is a combination of a bond and a warrant giving the right to subscribe for shares by way of setting off against the bond (conversion). In December 2011, the Norwegian Supreme Court ruled that convertible bonds (including the warrant) shall be taxed according to the rules applicable to debt instruments. However, if the holder is entitled to divide the convertible bond into a separate bond and a separate warrant, there are arguments that the warrant should be taxed separately from the bond, even if no split is carried out. The warrant will in any case be taxed according to the rules applicable to equity instruments, see "Taxation of the Instruments" below.

##### *Taxation of return on the Notes prior to disposal*

Any kind of return received on the Notes prior to the disposal is taxable as "ordinary income" subject to the flat rate of 28 per cent. return on the Notes is taxed on an accruals basis (i.e. regardless of when the return is actually paid). If Notes are issued with a discount compared to the redemption price, the discount will normally be treated as a return on the Notes and taxed on a running basis over the term of the Notes.

##### *Taxation upon disposal or redemption of the Notes*

Redemption at the end of the term as well, as prior disposal, is treated as realisation of the Notes and will trigger a capital gain or loss. Capital gains will be taxable as "ordinary income", subject to the flat rate of 28 per cent. Losses will normally be deductible in the Holder's "ordinary income", taxed at the same tax rate.

Any capital gain or loss is computed as the difference between the amount received by the Holder on realisation and the cost price of the Notes. The cost price is equal to the price for which the Holder acquired the Notes (with the addition of any discount taxed on a running basis over the term of the Notes, see above). Costs incurred in connection with the acquisition and realisation of the Notes may be deducted from the Holder's taxable income in the year of the realisation.

##### *Norwegian withholding tax*

Payments on the Notes will not be subject to Norwegian withholding tax.

##### *Net wealth taxation*

The value of the Notes at the end of each income year will be included in the computation of the Holder's taxable net wealth for municipal and state net wealth tax purposes. Listed Notes are valued at

their quoted value on 1 January in the assessment year, while non-listed Notes are valued at their estimated market value on 1 January in the assessment year. The marginal tax rate is currently 1.1 per cent.

Limited companies and similar entities are not subject to net wealth taxation.

#### *Transfer taxes, etc. – VAT*

There are currently no Norwegian transfer taxes, stamp duty or similar taxes connected to purchase, disposal or redemption of the Notes. Furthermore, there is no VAT on transfer of the Notes.

### ***Taxation of the Instruments***

#### *Separate or integrated taxation*

Whether the Instruments will be subject to separate taxation on settlement or integrated taxation with the underlying assets depends *inter alia* on the nature of the underlying object of the Instruments. Financial options, i.e. options on shares, debentures, foreign currency, quoted financial instruments and index options are always taxed separately from the underlying asset. Whether other financial instruments than financial options shall be taxed separately or integrated, must be evaluated in each case. However, financial instruments will as a starting point be subject to separate taxation if the purpose of the instrument is not mainly to arrange for the transfer of the underlying object of the instrument. On this basis the Instruments will most likely be subject to separate taxation in Norway. This is assumed in the following.

### ***Individuals***

#### *Tax liability*

Both return received on the Instruments (in the form of payments from the issuer) and capital gains received on realisation (including sale) of the Instruments are as a main rule taxable as ordinary income, which is currently taxed at a flat rate of 28 per cent for Norwegian individuals. Losses on realisation of the Instruments are deductible in the ordinary income of the individual.

#### *Calculation of capital gains and losses*

Capital gain or loss is computed as the difference between the consideration received on realisation and the cost price of the Instruments. The cost price of the Instruments is equal to the price for which the Holder acquired the Instruments. Costs incurred in connection with the acquisition and realisation of the Instruments may be deducted from the Holder's ordinary income in the year of realisation. In the case of physical settlement of the Instruments, the capital gain will be computed as the difference between the market value of the underlying asset and the cost price of the Instruments (premium) including the exercise price.

#### *Settlement, sale and lapse of Warrants*

Capital gains taxation is triggered on settlement or sale of the Warrant. The calculation of capital gains and losses is accounted for above.

If the Warrant should lapse, it is deemed realised, incurring a loss equal to the acquisition cost. A loss is deductible as set out above.

#### *Settlement and sale of Certificates*

Settlement at the end of the term as well as prior disposal is treated as realisation of the Certificates and will trigger a capital gain or loss. The calculation of capital gains and losses is accounted for above.

#### *Net wealth taxation*

The value of the Instruments at the end of each income year will be included in the computation of the Holder's taxable net wealth for municipal and state net wealth tax purposes. Listed Instruments are valued at their quoted value on 1 January in the assessment year, while non-listed Instruments are valued at their estimated market value. The marginal tax rate is currently 1.1 per cent.

## Taxation

### *Transfer taxes etc. – VAT*

There is currently no Norwegian transfer taxes, stamp duty or similar taxes connected to purchase, disposal or settlement of the Instruments. Holders who are resident in Norway for tax purposes are not subject to withholding taxes in Norway in relation to the Instruments. Furthermore, there is no VAT on transfer of the Instruments.

### **Legal entities**

Both return received on the Instruments in the form of payments from the Issuer and capital gains received on realisation (including sale) of the Instruments are as a main rule taxable as ordinary income, which is currently taxed at a flat rate of 28 per cent for Norwegian legal entities such as limited companies and similar entities. Losses on realisation of the Instruments are deductible in the ordinary income of the entity. The taxation is as a starting point triggered and calculated as described in the section concerning "Individuals", see above.

However, legal entities may benefit from the Norwegian exemption method. The exemption method is as a main rule applicable to gains and yields on shares/ownership interests in companies, mutual funds and similar entities located within the EEA, as well as financial instruments with such shares/ownership interests as an underlying. Gains and yields covered by the exemption method are exempt from taxation, and losses are correspondingly not tax deductible. However, three per cent of dividends from shares as a main rule are taxed at the ordinary rate of 28 per cent, meaning that dividends from shares covered by the exemption method are effectively taxed at a rate of 0.84 per cent ( $28 \times 0.03$ ).

Stock index options will also comprise the exemption method, but only as long as the index substantially (i.e. 90 per cent or more according to statements of the tax authorities) is related to companies resident within the EU/EEA.

As mentioned above, there are no transfer taxes, stamp duty or similar taxes connected to purchase, disposal or settlement of the Instruments. Holders who are resident in Norway for tax purposes are not subject to withholding taxes in Norway in relation to the Instruments. Furthermore, there is no VAT on the transfer of the Instruments. Limited companies and similar entities are not subject to net wealth taxation.

## **Polish Taxation**

*The following information on certain Polish taxation matters is based on the laws and practice in force as of the date of this Base Prospectus and is subject to any changes in law and the interpretation and application thereof, which changes could be made with retroactive effect. The following information does not purport to be a comprehensive description of all the tax consequences and considerations that may be relevant to acquisition, holding, disposing and redeeming of or cancelling (as applicable) the Securities, and does not purport to deal with the tax consequences applicable to all categories of investors. The following information is based on the assumption that no Agent is located in Poland. The following information is not intended to be, nor should it be construed to be, legal or tax advice. It is recommended that potential purchasers of the Securities consult with their legal and tax advisers as to the tax consequences of the purchase, holding, sale or redemption.*

### **Withholding tax**

No withholding tax will be levied in Poland on interest earned under the Securities.

### **Taxation of income**

#### *Polish resident individuals*

Individuals having their place of residence in Poland ("**Polish Resident Individuals**") are subject to Polish Personal Income Tax ("**PIT**") on their worldwide incomes irrespective of the country from which the incomes were derived. Income earned by Polish Resident Individuals on the disposal or redemption of Securities should not be combined with income from other sources but will be subject to the 19 per cent. flat PIT rate. The income is calculated as the difference between the revenue earned on the disposal or redemption of Securities (in principle, the selling price or redemption amount) and the

related costs (in principle, the issue price). The tax is settled by Polish Resident Individuals on an annual basis. Interest under Securities earned by a Polish Resident Individuals should not be combined with income from other sources and will be subject to the 19 per cent. flat PIT rate. The tax is settled by Polish Resident Individuals on an annual basis. Generally, tax withheld in other countries on interest income can be deducted against tax payable on this income in Poland unless otherwise provided for by the provisions of the Double Tax Treaty concluded between Poland and the country where the tax was withheld.

#### *Polish resident entities*

Entities having their seat or place of management in Poland ("**Polish Resident Entities**") are subject to Polish Corporate Income Tax ("**CIT**") on their worldwide incomes irrespective of the country from which the incomes were derived. Income earned by Polish Resident Entities on the disposal or redemption of Securities is subject to the 19 per cent. CIT rate. The income is calculated as the difference between the revenue earned on the disposal or redemption of Securities (in principle, the selling price or redemption amount) and the related costs (in principle, the issue price).

The amount of interest earned by a Polish Resident Entity under Securities is subject to the 19 per cent. CIT rate. Generally, tax withheld in other countries on interest income can be deducted against tax payable on this income in Poland unless otherwise provided for by the provisions of the Double Tax Treaty concluded between Poland and country where the tax was withheld.

#### *Non-resident individuals and entities*

Individuals and entities that are Polish non-residents will not generally be subject to Polish taxes on income resulting from the disposal or redemption of Securities unless such income is attributable to an enterprise which is either managed in Poland or carried on through a permanent establishment in Poland. However, some double tax treaties concluded by Poland may provide for a different tax treatment (for example, in case of the disposal of share/securities in a real estate company). In addition, in the case of individuals resident in a country which does not have a double tax treaty with Poland, there may be a risk of taxation of the types of income referred to in this paragraph, in the case of the disposal/redemption of Securities quoted on the Warsaw Stock Exchange.

#### *Taxation of inheritances and donations*

The Polish tax on inheritance and donations is paid by individuals who received title to Securities by right of succession, as legacy, further legacy, testamentary instruction or gift only if at the moment of the acquisition of the Securities the acquirers were the Polish citizens or had residence within the territory of Poland. The rates of tax on inheritances and donations vary depending on the degree of kinship by blood, kinship through marriage or other types of personal relationships existing between the testator and the heir, or between the donor and the donee (the degree of the kinship is decisive for the assignment to a given tax group). The tax rate varies from three per cent. to 20 per cent. of the taxable base depending on the tax group to which the recipient was assigned. Acquisition of ownership of Securities by a spouse, descendants, ascendants, stepchildren, siblings, stepfather or stepmother is tax exempt if the beneficiary notifies the head of the competent tax office of the acquisition within six months of the day when the tax liability arose or, in the case of an inheritance, within six months of the day when the court decision confirming the acquisition of the inheritance becomes final.

#### *Tax on civil law transactions*

Generally tax on civil law transactions at the rate of one per cent. is levied on the sale or exchange of the rights exercised in Poland. The taxpayer of this tax is only the purchaser of the rights. The tax is also imposed on agreements for the sale or exchange of the rights exercised outside Poland (including Securities) only if the sale or exchange agreement is concluded in Poland and the purchaser has a place of residence or seat in the territory of Poland. However, the sale of Securities (i) to investment firms (including foreign investment firms), or (ii) via investment firms (including foreign investment firms) acting as intermediaries, or (iii) the sale of the Securities either on the Warsaw Stocks Exchange or on any multilateral trading facility operating in accordance with relevant regulations (i.e. in the "Organised trading"), or (iv) outside the Organised trading by investment firms (including foreign investment firms) if the Securities had been acquired by such firms as a part of Organised trading - is exempt from tax on civil law transactions.

### ***Other Taxes***

No other Polish taxes should be applicable to the Securities.

### ***Polish implementation of the EU Savings Tax Directive***

In accordance with EC Council Directive 2003/48/EC on the taxation of savings income, Poland will provide to the tax authorities of another EU member state (and certain non-EU countries and associated territories specified in that directive) details of payments of interest or other similar income paid or made available by a person having its seat within Poland to, or collected by such a person for, an individual resident in such other state.

### **Portuguese Tax Considerations**

*The following is a general description of certain Portuguese withholding tax considerations relating to the Securities. It does not purport to be a complete analysis of all tax considerations relating to the Securities, whether in Portugal or elsewhere, neither does it purport to address the tax consequences applicable to all categories of investors, some of which may be subject to special rules. This overview is based upon the law as in effect on the date of this Base Prospectus. It is subject to any change of the law that may apply after such date. The information contained within this section is limited to withholding taxation on income paid to Portuguese resident entities, and prospective investors should not apply any information set out below to other areas. Prospective purchasers of the Securities should consult their own tax advisers as to the consequences of making an investment in, holding or disposing of the Securities and the receipt of any amount under the Securities.*

Payments of interest (and principal) and other income by the relevant Issuers under the Securities may in principle be made without any withholding for or on account of Portuguese taxes to the extent that the relevant Issuers are not residents of Portugal or are not otherwise acting through a Portuguese permanent establishment.

However, interest and other income (excluding capital gains) arising from the Securities is subject to withholding tax at a 28 per cent. rate when paid or made available by Portuguese resident entities (acting on behalf of the Issuer or of the holders of the Securities) to Portuguese resident individuals, in which case tax should be withheld by the former.

In this case, the holder of the Securities may choose to treat the withholding tax as a final tax or to tax the income at the general progressive income tax rates of up to 48 per cent. (plus (i) an additional surcharge of 2.5 per cent. applicable on income exceeding EUR 80,000 and up to EUR 250,000 and of 5 per cent. applicable on income exceeding EUR 250,000 and (ii) a surtax of 3.5 per cent. on income exceeding the annual national minimum wage), in which case the withholding will be considered as a payment on account of the final tax liability.

Such income when paid or made available to accounts in the name of one or more resident accountholders acting on behalf of unidentified third parties is subject to a final withholding tax rate of 35 per cent. unless the relevant beneficial owners of the income are identified, in which case the general tax rules apply.

A withholding tax rate of 35 per cent. also applies to income due by non-resident entities domiciled in a country, territory or region subject to a clearly more favourable tax regime included in the "low tax jurisdictions" list (approved by Ministerial order no. 150/2004, of 13 February 2004, as amended) and paid or made available by Portuguese resident entities to individuals resident in Portugal.

### **EU Savings Directive**

Under EC Council Directive no. 2003/48/EC, of 3 June 2003, on taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments, Member States are required to provide to the tax authorities of another Member State, details of payments of interest (or similar income) paid by a person within its jurisdiction to an individual resident in that other Member State.

A number of non-EU countries and certain dependent or associated territories of certain Member States have agreed to adopt similar measures (either provision of information or transitional withholding) in relation to payments made by a person within its jurisdiction to, or collected by such a person for, an

individual resident in a Member State. In addition, the Member States have entered into reciprocal provision of information or transitional withholding arrangements with certain of those dependent or associated territories in relation to payments made by a person in a Member State to, or collected by such a person for, an individual resident in one of those territories.

Portugal has implemented the above Directive on taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments into the Portuguese law through Decree-Law no. 62/2005, of 11 March 2005, as amended by Law no. 39-A/2005, of 29 July 2005.

### **Slovak Taxation**

In the case where (a) payments vis-à-vis Slovak investors and related to the specific Securities notes and/or treasury bills (*dlhopisy a/alebo pokladničné poukážky*) issued on the basis of the Base Prospectus will be made either by an English entity (Citibank London, as the transfer agent), "residing" in London and not having a permanent establishment (*stála prevádzkareň*) in Slovakia or by a Luxembourg entity (Dexia Luxembourg, as the transfer agent), "residing" in Luxembourg and not having a permanent establishment in Slovakia, and (b) neither Slovak entities nor Slovak resident transfer/payment agents will take care of the payments related to the specific securities (notes and/or treasury bills), such payments related to the above Securities (notes and/or treasury bills) will not be subject to the withholding or securing tax in the Slovak Republic.

If the payments related to the specific Securities (notes and/or treasury bills, except state notes and/or state treasury bills) are paid by the paying agent resident or having a permanent establishment in the Slovak Republic, there is a high risk that the interest or any other similar income paid (i) to individuals, (ii) to a taxable party not established or founded to conduct business (e.g. associations of legal entities, chambers of professionals, civic associations, including trade union organisations, political parties and movements, churches and religious communities recognised by the State, etc.), (iii) to the National Property Fund of the Slovak Republic, (iv) to the National Bank of Slovakia or (v) to a non-resident legal entity not conducting business in the territory of the Slovak Republic through a permanent establishment (i.e. a legal entity not having its registered office or its place of actual management or its permanent establishment in the territory of the Slovak Republic – non-Slovak tax resident) could be subject to the 19 per cent. withholding tax.

Furthermore, any interest paid or any other similar income from notes paid by the paying agent resident or having a permanent establishment in the Slovak Republic to other non-Slovak tax resident not mentioned in the previous paragraph may still be subject to 19 per cent securing tax, unless the non-Slovak tax resident is a tax resident of an EU Member State (in which case no tax securing is required). Furthermore, no tax securing should be required if a non-Slovak tax resident proves that he already pays Slovak income tax prepayments; the respective tax administrator may however decide otherwise. In any case, such tax security would be subsequently credited against the final Slovak tax liability of the non-Slovak tax resident. The applicable Double Taxation Treaty may further provide for exemption or credit of the whole amount of such tax paid in Slovakia or part thereof.

If the payments related to the specific Securities being state notes and/or state treasury bills are paid by the paying agent resident or having a permanent establishment in the Slovak Republic, there is a high risk that the interest paid (i) to a taxable party not established or founded to conduct business (e.g. associations of legal entities, chambers of professionals, civic associations, including trade union organisations, political parties and movements, churches and religious communities recognised by the State, etc.), (ii) to the National Property Fund of the Slovak Republic or (iii) to the National Bank of Slovakia could be subject to the 19 per cent. withholding tax (self-assessed by these taxpayers).

The payments related to the specific Securities being state notes and/or state treasury bills which are paid by the paying agent resident or having a permanent establishment in the Slovak Republic to individuals, is generally subject to Slovak personal income tax at the 19 per cent. to 25 per cent. rate through their Slovak income tax return.

Furthermore, please note that the tax consideration of the regime of interest paid to other types of taxable parties, as mentioned above or the tax consideration of the regime of interest paid from others types of securities as notes and/or treasury bills, if applicable, would be much more complex and would require separate more detailed consideration.

### ***Capital Gains***

Income realised by a non-Slovak tax resident, not holding the specific Securities through a permanent establishment in the Slovak Republic, from the sale of the specific Securities: (i) to a Slovak tax resident, or (ii) to a Slovak permanent establishment of another non-Slovak tax resident will be subject to taxation in the Slovak Republic, unless an applicable Double Taxation Treaty provides for other taxation of income or capital gains realised from the sale of the specific Securities by such non-Slovak tax resident. Most of the applicable Double Taxation Treaties do not permit taxation of such income in the Slovak Republic at all.

If such income realised by a non-Slovak tax resident still remains taxable in the Slovak Republic under the previous paragraph and the applicable Double Taxation Treaty does not state otherwise, a 19 per cent. securing tax is deducted by the purchaser, unless the non-Slovak tax resident is a tax resident of an EU Member State (in which case no tax securing is required). Furthermore, no tax securing should be required if a non-Slovak tax resident proves that he already pays Slovak income tax prepayments; the respective tax administrator may however decide otherwise. In any case, such tax security would be subsequently credited against the final Slovak tax liability of the non-Slovak tax resident. The applicable Double Taxation Treaty may further provide for exemption or credit of the whole amount of such tax paid in Slovakia or part thereof.

Income realised by Slovak tax residents from the sale of the specific Securities is generally subject to Slovak corporate income tax at 23 per cent. flat rate or personal income tax at the 19 per cent. to 25 per cent. rate. Losses from the sale of the specific Securities will only be tax deductible if the conditions prescribed by Act No. 595/2003 Coll. on Income Tax, as amended are met.

If the income related to sale of the specific Securities (notes and/ or treasury bills) are paid by the paying agent resident or having a permanent establishment in the Slovak Republic, there is a high risk that such income paid (i) to a taxable party not established or founded to conduct business (e.g. associations of legal entities, chambers of professionals, civic associations, including trade union organisations, political parties and movements, churches and religious communities recognised by the State, etc.), (ii) to the National Property Fund of the Slovak Republic or (iii) to the National Bank of Slovakia could be subject to the 19 per cent. withholding tax (self-assessed by these taxpayers).

### ***Revaluation differences***

Slovak tax residents that prepare their financial statements under the Slovak Accounting Standards for Entrepreneurs or under the International Financial Reporting Standards may be required to revalue the specific Securities to fair value for accounting purposes, whereby the revaluation would be accounted for as revenue or expense. Such revenue is generally taxable and the corresponding expense should be generally tax deductible for Slovak tax purposes.

### ***Other applicable taxes***

No Slovak stamp duty, registration, transfer or similar taxes will be payable in connection with the acquisition, ownership, sale or disposal of the specific Securities.

### **Slovak implementation of EU Savings Directive**

Under Directive 2003/48/EC on the taxation of savings income that has been implemented in Slovak law, Member States are required to provide to the tax authorities of another Member State details of payments of interest (as defined in the Savings Directive) made by a paying agent (as defined in the Savings Directive) within its jurisdiction to an individual resident in that other Member State. During a transitional period, Austria and Luxembourg are required (unless during that period they require otherwise) to apply a withholding tax on interest payments instead of providing details of payments of interest to the tax authorities of other Member States. The rate of such withholding tax from July 2011 until the end of the transitional period is 35 per cent.

A number of third countries and dependent or associated territories have adopted similar measures with effect from 1 July 2005.

### **South African Taxation**



*The information below is intended to be a general guide to the relevant tax laws of South Africa as at the date of this Base Prospectus and is not intended as comprehensive advice and does not purport to describe all of the considerations that may be relevant to a prospective purchaser of, or subscriber for, South African Notes. Prospective purchasers of, or subscribers for, South African Notes should consult their own professional advisers in regard to the purchase of, or subscription for, South African Notes and the tax implications thereof.*

### ***Withholding Tax***

Under current taxation law in South Africa, all payments made under the South African Notes to resident and non-resident Noteholders will generally be made free of withholding or deduction for or on account of any taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges in South Africa.

The withholding tax on interest was introduced into the South African Income Tax Act, 1962 (the "**Income Tax Act**") by the South African Taxation Laws Amendment Act, 2010 and the South African Taxation Laws Amendment Act, 2012 (together, the "**TLAA**") and, in terms of the TLAA, withholding tax on interest is to come into effect on 1 July 2013 and will be applicable in respect of interest that accrues, or interest that is paid or that becomes due and payable on or after 1 July 2013. It is proposed in the TLAA that the withholding tax will be imposed at the rate of 15 per cent. of the amount of any interest that is paid by any person to or for the benefit of any foreign person to the extent that such amount of interest is from a South African source in terms of the Income Tax Act. For the purposes of withholding tax, a "*foreign person*" is defined as any person that is not a resident. Accordingly, to the extent that any interest is paid to Noteholders who are South African tax residents, withholding tax will not apply.

In the 2013 Budget Speech, the Minister of Finance announced that the effective date for the introduction of interest withholding tax will be postponed until 1 March 2014. Should this amendment be made to the current Income Tax Act, the interest withholding tax will come into effect on 1 March 2014 and not on 1 July 2013 as proposed in the TLAA.

In terms of the TLAA, South African sourced interest that is paid to a foreign person in respect of any listed debt will be exempt from the withholding tax on interest. In terms of the legislation, a "*listed debt*" is a debt that is listed on a recognised exchange as defined in the Income Tax Act. Also exempt from the withholding tax on interest is any amount of interest from a South African source paid to a foreign person if such foreign person is a natural person who was physically present in South Africa for a period exceeding 183 days in aggregate during the twelve month period preceding the date on which the interest is paid or to a foreign person who at any time during the twelve month period preceding the date on which the interest is paid carried on business in South Africa through a permanent establishment.

Documentary requirements exist in order to rely on the latter exemption.

### ***Securities Transfer Tax***

The issue, transfer and redemption of the South African Notes will not attract securities transfer tax under the South African Securities Transfer Tax Act, 2007 (the "**STT Act**") because the South African Notes do not constitute "*securities*" as defined in the STT Act. Any future transfer duties and/or taxes that may be introduced in respect of (or applicable to) the transfer of South African Notes will be for the account of Noteholders.

### ***Value Added Tax***

No value-added tax ("**VAT**") is payable on the issue or transfer of South African Notes. The issue, sale or transfer of South African Notes constitute "*financial services*" as defined in section 2 of the South African Value-Added Tax Act, 1991 (the "**VAT Act**"). In terms of section 2 of the VAT Act, the issue, allotment, drawing, acceptance, endorsement or transfer of ownership of a debt security is exempt from VAT in terms of section 12(a) of that Act.

However, commissions, fees or similar charges raised for the facilitation of the issue, allotment, drawing, acceptance, endorsement or transfer of ownership of South African Notes will be subject to

VAT at the standard rate (currently 14 per cent.), except where the recipient is a non-resident as contemplated below.

Services (including exempt financial services) rendered to non-residents who are not in South Africa when the services are rendered, are subject to VAT at the zero rate in terms of section 11(2)(l) of the VAT Act.

### ***Income Tax***

Under current taxation law effective in South Africa, a "*resident*" (as defined in section 1 of the Income Tax Act) is subject to income tax on his/her world-wide income. Accordingly, all Noteholders who are "*residents*" of South Africa will generally be liable to pay income tax, subject to available deductions, allowances and exemptions, on any income (including income in the form of interest) earned in respect of the South African Notes.

Non-residents of South Africa are subject to income tax on all income derived from a South African source (subject to applicable double taxation treaties). Interest income is deemed to be derived from a South African source if it is incurred by a South African tax resident (unless it is attributable to a foreign permanent establishment of that resident) or if it is derived from the utilisation or application in South Africa by any person of funds or credit obtained in terms of any form of "*interest bearing arrangement*". The South African Notes will constitute an "*interest bearing arrangement*". Accordingly, if the funds raised from the issuance of any Tranche of South African Notes are applied by the Issuer in South Africa, the interest earned by a Noteholder will be deemed to be from a South African source and subject to South African income tax unless such interest income is exempt from South African income tax under section 10(1)(h) of the Income Tax Act.

Under amendments proposed to be made to section 10(1)(h) of the Income Tax Act, any amount of interest which is received or accrued (during any year of assessment) by or to any person that is not a resident of South Africa is exempt from income tax, unless that person:

- (a) is a natural person who was physically present in South Africa for a period exceeding 183 days in aggregate during the twelve-month period preceding the date on which the interest is received or accrued by or to that person; or
- (b) at any time during that year carried on business through a permanent establishment in South Africa.

The TLAA amends the provisions of section 10(1)(h) of the Income Tax Act as described above, to take into account the introduction of the withholding tax on interest in terms of sections 37I to 37K, and, in terms of current law, the amendment to section 10(1)(h) is due to come into effect from 1 July 2013. It is unclear whether the commencement date of the amendments to section 10(1)(h) will also be delayed to 1 March 2014.

If a Noteholder does not qualify for the exemption under section 10(1)(h) of the Income Tax Act, an exemption from or reduction of any South African tax liability may be available under an applicable double taxation agreement. Furthermore, certain entities may be exempt from income tax. Investors are advised to consult their own professional advisers as to whether the interest income earned on the South African Notes will be exempt under section 10(1)(h) of the Income Tax Act or under an applicable double taxation agreement.

Under section 24J of the Income Tax Act, broadly speaking, any discount or premium to the principal amount of a South African Note is treated as part of the interest income on the South African Note. Interest income which accrues (or is deemed to accrue) to a Noteholder is deemed, in accordance with section 24J of the Income Tax Act, to accrue on a day-to-day basis until that Noteholder disposes of the South African Note or until maturity unless an election has been made by the Noteholder (if the Noteholder is entitled under Section 24J(9) of the Income Tax Act to make such election) to treat its South African Notes as trading stock on a mark-to-market basis. This day-to-day basis accrual is determined by calculating the yield to maturity (as defined in Section 24J of the Income Tax Act) and applying this rate to the capital involved for the relevant tax period. In practice the premium or discount is treated as interest for the purposes of the exemption under section 10(1)(h) of the Income Tax Act. With effect from 1 January 2014, the section 24J(9) election is no longer available and with effect from

that date, section 24JB will deal with the fair value taxation of financial instruments for certain types of taxpayers.

### ***Capital Gains Tax***

Capital gains and losses of residents of South Africa on the disposal of South African Notes are subject to capital gains tax unless the South African Notes are purchased for re-sale in the short term as part of a scheme of profit making, in which case the proceeds will be subject to income tax. Any discount or premium on acquisition which has already been treated as interest for income tax purposes, under section 24J of the Income Tax Act will not be taken into account when determining any capital gain or loss. If the South African Notes are disposed of or redeemed prior to or on maturity, a gain or loss must be calculated. The gain or loss is deemed to have been incurred or to have accrued in the year of assessment in which the transfer or redemption occurred.

Capital gains tax under the Eighth Schedule to the Income Tax Act will not be levied in relation to South African Notes disposed of by a person who is not a resident of South Africa unless the South African Notes disposed of are attributable to a permanent establishment of that person through which a trade is carried on in South Africa during the relevant year of assessment.

Purchasers are advised to consult their own professional advisers as to whether a disposal of South African Notes will result in a liability to capital gains tax.

### ***Definition of Interest***

The references to "*interest*" above mean "*interest*" as understood in South African tax law. The statements above do not take any account of any different definitions of "*interest*" or "*principal*" which may prevail under any other law or which may be created by the terms and conditions of the South African Notes or any related documentation.

### **Spanish Tax Considerations**

*The following is a general description of the Spanish withholding tax treatment and indirect taxation of payments under the Securities. The statements herein regarding Spanish taxes and withholding taxes in Spain are based on the laws in force as well as administrative interpretations thereof in Spain as at the date of this Base Prospectus and are subject to any changes in law occurring after such date, which changes could be made on a retrospective basis. It does not purport to be a complete analysis of all tax considerations relating to the Securities, whether in Spain or elsewhere, which may be relevant to a decision to subscribe for, purchase, own or dispose of the Securities and does not purport to deal with the tax consequences applicable to all categories of investors, some of which (such as dealers in securities or commodities) may be subject to special rules. Prospective purchasers of the Securities should consult their own tax advisers as to which countries' tax laws could be relevant to acquiring, holding and disposing of the Securities and receiving payments of interest, principal and/or other amounts under the Securities and the consequences of such actions under the tax laws of Spain. This overview regarding Spanish taxes and withholding taxes in Spain is based upon Spanish law, as well as administrative interpretations, as in effect on the date of this Base Prospectus, which may change at any time, possibly with retrospective effect.*

### ***Indirect Taxation***

Whatever the nature and residence of the investor, the acquisition and transfer of the Securities will not trigger indirect taxes in Spain, i.e. Transfer Tax, Stamp Duty or Value Added Tax.

### ***Direct Taxation***

#### **1. Spanish resident individuals**

*Personal Income Tax (Impuesto sobre la Renta de las Personas Físicas)*

##### **(a) Warrants**

Following the criterion of the Spanish Directorate-General for Taxation in several rulings (amongst others, rulings dated 27 August 2007, 23 May 2007, 4 August 2004, 14 October

2004, 8 July 2003 and 29 May 2001), income earned by Spanish resident individuals under Warrants should be regarded as capital gains, in which case no withholdings on account of the PIT liability of the relevant Spanish holder of the Warrants will have to be deducted from capital gains earned by Spanish resident individuals under the Warrants.

Notwithstanding that, Spanish resident individuals with capital gains will still be subject to PIT – to be declared in their annual tax returns – according to the following rates:

- (i) In the case of capital gains obtained after the one year holding period (after the acquisition of the Warrant) has elapsed:

- (A) Amounts up to EUR 6,000: 19 per cent.

- (B) Amounts exceeding EUR 6,000: 21 per cent.

However, please note that, for 2012 and 2013 (although it is foreseen to be extended at least for 2014), capital gains will be subject to the following rates:

- (A) Amounts up to EUR 6,000.00: 21 per cent.

- (B) Amounts ranging between EUR 6,000.01 and EUR 24,000: 25 per cent.

- (C) Amounts exceeding EUR 24,000: 27 per cent.

- (ii) In the case of capital gains not obtained after the one year holding period (after the acquisition of the Warrant) has elapsed: the capital gain would be taxed at the taxpayer's marginal tax rate, up to a maximum of 49 per cent. (depending on the Spanish region where the taxpayer's residence is located). However, please note that, for 2012 and 2013 (although it is foreseen to be extended at least for 2014), a special levy increasing the PIT tax rate has been approved, which amounts to a maximum of an additional seven per cent. to be added at the general tax rate.

(b) Certificates and Notes

- (i) Interest payments under the Certificates and Notes

Please note that income earned by Spanish resident individuals under Certificates and Notes should qualify as interest payments. In general, interest payments obtained by Spanish resident individuals should be subject to withholding tax at 19 per cent. (21 per cent. in fiscal years 2012 and 2013, although it is foreseen to be extended at least for 2014) on account of the final PIT liability of the Spanish individual investor. Notwithstanding the above, as non-resident in Spain entities not acting through a permanent establishment are not bound to withhold on account of PIT on payments made to Spanish resident individuals, interest payments under Certificates and Notes should be only subject to withholding tax in Spain in case they are deposited in a depositary entity or individual resident in Spain (or acting through a permanent establishment in Spain) or if an entity or individual resident in Spain (or acting through a permanent establishment in Spain) is in charge of the collection of the income derived from the Certificates and Notes, provided that such income had not been previously subject to withholding tax in Spain.

Notwithstanding the above, Spanish resident individuals earning such income will still be subject to PIT – to be declared in their annual tax returns – according to the following rates:

- (A) Amounts up to EUR 6,000: 19 per cent.

- (B) Amounts exceeding EUR 6,000: 21 per cent.

However, please note that, for 2012 and 2013 only, income will be subject to the following rates:

- (A) Amounts up to EUR 6,000.00: 21 per cent.
  - (B) Amounts ranging between EUR 6,000.01 and EUR 24,000: 25 per cent.
  - (C) Amounts exceeding EUR 24,000: 27 per cent.
- (ii) Income upon transfer or redemption of the Certificates and Notes

In general, income earned upon transfer or redemption of the Certificates and Notes should be subject to Spanish withholding tax at 19 per cent. (21 per cent. in fiscal years 2012 and 2013, although it is foreseen to be extended at least for 2014) on account of the final PIT liability of the Spanish individual investor. Notwithstanding the above, as non-resident in Spain entities not acting through a permanent establishment are not bound to withhold on account of PIT on payments made to Spanish resident individuals, income upon transfer or redemption of the Certificates and Notes should be only subject to withholding tax in Spain in case there is a financial entity acting on behalf of the seller, provided such entity is resident for tax purposes in Spain or has a permanent establishment in the Spanish territory and such income had not been previously subject to withholding tax in Spain. However, when the Securities: (a) are represented in book-entry form; (b) are admitted to trading on a Spanish secondary stock exchange; and (c) generate explicit yield, holders can benefit from a withholding tax exemption in respect of the income arising from the transfer or reimbursement of the Securities. However, under certain circumstances, when a transfer of the Securities has occurred within the 30-day period immediately preceding any relevant coupon payment date such holders may not be eligible for such withholding tax exemption.

Notwithstanding the above, Spanish resident individuals earning such income will still be subject to PIT – to be declared in their annual tax returns – according to the following rates:

- (iii) In the case of capital gains obtained after one year holding period (after the acquisition of the Certificates or Notes) has elapsed:
- (A) Amounts up to EUR 6,000: 19 per cent.
  - (B) Amounts exceeding EUR 6,000: 21 per cent.

However, please note that, for 2012 and 2013 (although it is foreseen to be extended at least to 2014), capital gains will be subject to the following rates:

- (A) Amounts up to EUR 6,000.00: 21 per cent.
  - (B) Amounts ranging between EUR 6,000.01 and EUR 24,000: 25 per cent.
  - (C) Amounts exceeding EUR 24,000: 27 per cent.
- (iv) In the case of capital gains not obtained after one year holding period (after the acquisition of the Certificates or Notes) has elapsed: the capital gain would be taxed at the taxpayer's marginal tax rate, up to a maximum of 49 per cent. (depending on the Spanish region where the taxpayer's residence is located). However, please note that, for 2012 and 2013 (although it is foreseen to be extended at least for 2014), a special levy increasing the PIT tax rate has been approved, which amounts to a maximum of an additional seven per cent. to be added at the general tax rate.

#### *Net Wealth Tax (Impuesto sobre el Patrimonio)*

Please note that, for tax years 2011, 2012 and 2013, the Net Wealth Tax (although it cannot be discarded that this measure may be extended for subsequent tax years) has been re-established for taxpayers whose net wealth is higher than EUR 700,000 (after discounting a maximum of EUR 300,000 in value should the taxpayer own his / her habitual abode).

In light of the above, Spanish resident taxpayers should include in their Net Wealth Tax self-assessment the Warrants, Certificates and/or Notes for the following amounts:

- (a) Warrants: market price at 31 December of the relevant year.
- (b) Certificates or Notes: if they are listed in an official market, the average negotiation value of the fourth quarter. In other cases, its nominal value (including redemption premiums).

The value of the Warrants, Notes or Certificates together with the rest of the taxpayer's wealth, once reduced by the deductible in rem liens and encumbrances which reduce the rights and asset values and the personal debt of the taxpayer, shall be taxed at a tax rate between 0.2 to 2.5 per cent.

Finally, please note that the Spanish regions are entitled to modify: (i) the threshold of net wealth exempt from taxation; (ii) the tax rates; and (iii) the tax benefits and exemptions to be applied in their territory, which may entail a significant reduction or increase of the tax leakage under this tax, or even in practice its abolition.

## 2. Spanish resident companies

### *Corporate Income Tax (Impuesto sobre Sociedades) ("CIT")*

Income under the Securities would be subject to withholding tax on account of the taxpayer CIT debt under the same conditions described for income obtained by Spanish resident individuals:

- (a) Income earned under Warrants should be regarded as capital gains, in which case no withholdings on account of the CIT liability of the relevant Spanish holder of the Warrants will have to be deducted from capital gains earned under the Warrants.
- (b) Interest payments under the Certificates and Notes should be subject to withholding tax at 19 per cent. (21 per cent. in the fiscal years 2012 and 2013, although it is expected to be extended at least to 2014) on account of the final CIT liability of the Spanish investor. Notwithstanding the above, an entity which is a non-resident in Spain and is not acting through a permanent establishment is not bound to withhold payments which are made to Spanish resident entities, on account of CIT; Interest payments under Certificates and Notes should only be subject to withholding tax in Spain if they are deposited in a depositary entity or individual resident in Spain (or acting through a permanent establishment in Spain) or if an entity or individual resident in Spain (or acting through a permanent establishment in Spain) is in charge of the collection of the income derived from the Certificates and Notes, provided that such income had not been previously subject to withholding tax in Spain.
- (c) Income upon transfer or redemption of the Certificates and Notes should be subject to Spanish withholding tax at 19 per cent. (21 per cent. in fiscal years 2012 and 2013, although it is foreseen to be extended at least to 2014) on account of the final CIT liability of the Spanish investor. Notwithstanding the above, an entity which is a non-resident in Spain and is not acting through a permanent establishment is not bound to withhold payments made to Spanish resident entities on account of CIT; Income upon transfer or redemption of the Certificates and Notes should be only subject to withholding tax in Spain if there is a financial entity acting on behalf of the seller, provided such entity is resident for tax purposes in Spain or has a permanent establishment in the Spanish territory, and such income had not been previously subject to withholding tax in Spain.

However, when: (i) the Securities are represented in book-entry form and are admitted to trading on a Spanish secondary stock exchange; or (ii) the Securities are listed on an OECD market, a withholding tax exemption should apply in respect of the income arising from the transfer or redemption of the Securities, exception made of income derived from accounts entered into with financial entities, provided that such income were based on financial instruments, such as the Securities.

Some additional exemptions on withholding taxes may apply depending on the condition of the investors.

Without prejudice to the foregoing, Spanish resident companies earning such income will still be subject to CIT – to be declared in their annual tax returns – at a general 30 per cent. rate (25 per cent. in

case of small and medium-sized companies, limited to overall profits up to EUR 300,000, provided certain additional requirements are met).

*Non-resident Income Tax – Non-Resident investors acting through a Permanent Establishment in Spain*

If the Securities form part of the assets of a permanent establishment in Spain of a person or legal entity who is not resident in Spain for tax purposes, the tax rules applicable to income deriving from such Securities are, generally, the same as those previously set out for Spanish Corporate Income Taxpayers.

**Swedish withholding tax**

***Individuals***

There is no Swedish withholding tax (*kupongskatt*) levied on payments made by the Issuer in respect of the Notes. In order to secure the tax payments by individuals, Sweden has a system of advance tax withholdings (*skatteavdrag*). According to this system, a Swedish paying agent making a payment of the interest or the compensation on the Notes to individuals resident in Sweden for tax purposes will withhold the advance tax at the rate of 30 per cent. Such advance tax withheld will be used for the payment of such individual's final taxes.

***Corporate***

Payment of interest or compensation on the Notes to a corporate entity resident in Sweden will not be subject to any Swedish withholding tax.

**United States Tax Considerations**

*The following overview of the HIRE Act (as defined below) is for general information purposes only. Prospective purchasers of Securities should consult their own tax advisers regarding the HIRE Act and other U.S. taxation considerations.*

On 18 March 2010, the Hiring Incentives to Restore Employment Act (the "**HIRE Act**") was signed into law. Under certain circumstances, the HIRE Act could impose a withholding tax of up to 30 per cent. on payments made with respect to the Securities. The withholding tax may be imposed at any point in a series of payments unless the payee complies with certain information reporting and related requirements. In the case of a foreign financial institution, no withholding generally will be imposed if it enters into an agreement with the U.S. government to collect and provide to the U.S. tax authorities substantial information regarding certain U.S. account holders of such institution (which would include certain account holders that are foreign entities with U.S. owners). Other payees, including individuals, may be required to provide proof that they are not U.S. persons or, in the case of non-financial foreign entities, certain certification or information relating to U.S. ownership of the entity. In some cases, the ultimate recipient of payments might be eligible for refunds or credits of any withheld taxes.

In general, this withholding tax will only apply to payments made on or after 1 January 2017, although certain Securities, including Securities that provide exposure to U.S. debt or equity securities, may be affected earlier. The withholding tax described above will generally not apply to Securities unless they are treated as giving rise to "foreign passthru payments" and are issued after the date that is six months after the U.S. Treasury Department issues final regulations defining "foreign passthru payments" provided that after this date, the terms of the Securities are not modified in a way that could cause the Securities to be treated as reissued for U.S. tax purposes. Certain securities that provide exposure to debt or equity instruments of U.S. issuers may, however, be subject to this withholding tax on payments made after 31 December 2013 even if they are issued prior to the date when "foreign passthru payments" are defined.

## SELLING RESTRICTIONS

Save for the approval of this Base Prospectus as a Base Prospectus for the purpose of Article 5.4 of the Prospectus Directive by the CSSF, and the notification of such approval to the competent authorities of Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Jersey, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom, no action has been or will be taken by the Issuers or the Guarantor that would permit a public offering of the Securities or possession or distribution of any offering material in relation to the Securities in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. No offers or sales of any Securities, or distribution of any offering material relating to the Securities, may be made in or from any jurisdiction except in circumstances which will result in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations and will not impose any obligation on the Issuers or the Guarantor.

### The United States

Neither the Securities nor the Guaranty in respect of the Issuers' obligations in relation to the Securities has been or will be registered under the Securities Act and neither the Securities nor the Guaranty may be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons except in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act. Trading in the Securities has not been and will not be approved by an exchange or board of trade or otherwise by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act. Each dealer is required to agree that it will not offer or sell the Securities, (i) as part of their distribution at any time or (ii) otherwise until 40 days after the completion of the distribution of the Series of which such Securities are a part, as determined and certified to the relevant Issuer by the dealer (or, in the case of a Series of Securities sold to or through more than one dealer, by each of such dealers as to Securities of such Series purchased by or through it, in which case such Issuer shall notify each such dealer when all such dealers have so certified), within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons, and it will have sent to each dealer to which it sells Securities during the distribution compliance period a confirmation or other notice setting forth the restrictions on offers and sales of the Securities in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons.

If the Final Terms relating to a security expressly provides for an offering of the Security by GSI only pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act, the dealer may arrange for the offer and sale of a portion of the Securities within the United States exclusively to persons reasonably believed to be QIBs in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

In addition, an offer or sale of Securities within the United States by a dealer (whether or not participating in the offering) may violate the registration requirements of the Securities Act if such offer or sale is otherwise than in accordance with Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

As used herein, "**United States**" means the United States of America, its territories or possessions, any state of the United States, the District of Columbia or any other enclave of the United States government, its agencies or instrumentalities, and "**U.S. person**" means any person who is a U.S. person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act.

In addition, unless otherwise specified in the Final Terms relating to a Security, by its purchase of the securities, the purchaser (or transferee) and each person directing such purchase (or transfer) on behalf of such holder will represent, or will be deemed to have represented and warranted, on each day from the date on which the purchaser (or transferee) acquires the Securities through and including the date on which the purchaser (or transferee) disposes of its interest in the Securities, that the funds that the purchaser (or transferee) is using to acquire the securities are not the assets of an "employee benefit plan" (as defined in Section 3(3) of Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("**ERISA**")) that is subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA, a "plan" that is subject to Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "**Code**"), any entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" by reason of any such employee plan's or plan's investment in the entity, or a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan that is subject to any law or regulation that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code.



***Transfer Restrictions***

Instruments offered and sold outside the United States to persons who are not U.S. persons in accordance with Regulation S under the Securities Act, will be issued in the form of a Regulation S Global Instrument, and Instruments offered and sold to "qualified institutional buyers" ("QIBs") as defined in, and in reliance on, Rule 144A under the Securities Act will be issued in the form of a Rule 144A Global Instrument. In addition, GSI may from time to time issue Warrants that will be represented by a Regulation S/Rule 144A Global Warrant which can be offered and sold to (a) QIBs and (b) investors who are located outside the United States and are not U.S. persons as defined in Regulation S (each, a "**Regulation S/Rule 144A Warrant**"). Notes will be issued in the forms described under "Forms of the Notes".

Each purchaser of any Instrument, or interest therein, offered and sold by GSI only in reliance on Rule 144A will be deemed to have represented, acknowledged and agreed as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are not defined herein will have the meaning given to them in Rule 144A or in Regulation S, as the case may be, and references to any Instrument shall include interests beneficially held in such Instrument):

- (a) the purchaser (i) is a QIB, (ii) is aware that the sale to it is being made in reliance on Rule 144A and (iii) is acquiring Instruments for its own account or for the account of a QIB;
- (b) the purchaser understands that such Instrument is being offered only in reliance on Rule 144A, such Instrument has not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or any other applicable securities law and may not be offered, sold or otherwise transferred unless registered pursuant to or exempt from registration under the Securities Act or any other applicable securities law; and that if in the future the purchaser decides to offer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer such Instrument, such Instrument may be offered, sold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in a transaction exempt from registration under the Securities Act and only (A) to GSI or an affiliate thereof, but only if it agrees to purchase the Instruments from the purchaser, and the purchaser understands that although GSI or an affiliate thereof may repurchase the Instrument, they are not obliged to do so, and therefore the purchaser should be prepared to hold such Instrument until maturity, or (B) to a person which the seller reasonably believes is a QIB in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A;
- (c) by its purchase of the securities, on each day from the date on which the purchaser acquires the Securities through and including the date on which the purchaser disposes of its interest in the Securities, the funds that the purchaser is using to acquire the securities are not the assets of an "employee benefit plan" (as defined in Section 3(3) of Title I of ERISA) that is subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA, a "plan" that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code, any entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" by reason of any such employee plan's or plan's investment in the entity, or a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan that is subject to any law or regulation that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code;
- (d) the purchaser acknowledges that the Issuers, the dealer(s), their affiliates and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing representations and agreements; and
- (e) the purchaser understands that such Instrument will bear legends substantially in the form set forth in capital letters below.

Each Instrument offered by GSI only and sold in reliance on Rule 144A (other than a Regulation S/Rule 144A Warrant) will bear legends to the following effect, in addition to such other legends as may be necessary or appropriate, unless GSI determines otherwise in compliance with applicable law:

"THE [WARRANTS/CERTIFICATES] EVIDENCED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "**SECURITIES ACT**") AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN AVAILABLE EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY OTHER JURISDICTION. IN ADDITION, THE [WARRANTS/CERTIFICATES] ARE

SUBJECT TO TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN A LETTER AGREEMENT MADE BETWEEN THE PURCHASER AND GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL (THE "**LETTER AGREEMENT**"), A COPY OF WHICH IS AVAILABLE FROM GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF A [WARRANT/CERTIFICATE], THE PURCHASER (A) REPRESENTS THAT IT IS A QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER (AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT ("**RULE 144A**")) (A "**QIB**") ACTING FOR ITS ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QIB AND (B) AGREES THAT THE [WARRANTS/CERTIFICATES] MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT (I) TO GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL OR AN AFFILIATE THEREOF, BUT ONLY IF GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL OR SUCH AFFILIATE AGREES TO PURCHASE THE [WARRANTS/CERTIFICATES] FROM SUCH PURCHASER, OR (II) TO A QIB IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A, BUT ONLY IF THE TRANSFEREE FIRST HAS BEEN APPROVED IN WRITING BY GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL AND HAS SIGNED A LETTER AGREEMENT SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM OF THE LETTER AGREEMENT; PROVIDED THAT IN LIEU OF GIVING SUCH APPROVAL, GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL OR ANY AFFILIATE THEREOF MAY PURCHASE THE [WARRANTS/CERTIFICATES] IF IT SO CHOOSES ON THE SAME TERMS AS THOSE AGREED BY SUCH QIB. ANY TRANSFERS OF THE CERTIFICATE IN VIOLATION OF SUCH AGREEMENT SHALL BE VOID. THIS [WARRANT/CERTIFICATE] MAY ONLY BE EXERCISED BY A QIB. HEDGING TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING THIS [WARRANT/CERTIFICATE] MAY NOT BE CONDUCTED OTHER THAN IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT.

BY ITS PURCHASE OF THE SECURITIES, THE PURCHASER (OR TRANSFEREE) AND EACH PERSON DIRECTING SUCH PURCHASE (OR TRANSFER) ON BEHALF OF SUCH HOLDER WILL REPRESENT, OR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED AND WARRANTED, ON EACH DAY FROM THE DATE ON WHICH THE PURCHASER (OR TRANSFEREE) ACQUIRES THE SECURITIES THROUGH AND INCLUDING THE DATE ON WHICH THE PURCHASER (OR TRANSFEREE) DISPOSES OF ITS INTEREST IN THE SECURITIES, THAT THE FUNDS THAT THE PURCHASER (OR TRANSFEREE) IS USING TO ACQUIRE THE SECURITIES ARE NOT THE ASSETS OF AN EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(3) OF TITLE I OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("**ERISA**")) THAT IS SUBJECT TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF ERISA, A PLAN THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "**CODE**"), ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" BY REASON OF ANY SUCH EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN'S OR PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN THE ENTITY, OR A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN THAT IS SUBJECT TO ANY LAW OR REGULATION THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE."

Each purchaser of any Security, or interest therein, offered and sold in reliance on Regulation S will be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows (terms used in this paragraph that are defined in Regulation S are used herein as defined therein):

- (a) the purchaser (i) is, and the person, if any, for whose account it is acquiring such Security is, outside the United States and is not a U.S. person, and (ii) is acquiring the offered Securities in an offshore transaction meeting the requirements of Regulation S;
- (b) the purchaser is aware that the Securities have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act and that the Securities are being distributed and offered outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S;
- (c) by its purchase of the securities, on each day from the date on which the purchaser acquires the Securities through and including the date on which the purchaser disposes of its interest in the Securities, the funds that the purchaser is using to acquire the securities are not the assets of an "employee benefit plan" (as defined in Section 3(3) of Title I of ERISA) that is subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA, a "plan" that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code, any entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" by reason of any such employee plan's or plan's investment in the entity, or a governmental, church, non-U.S. or

other plan that is subject to any law or regulation that is substantially similar to the provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code;

- (d) the purchaser acknowledges that the Issuers, the dealer(s), their affiliates and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing representations and agreements; and
- (e) the purchaser understands that such Instrument will bear legends substantially in the form set forth in capital letters below.

Each Security offered and sold in reliance on Regulation S (other than a Regulation S/Rule 144A Warrant) will bear legends to the following effect, in addition to such other legends as may be necessary or appropriate, unless the relevant Issuer determines otherwise in compliance with applicable law:

"THE SECURITIES EVIDENCED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT") AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED IN THE UNITED STATES OR TO U.S. PERSONS (AS THOSE TERMS ARE DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT) EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN AVAILABLE EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY OTHER JURISDICTION.

BY ITS PURCHASE OF THE SECURITIES, THE PURCHASER (OR TRANSFEREE) AND EACH PERSON DIRECTING SUCH PURCHASE (OR TRANSFER) ON BEHALF OF SUCH HOLDER WILL REPRESENT, OR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED AND WARRANTED, ON EACH DAY FROM THE DATE ON WHICH THE PURCHASER (OR TRANSFEREE) ACQUIRES THE SECURITIES THROUGH AND INCLUDING THE DATE ON WHICH THE PURCHASER (OR TRANSFEREE) DISPOSES OF ITS INTEREST IN THE SECURITIES, THAT THE FUNDS THAT THE PURCHASER (OR TRANSFEREE) IS USING TO ACQUIRE THE SECURITIES ARE NOT THE ASSETS OF AN EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(3) OF TITLE I OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA")) THAT IS SUBJECT TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF ERISA, A PLAN THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"), ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" BY REASON OF ANY SUCH EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN'S OR PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN THE ENTITY, OR A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN THAT IS SUBJECT TO ANY LAW OR REGULATION THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE."

Each Warrant offered and sold by GSI only in reliance on Regulation S or Rule 144A, or both, that is represented by a Regulation S/Rule 144A Global Warrant will bear legends to the following effect, in addition to such other legends as may be necessary or appropriate, unless GSI determines otherwise in compliance with applicable law:

"THE REGULATION S/RULE 144A WARRANTS EVIDENCED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED UNDER THE UNITED STATES SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED IN THE UNITED STATES OR TO U.S. PERSONS (AS THOSE TERMS ARE DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT), EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN AVAILABLE EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS OF THE STATES OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY OTHER JURISDICTION. IN ADDITION, THE WARRANTS THAT HAVE BEEN PLACED WITH QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYERS ("QIBs") AS DEFINED IN, AND IN RELIANCE ON, RULE 144A UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT ("RULE 144A") ARE SUBJECT TO TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN A LETTER AGREEMENT MADE BETWEEN THE PURCHASER AND GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL (THE "LETTER AGREEMENT"), A COPY OF WHICH IS AVAILABLE FROM GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL BY ITS ACCEPTANCE OF A WARRANT, EACH SUCH QIB WHO ACQUIRES A WARRANT UNDER

RULE 144A (A) REPRESENTS THAT IT IS A QIB ACTING FOR ITS ACCOUNT OR FOR THE ACCOUNT OF A QIB AND (B) AGREES THAT THE REGULATION S/RULE 144A WARRANTS MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT (I) TO GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL OR AN AFFILIATE THEREOF, BUT ONLY IF GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL OR SUCH AFFILIATE AGREES TO PURCHASE THE REGULATION S/RULE 144A WARRANTS FROM SUCH PURCHASER, OR (II) TO A QIB IN A TRANSACTION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 144A, BUT ONLY IF THE TRANSFEREE FIRST HAS BEEN APPROVED IN WRITING BY GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL AND HAS SIGNED A LETTER AGREEMENT SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM OF THE LETTER AGREEMENT; PROVIDED THAT IN LIEU OF GIVING SUCH APPROVAL, GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL OR ANY AFFILIATE THEREOF MAY PURCHASE THE REGULATION S/RULE 144A WARRANTS IF IT SO CHOOSES ON THE SAME TERMS AS THOSE AGREED BY SUCH QIB. ANY TRANSFERS OF THE REGULATION S/RULE 144A WARRANT IN VIOLATION OF SUCH LETTER AGREEMENT SHALL BE VOID. HEDGING TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING THIS REGULATION S/RULE 144A WARRANT MAY NOT BE CONDUCTED OTHER THAN IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SECURITIES ACT.

BY ITS PURCHASE OF THE REGULATION S/RULE 144A WARRANTS, THE PURCHASER (OR TRANSFEREE) AND EACH PERSON DIRECTING SUCH PURCHASE (OR TRANSFER) ON BEHALF OF SUCH HOLDER WILL REPRESENT, OR WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED AND WARRANTED, ON EACH DAY FROM THE DATE ON WHICH THE PURCHASER (OR TRANSFEREE) ACQUIRES THE REGULATION S/RULE 144A WARRANTS THROUGH AND INCLUDING THE DATE ON WHICH THE PURCHASER (OR TRANSFEREE) DISPOSES OF ITS INTEREST IN THE REGULATION S/RULE 144A WARRANTS, THAT THE FUNDS THAT THE PURCHASER (OR TRANSFEREE) IS USING TO ACQUIRE THE REGULATION S/RULE 144A WARRANTS ARE NOT THE ASSETS OF AN EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(3) OF TITLE I OF THE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA")) THAT IS SUBJECT TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF ERISA, A PLAN THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "**CODE**"), ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" BY REASON OF ANY SUCH EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN'S OR PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN THE ENTITY, OR A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN THAT IS SUBJECT TO ANY LAW OR REGULATION THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE."

Interests in any Regulation S/Rule 144A Warrant that are purchased by QIBs in reliance on Rule 144A will initially constitute "restricted securities" under Rule 144 under the Securities Act and will in any event be subject, for the life of such Warrants, to the Rule 144A transfer restrictions described herein. However, the Regulation S/Rule 144A Global Warrants will be assigned a single ISIN that will not indicate the restricted status of interests in such Warrant that have been placed with QIBs in reliance on Rule 144A. Holders of interests in a Regulation S/Rule 144A Global Warrant that have acquired those interests in reliance on Rule 144A will need to use mechanisms and procedures that do not rely on the ISIN assigned to such Warrant to ensure that they act in accordance with the transfer restrictions applicable to such Warrant.

#### **Public Offer Selling Restrictions Under The Prospectus Directive**

In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a "**Relevant Member State**") with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in that Relevant Member State (the "**Relevant Implementation Date**") an offer of Securities which are the subject of the offering contemplated by this Base Prospectus as completed by the relevant final terms in relation thereto may not be made to the public in that Relevant Member State except that, with effect from and including the Relevant Implementation Date, offer of such Securities may be made to the public in that Relevant Member State:

- (a) if the final terms in relation to the Securities specify that an offer of those Securities may be made other than pursuant to Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive in that Relevant Member State (a "**Non-exempt Offer**"), following the date of publication of a prospectus in relation to such Securities which has been approved by the competent authority in that Relevant Member

State or, where appropriate, approved in another Relevant Member State and notified to the competent authority in that Relevant Member State, provided that any such prospectus has subsequently been completed by the final terms contemplating such Non-exempt Offer, in accordance with the Prospectus Directive, in the period beginning and ending on the dates specified in such prospectus or final terms, as applicable and the Issuer has consented in writing to its use for the purpose of that Non-exempt Offer;

- (b) at any time to any legal entity which is a qualified investor as defined in the Prospectus Directive;
- (c) at any time to fewer than 100 or, if the Relevant Member State has implemented the relevant provision of the 2010 PD Amending Directive, 150, natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Directive), subject to obtaining the prior consent of the relevant Dealer or Dealers nominated by the Issuer for any such offer; or
- (d) at any time in any other circumstances falling within Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive,

provided that no such offer of Securities referred to in (b) to (d) above shall require the Issuer or any Dealer to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive, or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression "**an offer of Securities to the public**" in relation to any Securities in any Relevant Member State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the Securities to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe the Securities, as the same may be varied in that Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Member State, the expression "**Prospectus Directive**" means Directive 2003/71/EC (and amendments thereto, including the 2010 PD Amending Directive, to the extent implemented in the Relevant Member State), and includes any relevant implementing measure in the Relevant Member State and the expression "**2010 PD Amending Directive**" means Directive 2010/73/EU.

This Base Prospectus has been prepared on the basis that, except to the extent (ii) below may apply, any offer of Securities in any Relevant Member State will be made pursuant to an exemption under the Prospectus Directive, as implemented in that Relevant Member State, from the requirement to publish a prospectus for offers of Securities. Accordingly, any person making or intending to make an offer in that Relevant Member State of Securities which are the subject of a placement contemplated in this Base Prospectus as completed by the relevant final terms in relation to the offer of those Securities may only do so (i) in circumstances in which no obligation arises for the relevant Issuer to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive or supplement a prospectus pursuant to Article 16 of the Prospectus Directive, in each case, in relation to such offer, or (ii) if a prospectus for such offer has been approved by the competent authority in that Relevant Member State or, where appropriate, approved in another Relevant Member State and notified to the competent authority in that Relevant Member State and (in either case) published, all in accordance with the Prospectus Directive, provided that any such prospectus has subsequently been completed by final terms which specify that offers may be made other than pursuant to Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive in that Relevant Member State and such offer is made on or prior to the date specified for such purpose in such prospectus or final terms, as applicable. Except to the extent (ii) above may apply, none of the Issuers and the Guarantor has authorised, nor do they authorise, the making of any offer of Securities in circumstances in which an obligation arises for the relevant Issuer to publish or supplement a prospectus for such offer.

#### **Selling Restrictions Addressing Additional United Kingdom Securities Laws**

Any offeror of Securities will be required to represent and agree that:

- (a) in relation to any Securities which have a maturity of less than one year, (i) it is a person whose ordinary activities involve it in acquiring, holding, managing or disposing of investments (as principal or agent) for the purposes of its business and (ii) it has not offered or sold and will not offer or sell any Securities other than to persons whose ordinary activities involve them in acquiring, holding, managing or disposing of investments (as principal or as agent) for the purposes of their businesses or who it is reasonable to expect will acquire, hold,

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manage or dispose of investments (as principal or agent) for the purposes of their businesses where the issue of the Securities would otherwise constitute a contravention of section 19 of the FSMA by the relevant Issuer;

- (b) it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of section 21 of the FSMA) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of any Securities in circumstances in which section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to the relevant Issuer or the Guarantor or, in the case of GSI, would not if it was not an authorised person, apply to GSI;
- (c) it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to any Securities in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.
- (d) *Commissions and fees*
  - (i) if it is distributing Securities that are "retail investment products" (as such term is defined in the handbook of the Financial Conduct Authority) into the United Kingdom and it is entitled to receive any commission or fee from the Issuer, it will not transfer any part of that commission or fee to any third party who may advise retail investors to purchase a Security that is a retail investment product; and
  - (ii) if it is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority to provide investment advice to retail investors in the United Kingdom and it is providing advice to retail investors in respect of a Security that is a retail investment product, it undertakes not to request any commission or fee from the Issuer and to otherwise reject any such payment offered to it. Under no circumstances shall the Issuer facilitate the payment of an adviser charge on behalf of retail clients in the United Kingdom.

## Argentina

The offering of Securities has not been authorised by, and the Securities have not been registered with, the Argentine Securities Commission (*Comisión Nacional de Valores*, "CNV"). The CNV has not approved any document related to the offering of the Securities in Argentina. The Securities will not be offered or sold in Argentina except in transactions that will not constitute a public offering of securities within the meaning of Sections 2 and 83 of the Capital Markets Law No. 26,831, as amended.

## Austria

For selling restrictions in respect of Austria, please see "Public Offer Selling Restrictions Under The Prospectus Directive" above.

## Bahamas

This Base Prospectus in connection with the offer of Securities by the relevant Issuer has not been filed with the Securities Commission of The Bahamas because such offering is exempted from prospectus filing requirements of the Securities Industry Act, 2011. No offer or sale of any Securities of the relevant Issuer can be made in The Bahamas unless the offer of the Securities is made by or through a firm which is registered with the Securities Commission of The Bahamas to engage in the business of dealing in securities in The Bahamas and in compliance with Bahamian exchange control regulations.

## Belgium

For selling restrictions in respect of Belgium, please see "Public Offer Selling Restrictions Under The Prospectus Directive" above.

In addition, any offeror of Securities will be required to represent and agree that it will not offer for sale, sell or market Securities to any person qualifying as a consumer within the meaning of Article 2.3 of the Belgian law of 6 April 2010 on consumer protection and trade practices, as amended from time to time, unless such offer, sale or marketing is made in compliance with this law and its implementing regulation.

**Brazil**

The Securities may not be offered or sold to the public in Brazil. Accordingly, the Securities have not been and will not be registered with the Brazilian Securities and Exchange Commission (*Comissão de Valores Mobiliários*), nor have they been submitted to the foregoing agency for approval. Documents relating to the Securities, as well as the information contained therein, may not be supplied to the public in Brazil, as the offering of Securities is not a public offering of securities in Brazil, nor used in connection with any offer for subscription or sale of securities to the public in Brazil. A seller of the Securities may be asked by the purchaser to comply with procedural requirements to evidence previous title to the Securities and may be subject to Brazilian tax on capital gains which may be withheld from the sale price. Persons wishing to offer or acquire the Securities within Brazil should consult with their own counsel as to the applicability of these registration requirements or any exemption therefrom.

**British Virgin Islands ("BVI")**

The Securities may not be offered in the BVI unless the relevant Issuer or the person offering the Securities on its behalf is licensed to carry on business in the BVI. None of the Issuers is licensed to carry on business in the BVI. The Securities may be offered to BVI business companies outside the BVI without restriction. A BVI business company is a company formed under or otherwise governed by the BVI Business Companies Act, 2004 (British Virgin Islands).

It is expected that Part II of the Securities and Investment Business Act, 2010 ("**SIBA**") will be brought into force and become law in the BVI in the near future. Upon Part II of SIBA coming into force, the Securities may not be, and will not be, offered to the public or to any person in the BVI for purchase or subscription by or on behalf of the relevant Issuer. The Securities may continue to be offered to BVI business companies, but only where the offer will be made to, and received by, the relevant BVI company entirely outside of the BVI. The Securities may also be offered to persons located in the BVI who are "qualified investors" for the purposes of SIBA.

This prospectus has not been registered with the Financial Services Commission of the BVI and will not be so registered upon Part II of SIBA coming into force. No registered prospectus has been or will be prepared in respect of the Securities for the purposes of SIBA.

**Bulgaria**

For selling restrictions in respect of Bulgaria, please see "Public Offer Selling Restrictions Under The Prospectus Directive" above.

**Cayman Islands**

None of the Preference Shares or the EIS Notes shall be sold to or offered by way of subscription to any member of the public in the Cayman Islands.

**Chile**

The Securities have not been registered with the Superintendencia de Valores y Seguros in Chile and may not be offered or sold publicly in Chile.

**Colombia**

The issuance of the Securities, as well as trading and payments in respect of the Securities, will occur outside Colombia.

Any promotional material in respect of the Securities is for the sole and exclusive use of the purchaser of Securities and cannot be understood as addressed to, or be used by, any third party.

The Securities have not been and will not be offered in Colombia through a public offering pursuant to Colombian laws and regulations and neither will they be registered in the Colombian National Registry of Securities and Issuers or on the Colombian Stock Exchange.

The purchaser of Securities acknowledges the Colombian laws and regulations (specifically foreign exchange and tax regulations) applicable to any transaction or investment made in connection with the

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Securities and represents that he/she/it is the sole liable party for full compliance with any such laws and regulations.

The investment in the Securities is a permitted investment for him/her/it under his/her/its corporate bylaws and/or particular investment regime that may be applicable.

### **Costa Rica**

This is an individual and private offer which is made in Costa Rica upon reliance on an exemption from registration before the General Superintendence of Securities ("**SUGEVAL**"), pursuant to articles 7 and 8 of the Regulations on the Public Offering of Securities (*Reglamento sobre Oferta Pública de Valores*). This information is confidential, and is not to be reproduced or distributed to third parties as this is NOT a public offering of securities in Costa Rica.

The product being offered is not intended for the Costa Rican public or market and neither is it registered or will be registered before the SUGEVAL, nor can it be traded in the secondary market.

### **Czech Republic**

For selling restrictions in respect of the Czech Republic, please see "Public Offer Selling Restrictions Under The Prospectus Directive" above, with the following exceptions:

"Qualified investors" for the purpose of Czech offering are (a) persons specified in Article 2a paragraph 1 and 2 of Act No. 256/2004 Coll., on Capital Markets Undertakings, as amended (the "**Czech Capital Markets Act**") and/or (b) persons which are considered as professional customers under Article 2b of the Czech Capital Markets Act, to the extent of trading or investment instruments relating to the offered securities.

The monetary amount relevant for the exemption from the obligation to publish a prospectus under Article 3 (2) (c), (d), and (e) of the Prospectus Directive is determined by the applicable governmental regulations, as amended and/or replaced from time to time.

### **Denmark**

This Base Prospectus has not been filed with or approved by the Danish Financial Supervisory Authority or any other regulatory authority in the Kingdom of Denmark. The Securities have not been offered or sold and may not be offered, sold or delivered directly or indirectly in Denmark, unless in compliance with Chapter 6 or Chapter 12 of the Danish Act on Trading in Securities and executive orders issued pursuant thereto as amended from time to time.

### **Dominican Republic**

The issuance, circulation and offering of the Securities has a strictly private character, falling beyond the scope of article 4 of Law 19-00 dated 8 May, 2000 and therefore no governmental authorisations are required in this issuance, circulation and offering.

### **Finland**

For selling restrictions in respect of Finland, please see "Public Offer Selling Restrictions Under The Prospectus Directive" above.

### **France**

This Base Prospectus has not been approved by the *Autorité des marchés financiers* (the "**AMF**").

Any offeror of the Securities and the relevant Issuer has represented and agreed that:

- (a) it has only made and will only make an offer of Securities to the public (*offre au public*) in France or an admission of Securities to trading on a regulated market in France in the period beginning (i) when a prospectus in relation to those Securities has been approved by the AMF, on the date of its publication or, (ii) when a prospectus has been approved by the competent authority of another Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive 2003/71/EC, on the date of notification of such approval to the AMF,



and ending at the latest on the date which is 12 months after the date of approval of the Base Prospectus, all in accordance with articles L.412-1 and L.621-8 to L.621-8-3 of the French *Code monétaire et financier* and the provisions of the *Règlement général* of the AMF; or

- (b) it has only made and will only make an offer of Securities to the public in France or an admission of Securities to trading on a regulated market in France in circumstances which do not require the publication by the offeror of a prospectus pursuant to the French *Code monétaire et financier* and the *Règlement général* of the AMF; and
- (c) otherwise, it has not offered or sold and will not offer or sell, directly or indirectly, any Securities to the public in France and it has not distributed or caused to be distributed and will not distribute or cause to be distributed to the public in France, the Base Prospectus, the relevant Final Terms or any other offering material relating to the Securities and that such offers, sales and distributions have been and shall only be made in France to (i) providers of the investment service of portfolio management for the account of third parties (*personnes fournissant le service d'investissement de gestion de portefeuille pour compte de tiers*) and/or (ii) qualified investors (*investisseurs qualifiés*) other than individuals, acting for their own account, all as defined in, and in accordance with, articles L.411-1, L.411-2 and D.411-1, D.744-1, D.754-1 and D.764-1 of the French *Code monétaire et financier* and other applicable regulations.

The direct or indirect resale of Securities to the public in France may be made only as provided by and in accordance with articles L.411-1, L.411-2, L.412-1 and L.621-8 to L.621-8-3 of the French *Code monétaire et financier*.

### Germany

For selling restrictions in respect of Germany, please see "Public Offer Selling Restrictions Under The Prospectus Directive" above.

### Hong Kong

No advertisement, invitation or document relating to the Securities may be issued, or may be in the possession of any person for the purpose of issue, (in each case whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere), if such advertisement, invitation or document is directed at, or the contents of which are likely to be accessed or read by, the public in Hong Kong (except if permitted to do so under the laws of Hong Kong) other than with respect to Securities which are or are intended to be disposed of only to persons outside of Hong Kong or only to "professional investors" within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571, Laws of Hong Kong, the "SFO") and any rules made thereunder. In addition, in respect of Securities which are not a "structured product" as defined in the SFO, the Securities may not be offered or sold by means of any document other than (i) to "professional investors" within the meaning of the SFO and any rules made thereunder; or (ii) in other circumstances which do not result in the document being a "prospectus" within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Cap 32, Laws of Hong Kong, the "CO") or which do not constitute an offer to the public within the meaning of the CO.

Unless (a) the Securities are not linked to an Underlying Asset or do not otherwise include a derivative and/or (b) you are an institution or are otherwise a sophisticated investor for whom an assessment of the suitability of the Securities for you by the selling intermediary is not required under applicable Hong Kong laws, regulations and rules, you should take note of the following warning:

*This is a structured product involving derivatives. The investment decision is yours but you should not invest in the Securities unless the intermediary who sells it to you has explained to you that the product is suitable for you having regard to your financial situation, investment experience and investment objectives.*

Where the Securities are not linked to any Underlying Asset or do not otherwise include a derivative, if you are not an institution or a sophisticated investor for whom an assessment of the suitability of the Securities for you by the selling intermediary is not required under applicable Hong Kong laws, regulations and rules, you should take note of the following warning:

*This is an investment product. The investment decision is yours but you should not invest in the*

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*Securities unless the intermediary who sells it to you has explained to you that the product is suitable for you having regard to your financial situation, investment experience and investment objectives.*

In either case, you should also take note of the following warning:

*The contents of this document have not been reviewed by any regulatory authority in Hong Kong. You are advised to exercise caution in relation to the offer. If you are in any doubt about any of the contents of this document, you should obtain independent professional advice.*

None of the Issuers or the Guarantor accept any responsibility for any acts or omissions of such intermediary.

### Hungary

If the offering is exempt from the obligation to publish a prospectus, as regulated in Article 3 (2) of the Prospectus Directive (and, as transposed, in Section 14 (1) of Hungarian Act CXX of 2001 on the Capital Market) (hereinafter: "**Exempt Offering**"), the Issuer(s) will not notify the Hungarian Financial Supervisory Authority about such Exempt Offering and do not intend to comply with the Hungarian rules of Exempt Offerings (as specified in the Capital Market Act and other Hungarian legislation), unless the Final Terms of the respective Security provide so. Therefore, such Exempt Offering will not be conducted in the territory of Hungary or in any way (including materials or communications in Hungarian language) that would be considered as an offering in Hungary. However, if the Final Terms of the respective Security provide that an Exempt Offering may be conducted in Hungary, and the Issuer complies with the Hungarian rules applicable to the Exempt Offering of the respective Security, the respective Security may also be offered in Hungary.

If the offering of Securities is not an Exempt Offering and the approval of this Base Prospectus has been notified to the Hungarian Financial Services Authority, the Issuer(s) will only offer the Securities to the public in Hungary, if all rules specified in the Capital Market Act on such offering are complied with.

### Ireland

In addition to the circumstances referred to in the section entitled "Public Offer Selling Restrictions under the Prospectus Directive", each offeror of Securities will be required to represent, warrant and agree that it has not offered, sold, placed or underwritten and that it will not offer, sell, place or underwrite the Securities, or do anything in Ireland in respect of the Securities, otherwise than in conformity with the provisions of:

- (a) the Prospectus (Directive 2003/71/EC) Regulations 2005 (as amended by the Prospectus (Directive 2003/71/EC) (Amendment) Regulations 2012) and any rules issued by the Central Bank of Ireland under Section 51 of the Investment Funds, Companies and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2005 of Ireland (as amended) (the "**2005 Act**");
- (b) the Companies Acts 1963 to 2012;
- (c) the European Communities (Markets in Financial Securities) Regulations 2007 (as amended) and it will conduct itself in accordance with any rules or codes of conduct and any conditions or requirements, or any other enactment, imposed or approved by the Central Bank of Ireland; and
- (d) the Market Abuse (Directive 2003/6/EC) Regulations 2005 and any rules issued by the Central Bank of Ireland under Section 34 of the 2005 Act, and will assist the Issuer in complying with its obligations thereunder.

### Italy

The offering of the Securities has not been registered pursuant to Italian securities legislation and, accordingly, no Securities may be offered, sold or delivered, nor may copies of this Base Prospectus or of any other document relating to the Securities be distributed in the Republic of Italy, except:

- (i) to qualified investors (*investitori qualificati*), as defined in Article 34-ter, first paragraph, letter b), of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971 of May 14, 1999, as amended from time to time (the "**Regulation No. 11971**") pursuant to Article 100 of Legislative Decree No. 58 of 24 February 1998, as amended (the "**Financial Services Act**"); or
- (ii) in other circumstances which are exempted from the rules on public offerings pursuant to Article 100 of the Financial Services Act and Article 34-ter, first paragraph, of Regulation No. 11971.

Any offer, sale or delivery of the Securities or distribution of copies of this Base Prospectus or any other document relating to the Securities in the Republic of Italy under (i) or (ii) above must be:

- (a) made by an investment firm, bank or financial intermediary permitted to conduct such activities in the Republic of Italy in accordance with the Financial Services Act, CONSOB Regulation No. 16190 of 29 October 2007 (as amended from time to time) and Legislative Decree No. 385 of 1 September 1993, as amended (the "**Banking Act**");
- (b) in compliance with Article 129 of the Banking Act, as amended, and the implementing guidelines of the Bank of Italy, as amended from time to time, pursuant to which the Bank of Italy may request information on the issue or the offer of securities in the Republic of Italy; and
- (c) in compliance with any other applicable laws and regulations or requirement imposed by CONSOB or other Italian authority.

*Please note that in accordance with Article 100-bis of the Financial Services Act, where no exemption from the rules on public offerings applies under (i) and (ii) above, the subsequent distribution of the Securities on the secondary market in Italy must be made in compliance with the public offer and the prospectus requirement rules provided under the Financial Services Act and Regulation No. 11971. Furthermore, Article 100-bis of the Financial Services Act affects the transferability of the Securities in the Republic of Italy to the extent that any placing of the Securities is made solely with qualified investors and such Securities are then systematically resold to non-qualified investors on the secondary market at any time in the 12 months following such placing. Where this occurs, if a prospectus has not been published, purchasers of the Securities who are acting outside of the course of their business or profession may be entitled to declare such purchase void and can claim damages from any authorised person at whose premises the Securities were purchased, unless an exemption provided for by the Financial Services Act applies.*

### **Jersey**

No consent under Article 8(2) of the Control of Borrowing (Jersey) Order 1958 has been obtained in relation to the circulation in Jersey of any offer of Securities and any such offer must be addressed exclusively to a restricted circle of persons in Jersey. For these purposes an offer is not addressed exclusively to a restricted circle of persons unless (i) the offer is addressed to an identifiable category of persons to whom it is directly communicated by the offeror or the offeror's appointed agent, (ii) the members of that category are the only persons who may accept the offer and they are in possession of sufficient information to be able to make a reasonable evaluation of the offer and (iii) the number of persons in Jersey to whom the offer is so communicated does not exceed 50.

### **Liechtenstein**

For selling restrictions in respect of Liechtenstein, please see "Public Offer Selling Restrictions Under The Prospectus Directive" above.

### **Luxembourg**

For selling restrictions in respect of Luxembourg, please see "Public Offer Selling Restrictions Under The Prospectus Directive" above.

## Mexico

The Securities have not been and will not be registered with the Mexican National Securities Registry (*Registro Nacional de Valores*), maintained by the Mexican National Banking and Securities Commission (*Comisión Nacional Bancaria de Valores*), and may not be offered or sold publicly in Mexico. The Securities may be sold in Mexico, by any person, including the relevant Issuer, pursuant to the private placement exemption set forth in Article 8 of the Mexican Securities Market Law (*Ley del Mercado de Valores*), to the purchasers of Securities that are qualified or institutional investors and under the terms specified in such Article.

## Norway

For selling restrictions in respect of Norway, please see "Public Offer Selling Restrictions Under The Prospectus Directive" above.

In no circumstances may an offer of Instruments or Notes be made in the Norwegian market without the Instruments or Notes being registered in the VPS in dematerialised form, to the extent such Instruments or Notes shall be registered, according to the Norwegian Securities Registry Act (*Nw. Verdipapirregisterloven, 2002*) and ancillary regulations.

## Panama

The Securities have not been and will not be Registered with the Superintendence of Capital Markets of the Republic of Panama under Decree law No.1 of July 8, 1999 (as amended to date, the "**Panamanian Securities Act**") and may not be publicly offered or sold within Panama, except in certain limited transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Panamanian Securities Act. These Securities do not benefit from the tax incentives provided by the Panamanian Securities Act and are not subject to regulation or supervision by the Superintendence of Capital Markets of the Republic of Panama.

Institutional investors that purchase the Securities pursuant to the institutional investor exemption must hold the Securities for a year and during that period may only sell these securities to other institutional investors.

## Paraguay

This Base Prospectus does not constitute a public offering of securities or other financial products and services in Paraguay. Each purchaser of Securities acknowledges that the securities and financial products to be offered under this Programme will be issued outside of Paraguay. Each purchaser of Securities acknowledges that any legal matter arising from any offer of Securities shall not be submitted to any Paraguayan government authority. Each purchaser of Securities acknowledges as well that the Paraguayan Deposit Insurance legislation does not cover the products offered hereby or assets or funds allocated for these purposes. The Paraguayan Central Bank, the Paraguayan National Stock Exchange Commission and the Paraguayan Banking Superintendence do not regulate the offering of these products or their undertaking. Each purchaser of Securities should make his own decision whether this offering meets his investment objectives and risk tolerance level.

## Peru

The Securities and this Base Prospectus have not been registered in Peru under the *Decreto Supremo N° 093-2002-EF: Texto Único Ordenado de la Ley del Mercado de Valores, Decreto Legislativo No. 861* and cannot be offered or sold in Peru except in a private offering under the meaning of Peruvian securities laws. The Peruvian Securities Law (*Ley del Mercado de Valores*) provides that an offering directed exclusively to "institutional investors" (as such term is defined under the Seventh Final Disposition of the Peruvian Securities Market Commission's (*Comisión Nacional Supervisora de Empresas y Valores – "CONASEV"*) Resolution No. 141-987-EF/94-10) qualifies as a private offering. The Securities acquired by institutional investors in Peru cannot be transferred to a third party, unless such transfer is made to another institutional investor or the Securities have been registered with the *Registro Público del Mercado de Valores*.

## Poland

For selling restrictions in respect of Poland, please see "Public Offer Selling Restrictions Under The Prospectus Directive" above.

## Portugal

No offer of the Securities may be made in Portugal except under circumstances that will result in compliance with the rules concerning the marketing of the Securities and with the laws of Portugal generally.

In relation to Portugal, the Securities may not be offered to the public in Portugal, except that an offer of the Securities to the public in Portugal may be made:

- (a) in the period beginning on the date of publication of a prospectus in relation to the Securities which has been approved by *the Portuguese Securities Exchange Commission ("Comissão do Mercado de Valores Mobiliários"*, or the "CMVM") in accordance with the Prospectus Directive or, where appropriate, published in another Member State and notified to the CMVM all in accordance with Article 18 of the Prospectus Directive and ending on the date which is 12 months after the date of such publication;
- (b) at any time to any entities who are considered as qualified investors according to article 30 of the Portuguese Securities Code ("*Código dos Valores Mobiliários*", approved by the Decree-Law 486/99, of November 13, as amended); and
- (c) at any time in any other circumstances which do not require the publication by the Issuer of a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression an "offer of the securities to the public" and the expression "Prospectus Directive" shall have the meaning ascribed to them in "Public Offer Selling Restrictions Under The Prospectus Directive" above.

## Salvador

The recipient of this documentation hereby acknowledges and states that the same has been provided by the relevant Issuer under his direct and express request and instructions, and on a private placement basis.

## Saudi Arabia

Securities may not be offered or sold to any person (which term includes any individual or legal entity) in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, and the Base Prospectus and the relevant Final Terms may not be made available or delivered to any person (which term includes any individual or legal entity) in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in connection with the offering, sale or advertising of the Securities.

Securities may be offered and sold only to investors that are "non-resident foreign investors" for purposes of resolution number 3-10-2010 of the Board of Commissioners of the Saudi Arabian Capital Market Authority entitled "Circular From CMA regarding its approval for Authorized Persons to enter into Swap Agreements".

## Singapore

This Base Prospectus has not been registered as a prospectus with the Monetary Authority of Singapore (the "MAS") under the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289 of Singapore (the "SFA").

Where the Securities are linked to Underlying Assets which are Shares or units of Shares (other than shares or other units of a fund or a collective investment scheme) of a corporation (whether incorporated in Singapore or elsewhere) or debentures or units of debentures of an entity, interests in a limited partnership or limited liability partnership formed in Singapore or elsewhere, or such other product or class of products prescribed by the MAS, this Base Prospectus and any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of the Securities or the Underlying Assets may not be circulated or distributed, nor may the Securities or the Underlying

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Assets be offered or sold, or be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, whether directly or indirectly, to persons in Singapore other than (i) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the SFA, (ii) to a relevant person pursuant to Section 275(1), or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A), and in accordance with the conditions specified in Section 275, of the SFA, or (iii) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA.

Where Securities or Underlying Assets are subscribed or purchased under Section 275 of the SFA by a relevant person which is:

- (a) a corporation (which is not an accredited investor (as defined in Section 4A of the SFA)) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or
- (b) a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary of the trust is an individual who is an accredited investor,

securities (as defined in Section 239(1) of the SFA) of that corporation or the beneficiaries' rights and interest (howsoever described) in that trust shall not be transferred within six months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the Securities or Underlying Assets pursuant to an offer made under Section 275 of the SFA except:

- (1) to an institutional investor or to a relevant person defined in Section 275(2) of the SFA, or to any person arising from an offer referred to in Section 275(1A) or Section 276(4)(i)(B) of the SFA;
- (2) where no consideration is or will be given for the transfer;
- (3) where the transfer is by operation of law;
- (4) as specified in Section 276(7) of the SFA; or
- (5) as specified in Regulation 32 of the Securities and Futures (Offers of Investments) (Shares and Debentures) Regulations 2005 of Singapore.

Where the Securities which are linked to any fund as an Underlying Asset ("**Fund Linked Securities**") do not provide for any right or interest (including an option) in respect of units in an underlying fund (which is a "collective investment scheme" (as defined in the SFA)), this Base Prospectus and any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of the Fund Linked Securities may not be circulated or distributed, nor may the Fund Linked Securities be offered or sold, or be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, whether directly or indirectly, to persons in Singapore other than (i) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the SFA, (ii) to a relevant person pursuant to Section 275(1), or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A), and in accordance with the conditions specified in Section 275, of the SFA, or (iii) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA.

Where Fund Linked Securities are subscribed or purchased under Section 275 of the SFA by a relevant person which is:

- (a) a corporation (which is not an accredited investor (as defined in Section 4A of the SFA)) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or
- (b) a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary of the trust is an individual who is an accredited investor,

securities (as defined in Section 239(1) of the SFA) of that corporation or the beneficiaries' rights and interest (howsoever described) in that trust shall not be transferred within six months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the Fund Linked Securities pursuant to an offer made under Section 275 of the SFA except:

- (1) to an institutional investor or to a relevant person defined in Section 275(2) of the SFA, or to any person arising from an offer referred to in Section 275(1A) or Section 276(4)(i)(B) of the SFA;
- (2) where no consideration is or will be given for the transfer;
- (3) where the transfer is by operation of law;
- (4) as specified in Section 276(7) of the SFA; or
- (5) as specified in Regulation 32 of the Securities and Futures (Offers of Investments) (Shares and Debentures) Regulations 2005 of Singapore.

The offer or invitation of the Underlying Assets which constitute units in an underlying fund which is a "collective investment scheme" (as defined in the SFA) (the "**CIS Reference Items**") do not relate to a collective investment scheme which is authorised under Section 286 of the SFA or recognised under Section 287 of the SFA. The fund is not authorised or recognised by the MAS and the CIS Reference Items are not allowed to be offered to the retail public. This Base Prospectus and any other document or material issued in connection with the offer or sale is not a prospectus as defined in the SFA, and accordingly, statutory liability under the SFA in relation to the content of prospectuses does not apply, and you should consider carefully whether the investment is suitable for you.

This Base Prospectus and any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of the CIS Reference Items may not be circulated or distributed, nor may the CIS Reference Items be offered or sold or be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, whether directly or indirectly, to persons in Singapore other than (i) to an institutional investor under Section 304 of the SFA, (ii) to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 305(2), and in accordance with the conditions specified in Section 305 of the SFA or (iii) pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA.

Where CIS Reference Items are subscribed or purchased under Section 305 by a relevant person which is:

- (a) a corporation (which is not an accredited investor (as defined in Section 4A of the SFA)) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or
- (b) a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary of the trust is an individual who is an accredited investor,

securities (as defined in Section 239(1) of the SFA) of that corporation or the beneficiaries' rights and interest (howsoever described) in that trust shall not be transferred within six months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the CIS Reference Items pursuant to an offer made under Section 305 of the SFA except:

- (1) to an institutional investor or to a relevant person defined in Section 305(5) of the SFA, or to any person arising from an offer referred to in Section 275(1A) or Section 305A(3)(i)(B) of the SFA;
- (2) where no consideration is or will be given for the transfer;
- (3) where the transfer is by operation of law;
- (4) as specified in Section 305A(5) of the SFA; or
- (5) as specified in Regulation 36 of the Securities and Futures (Offers of Investments) (Collective Investment Schemes) Regulations 2005 of Singapore.

Where the Fund Linked Securities do provide for a right or interest (including an option) in respect of units in a fund which is a CIS Reference Item, the offer or invitation of the Fund Linked Securities and CIS Reference Items, which is the subject of this Base Prospectus, does not relate to a collective investment scheme which is authorised under Section 286 of the SFA or recognised under Section 287

of the SFA. The Programme and the Issuer are not authorised or recognised by the MAS and the Fund Linked Securities and the CIS Reference Items are not allowed to be offered to the retail public. This Base Prospectus and any other document or material issued in connection with the offer or sale is not a prospectus as defined in the SFA, and accordingly, statutory liability under the SFA in relation to the content of prospectuses does not apply, and you should consider carefully whether the investment is suitable for you.

This Base Prospectus and any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of the Fund Linked Securities or CIS Reference Items may not be circulated or distributed, nor may the Fund Linked Securities or CIS Reference Items be offered or sold, or be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, whether directly or indirectly, to persons in Singapore other than (i) to an institutional investor under Section 304 of the SFA, (ii) to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 305(2), and in accordance with the conditions specified in Section 305 of the SFA or (iii) pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA.

Where Fund Linked Securities or CIS Reference Items are subscribed or purchased under Section 305 by a relevant person which is:

- (a) a corporation (which is not an accredited investor (as defined in Section 4A of the SFA)) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or
- (b) a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary of the trust is an individual who is an accredited investor,

securities (as defined in Section 239(1) of the SFA) of that corporation or the beneficiaries' rights and interest (howsoever described) in that trust shall not be transferred within six months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the Fund Linked Securities or CIS Reference Items pursuant to an offer made under Section 305 of the SFA except:

- (1) to an institutional investor or to a relevant person defined in Section 305(5) of the SFA, or to any person arising from an offer referred to in Section 275(1A) or Section 305A(3)(i)(B) of the SFA;
- (2) where no consideration is or will be given for the transfer;
- (3) where the transfer is by operation of law;
- (4) as specified in Section 305A(5) of the SFA; or
- (5) as specified in Regulation 36 of the Securities and Futures (Offers of Investments) (Collective Investment Schemes) Regulations 2005 of Singapore.

### **Slovak Republic**

For selling restrictions in respect of the Slovak Republic, please see "Public Offer Selling Restrictions Under The Prospectus Directive" above, with the following exemption:

"Qualified investors" for the purpose of Slovak offering of securities are persons specified in Article 120 paragraph 6 of Act No. 566/2001 Coll., on Securities and Investment Services and on amendment of another laws, as amended.

### **South Africa**

This Base Prospectus does not constitute an offer for the sale of or subscription for, or the solicitation of an offer to buy and subscribe for securities to the public as defined in the South African Companies Act, 2008 (as amended) (the "**South African Companies Act**"). This Base Prospectus does not, nor is it intended to, constitute a "registered prospectus" (as that term is defined in section 95(k) of the South African Companies Act) prepared and registered under the South African Companies Act.

This Base Prospectus does not constitute an offer to accept deposits from the general public in terms of



the South African Banks Act, 1990. This Base Prospectus is only distributed in South Africa to banks, mutual banks or insurers as registered under the applicable South African legislation and acting as principals and to a wholly owned subsidiary of a bank, mutual bank or long-term or short-term insurer acting as agent in the capacity of an authorised portfolio manager for a pension fund (registered in terms of the South African Pension Funds Act, 1956) or as a manager for a collective investment scheme (registered in terms of the South African Collective Investment Schemes Control Act, 2002) as prospective investors pursuant to section 96(1) of the South African Companies Act.

## Spain

The Securities may not be listed, offered, sold or distributed in Spain, except in accordance with the requirements set out in Law 24/1988 of 28 July of Securities Markets, (*Ley 24/1988, de 28 de julio, del Mercado de Valores*) as amended and restated (the "**Securities Markets Law**"), and Royal Decree 1310/2005, of 4 November, on admission to trading of securities in official secondary markets, public offerings and prospectus, (*Real Decreto 1310/2004, de 4 de noviembre, por el que se desarrolla parcialmente la Ley 24/1988, de 28 de Julio, del Mercado de Valores, en materia de admisión a negociación de valores en mercados secundarios oficiales, de ofertas públicas de venta o suscripción y del folleto exigible a tales efectos*), as amended and restated (the "**Royal Decree 1310/2005**"), or any other related regulations that may be in force from time to time, as further amended, supplemented or restated. This Base Prospectus has not been and it is not envisaged to be approved by, registered or filed with, or notified to the Spanish Securities Market Commission (*Comisión Nacional del Mercado de Valores*). It is not intended for the public offering or sale of Securities in Spain and does not constitute a prospectus (registration document and securities note) for the public offering of Securities in Spain. Accordingly, no Securities may be offered, sold, delivered, marketed nor may copies of this Base Prospectus or any other document relating to the Securities be distributed in Spain, and investors in the Securities may not sell or offer such Securities in Spain other than in compliance with the requirements set out by articles 30 bis of the Securities Markets Law and 38 of Royal Decree 1310/2005 so that any sale or offering of the Securities in Spain is not classified as a public offering of securities in Spain.

## Sweden

For selling restrictions in respect of Sweden, please see "Public Offer Selling Restrictions Under The Prospectus Directive" above, with the difference that in addition to the exemptions in Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive, an offer of securities may be made to the public under the condition that the aggregated sum which the investors shall pay during a 12-month period within the EEA does not exceed an amount equivalent to EUR 2.5 million, cf. the Swedish Financial Instruments Trading Act (*Sw: lag (1991:980) om handel med finansiella instrument*), Chapter 2 Section 4 clause 5.

## The Netherlands

For selling restrictions in respect of The Netherlands, please see "Public Offer Selling Restrictions Under the Prospectus Directive" above.

## Uruguay

These Securities have not been registered with the Central Bank of Uruguay and will not be offered or sold in Uruguay through public offerings.

## Venezuela

The Securities may not be offered to the public in Venezuela and may not be sold or offered in Venezuela in any manner that may be construed as a public offering, as determined under Venezuelan securities laws. The Securities may be sold by means of a private offer through sales that do not constitute a public offering, as determined under Venezuelan securities laws.

## OFFERS AND SALES AND DISTRIBUTION ARRANGEMENTS

In respect of each Tranche of Securities, the relevant Issuer may retain some of the Securities which it may sell, cancel or otherwise dispose of from time to time, as the case may be, as it may determine. The relevant Issuer is entitled, at any time before the expiration or maturity of the Securities of any Tranche, to purchase or sell such Securities in the open market or through private transactions.

The issue price of any Security specified in the relevant Final Terms (the "**Issue Price**") is an initial price set by the relevant Issuer as at the date of the relevant Final Terms. Such Issuer reserves the right to offer such Securities at any other price or prices as conclusively determined by it and no Holder shall have a claim against the relevant Issuer or the Guarantor by reason of the price offered to it or any other Holder.

GSI intends to issue the Securities to Holders. GSW intends to issue the Securities to GSI or such other entity specified as Dealer in the relevant Final Terms.

If applicable, the relevant Final Terms will specify the name and address of any entities in respect of which the Issuer has entered into an arrangement to provide a firm commitment to act as intermediaries in secondary trading, providing liquidity through bid and offer rates and description of the main terms of their commitment.

In the case of Notes to be offered to the public in Italy and/or listed in Italian markets or traded on Italian multilateral trading facilities, where (a) liquidity enhancement agreement(s) have been entered into whereby the entities acting as price makers undertake to show given bid-prices for the buy-back of the Notes, and (b) the resolution n. DEM/DME/9053316 dated 8 June 2009 of the *Commissione Nazionale per le Società e la Borsa* (CONSOB) applies or it is however required, the relevant Final Terms will provide suitable disclosure of such agreement(s) according to such resolution.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The Programme has been authorised pursuant to a written resolution of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of GSI passed on 28 September 1998. The accession of GSW as issuer to the Programme has been authorised pursuant to the Articles of Association of GSW. The Guaranty has been authorised pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Directors of GSG dated 16 September 2005.
2. For so long as any Securities shall be outstanding or may be issued under the Programme, copies of the following documents may be obtained free of charge upon request during normal business hours from the specified office of the Issuers and the office of the Programme Agent in Luxembourg and each of the Programme Agents:
  - (a) the Guaranty;
  - (b) the Programme Agreement;
  - (c) the Agency Agreement;
  - (d) the Deed of Covenant or Cayman Deed of Covenant, as applicable;
  - (e) the Final Terms for each Tranche or Series of Securities that are listed on the Official List of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange;
  - (f) a copy of the Base Prospectus;
  - (g) a copy of any supplement to the Base Prospectus and Final Terms; and
  - (h) all reports, letters and other documents, balance sheets, valuations and statements by any expert any part of which is extracted or referred to in this Base Prospectus.
3. Application has been made to list the Securities to be issued under the Programme on the Official List of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and to trade the Securities on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange. In connection with the application for any Series of Securities issued under the Programme to be listed on the Official List and traded on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuers and the Certificate of Incorporation of GSG have been registered with the Registre de Commerce et des Sociétés à Luxembourg where copies of such documents may be obtained upon request. As long as any Securities are listed on the Official List of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, the Issuers will maintain a Paying Agent in Luxembourg. However the Issuers are under no obligation to maintain listing of the Securities.
4. A request has been made to the *Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier* of Luxembourg to notify the following competent authorities of the approval of the Base Prospectus:
  - (a) Finanzmarktaufsicht (FMA) (Austria);
  - (b) Autorité des services et marchés financiers (FSMA) (Belgium);
  - (c) Finanssivalvonta (Finland);
  - (d) Autorité des Marchés Financiers (AMF) (France);
  - (e) Bundesanstalt für Finanzdienstleistungsaufsicht (BaFin) (Germany);
  - (f) Central Bank of Ireland (Ireland);
  - (g) Commissione Nazionale per le Società e la Borsa (CONSOB) (Italy);
  - (h) The Financial Supervisory Authority of Norway (Norway);
  - (i) Polish Financial Supervision Authority (PFSA) (Poland);

- (j) Comissão do Mercado de Valores Mobiliários (CMVM) (Portugal);
- (k) Comisión Nacional del Mercado de Valores (CNMV) (Spain);
- (l) Finansinspektionen (FI) (Sweden); and
- (m) Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) (United Kingdom).

If so indicated in the relevant Final Terms, financial intermediaries with consent to use this Base Prospectus for the subsequent resale or final placement of Securities may do so in any of the above Member States.

5. Copies of this Base Prospectus, any supplement hereto and the Final Terms in relation to each Series of Securities which is listed on the Official List of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and admitted to trading on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, will be available at the office of the Programme Agent in Luxembourg as well as online on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange's website at [www.bourse.lu](http://www.bourse.lu). In the case of a Tranche of Securities, which is not to be listed on the Official List or admitted to trading on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange, copies of the relevant Final Terms will also be available for inspection at the office of the Programme Agent in Luxembourg, but only by a Holder of such Securities.
6. Each Final Terms in relation to each Series of Securities will specify whether the Securities have been accepted for clearance through Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, through the Euroclear Sweden System, the VPS System, the Euroclear Finland System, Euroclear France, Monte Titoli or CREST, as the case may be. The appropriate common code and International Securities Identification Number in relation to the Securities of each such Series and any other clearing system as shall have accepted the relevant Securities for clearance will be specified in the Final Terms relating thereto.
7. Records of Securities in certificated or book-entry form, which are cleared through Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, will be maintained by Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. of 1 Boulevard du Roi Albert II, B- 1210 Brussels, Belgium and Clearstream Banking, SA of 42 Avenue J.F. Kennedy, L-1855 Luxembourg.
8. Although no assurance is made as to the liquidity of the Securities as a result of their listing on the Official List of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange or any other exchange, as the case may be, delisting the Securities from the Luxembourg Stock Exchange or any other exchange, as the case may be, may have a material adverse effect on a purchaser's ability to resell its Securities in the secondary market.
9. The yield for fixed rate Securities which is specified in the relevant Final Terms is calculated as at the Issue Price on the Issue Date. It is not an indication of future yield, which will depend on the price at which the Securities were acquired.
10. The relevant Issuer does not intend to provide post-issuance information, except if required by any applicable laws and regulations.

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