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### Announcement of Xetra Release 16.0

Dear Sir or Madam,

Deutsche Börse AG is planning to introduce Xetra Release 16.0 on 30 November 2015. This release will be mandatory for the participants of all Xetra markets.

With Xetra Release 16.0, functional and technical enhancements to further increase trading efficiency will be introduced. The major developments and changes that will be implemented with Xetra Release 16.0 are outlined below. Where the changes require amendments of the rules and regulations of the Frankfurter Wertpapierbörse (FWB<sup>®</sup>, the Frankfurt Stock Exchange), they are subject to corresponding resolutions of the FWB Exchange Council and approval by the Exchange Supervisory Authority.

- **Volume Discovery Service**

With the Volume Discovery Service, Xetra Release 16.0 offers an innovative combination of “dark” and “lit” liquidity. This new service combines the benefits of an iceberg order with those of a midpoint order. In addition to the execution of an iceberg order in the open order book, Volume Discovery offers the possibility to execute it at midpoint in the open order book against other iceberg orders that also use the Volume Discovery Service. For originators of iceberg orders, the usage of this service is optional.

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The Volume Discovery Service will increase the execution probability of orders with high volumes. Thereby, Deutsche Börse offers a unique service in Europe which allows quick execution of big orders without disturbing the market.

- **Self-Match Prevention**

The Self-Match Prevention (SMP) functionality will help Xetra Members to prevent unintended crossings. Since crossings are forbidden in some home states of Xetra Members, Xetra Release 16.0 will support Members to be compliant with regulatory requirements. A new optional field (Cross-ID) will be introduced which enables Members to prevent the execution of orders and quotes against any other order of the same Member with the same cross-ID. By entering different data in this field, Members will have the flexibility to define different rules for individual traders, trader groups or sessions. An incoming order intended for SMP can be executed until it meets another order with the same cross-ID on the other side of the order book. As soon as the order meets another order with the same cross-ID, both orders will be reduced by the quantity of the smaller order. The remaining aggressive order can be executed against existing liquidity up to the price level the SMP action took place at.

- **Quote Request**

The new Quote Request functionality combines the advantages of OTC trading with those of on-exchange trading. All products tradable at Börse Frankfurt Zertifikate AG can be traded in the Specialist trading model as well as by accepting a price on the basis of a quote request. So far, this functionality has been known only on OTC markets and will now be integrated in the regulated on-exchange Xetra Specialist trading model. Hence, Members can enter quote requests which will be answered by the Specialist with a quote. This quote will then be tradable for the sender of the quote request.

- **Xetra settlement internalisation**

With Xetra Release 16.0, settlement processes will be optimised by introducing the internalisation of settlement in addition to the already existing bilateral aggregation for non-CCP trades. By selecting this option, for trades whose buy and sell side can be allocated to the same Trading Member, no delivery instructions will be generated. Delivery as well as implementation of corporate actions have to be ensured internally by the Trading Member.

- **Enhancement of performance**

Optimisation of different Xetra functionalities as well as hardware enhancements will further reduce the latency of Xetra. This applies both to the absolute latency and the variance of latency.

Further details about enhancements and features of Xetra Release 16.0 will be published by Deutsche Börse AG on the dates stated in the communication calendar. The communication calendar will be made available in May 2015. It will contain an overview of publication dates for the Xetra Release 16.0 documents.

Members will be contacted by their Key Account Managers to provide a brief overview of the release. Members may also request a more detailed explanation by a product specialist about a specific release functionality by sending an e-mail to: [memberservices@deutsche-boerse.com](mailto:memberservices@deutsche-boerse.com).

For any questions you may have, please contact Trading & Clearing Services on tel. +49-(0) 69-2 11-1 16 40.

Yours faithfully,



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