

#### **Credit Suisse International**

# 600 Lock-in Call Certificates linked to the Nordic Corporate Bond Fund 2% VolTarget Index, due December 2022

(the "Certificates" or the "Securities")

Series SPCSI2017-817

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### **Prospectus**

This document constitutes a "prospectus" (the "**Prospectus**"), prepared for the purposes of Article 5.3 of Directive 2003/71/EC, as amended from time to time, including by Directive 2010/73/EU (the "**Prospectus Directive**") relating to the above Securities issued by Credit Suisse International (the "**Issuer**" or "**CSi**"). The Prospectus will be published on the website of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange (www.bourse.lu).

# **Programme**

The Prospectus is one of a number of prospectuses under the Structured Products Programme for the issuance of Notes, Certificates and Warrants (the "**Programme**") of the Issuer and Credit Suisse AG.

#### The Securities

The Securities are in the form of Certificates and are issued by the Issuer under the Programme. The terms and conditions of the Securities will comprise:

- the General Terms and Conditions of Certificates (the "General Conditions") as incorporated by reference from the Put and Call Securities Base Prospectus dated 27 July 2017 pursuant to the Credit Suisse AG and Credit Suisse International Structured Products Programme for the issuance of Notes, Certificates and Warrants that has been approved by the Luxembourg Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier (as supplemented up to, and including, the date hereof, the "Base Prospectus");
- the applicable Product Conditions (the "**Product Conditions**") as incorporated by reference from the Base Prospectus;
- the Asset Terms for Equity Index-linked Securities (the "Asset Terms") as incorporated by reference from the Base Prospectus; and
- the specific terms of the Securities, as completing and amending the General Conditions, the Product Conditions and the Asset Terms, as set forth in "Specific Terms" below.

# Information incorporated by reference

This Prospectus incorporates by reference certain information from the Base Prospectus and certain other filings in relation to the Issuer (see "Documents Incorporated by Reference" below). This Prospectus shall be read in conjunction with such information from the Base Prospectus and such filings.

# **Underlying Asset**

The return on the Securities is linked to the performance of the Nordic Corporate Bond Fund 2%

VolTarget Index.

# "Risk Factors" section in the Prospectus

Depending on the performance of the Underlying Asset, you may lose some or all of your investment in the Securities.

Before purchasing any Securities, you should consider, in particular, the "Risk Factors" below together with the relevant Risk Factors incorporated by reference from the Base Prospectus, the 31 August 2017 Supplement (as defined below), the 26 September 2017 Supplement (as defined below), the 14 November 2017 Supplement (as defined below) and the CSi 2016 Annual Report (as defined below).

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#### **IMPORTANT NOTICES**

# Potential for Discretionary Determinations by the Issuer under the Securities

Under the terms and conditions of the Securities, following the occurrence of certain events outside of its control, the Issuer may determine in its discretion to take one or more of the actions available to it in order to deal with the impact of such event on the Securities or the Issuer or both. It is possible that any such discretionary determination by the Issuer could have a material adverse impact on the value of and return on the Securities.

No other person is authorised to give information on the Securities: In connection with the issue and sale of the Securities, no person is authorised by the Issuer to give any information or to make any representation not contained in the Prospectus, and neither the Issuer nor the Dealer accepts responsibility for any information or representation so given that is not contained in the Prospectus.

**Not an offer**: The Prospectus does not constitute an offer to the public of Securities, and may not be used for the purposes of an offer to the public 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 is being taken to permit an offering of the Securities to the public or the distribution of the Prospectus in any jurisdiction where any such action is required except as specified herein.

**Restrictions on distribution**: The distribution of the Prospectus and the offering of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession the Prospectus comes are required by the Issuer to inform themselves about, and to observe, such restrictions. For a description of certain restrictions on offers or sales of the Securities and the distribution of the Prospectus and other offering materials relating to the Securities, please refer to the section entitled "Selling Restrictions" of the Base Prospectus which are incorporated by reference into this document.

**Important U.S. notice**: The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933 (the "**Securities Act**"). Subject to certain exemptions, the Securities may not be offered, sold or delivered within the United States of America or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons. A further description of the restrictions on offers and sales of the Securities in the United States or to U.S. persons is set forth in the section entitled "Selling Restrictions" of the Base Prospectus, which is incorporated by reference into this document.

**Information only as at the date hereof**: The delivery of this document at any time does not imply that any information contained herein is correct at any time subsequent to the date hereof.

**No post-issuance information**: The Issuer will not be providing any post-issuance information, except if required by any applicable laws and regulations.

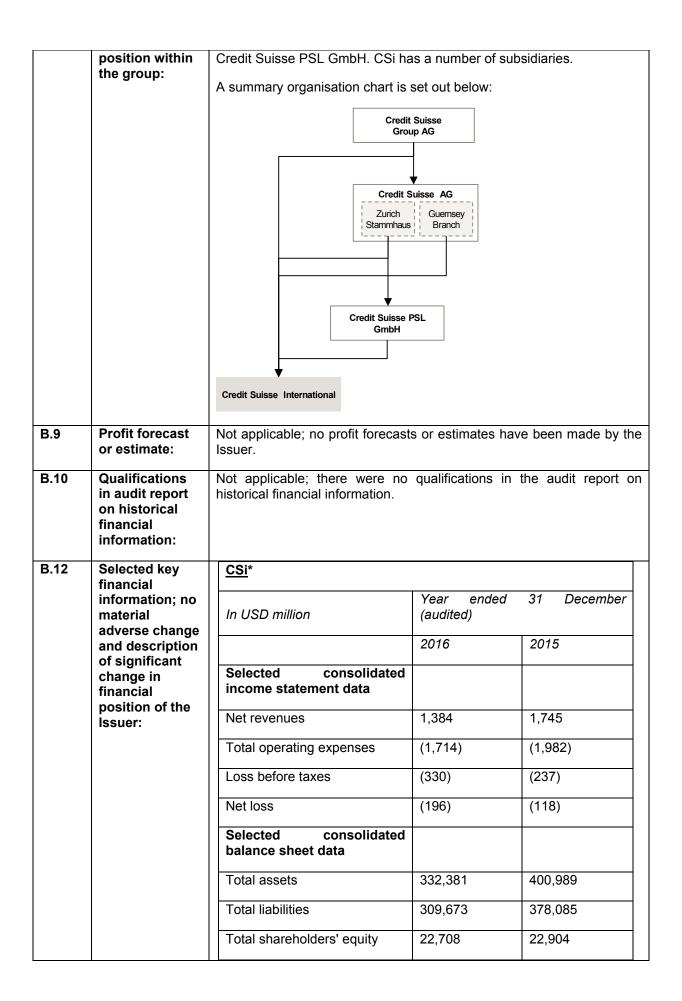
#### **SUMMARY**

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 this type of Securities and the 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 such Element. In this case a short description of the Element is included in the summary and marked as "Not applicable".

		Section A – Introduction and Warnings
A.1	Introduction and Warnings:	This Summary should be read as an introduction to the Prospectus. Any decision to invest in Securities should be based on consideration of the Prospectus as a whole by the investor.
		Where a claim relating to the information contained in the Prospectus is brought before a court, the plaintiff investor might, under the national legislation of the relevant Member State, have to bear the costs of translating the Prospectus before the legal proceedings are initiated.
		Civil liability only attaches 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 the Prospectus or it does not provide, when read together with the other parts of the Prospectus, key information in order to aid investors when considering whether to invest in the Securities.
A.2	Consent(s):	Not applicable; the Issuer does not consent to the use of the Prospectus for any subsequent resale of the Securities.
		Section B – Issuer
B.1	Legal and commercial name of the Issuer:	Credit Suisse International ("CSi") (the "Issuer").
B.2	Domicile and legal form of the Issuer, legislation under which the Issuer operates and country of incorporation of Issuer:	CSi is an unlimited company incorporated in England and Wales. CSi is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority ("PRA") and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA") and the PRA and operates under English law. Its registered head office is located at One Cabot Square, London E14 4QJ.
B.4b	Known trends with respect to the Issuer and the industries in which it operates:	Not applicable - there are no known trends, uncertainties, demands, commitments or events that are reasonably likely to have a material effect on the prospects of the Issuer for its current financial year.
B.5	Description of group and Issuer's	The shareholders of CSi are Credit Suisse AG (which holds CSi's ordinary shares through Credit Suisse AG (Zürich Stammhaus) and Credit Suisse AG, Guernsey Branch), Credit Suisse Group AG and



		Six months ended 30 Jur In USD million (unaudited)		ended 30 June
			2017	2016 (restated) <sup>(1)</sup>
		Selected consolidated income statement data		
		Net revenues	528	634
		Total operating expenses	(716)	(774)
		Loss before tax	(188)	(140)
		Net profit/(loss)	(141)	(71)
			Six months ended 30 June 2017 (unaudited)	Year ended 31 December 2016
		Selected consolidated balance sheet data		
		Total assets	273,633	332,381
		Total liabilities	251,036	309,673
		Total shareholders' equity	22,597	22,708
		*This key financial information is for CSi and its subsidiaries		
		(1) June 2016 numbers have been restated to disclose the imp discontinued operations.		sclose the impact of
		There has been no material adverse change in the prospects of the Issuer and its consolidated subsidiaries since 31 December 2016.		
		Not applicable; there has been no significant change in the financia position of the Issuer and its consolidated subsidiaries since 30 June 2017.		
B.13	Recent events particular to the Issuer which are to a material extent relevant to the evaluation of the Issuer's solvency:	solvency.		
B.14	Issuer's position in its corporate group and dependency on other entities within the corporate	See Element B.5 above.  The liquidity and capital require integral part of the wider CS growing regulatory liquidity and capital recommendations.	oup framework. Th	is includes the local

	group:	
B.15	Issuer's principal activities:	CSi's principal business is banking, including the trading of derivative products linked to interest rates, foreign exchange, equities, commodities and credit. The primary objective of CSi is to provide comprehensive treasury and risk management derivative product services.
B.16	Ownership and control of the Issuer:	The shareholders of CSi are Credit Suisse AG (which holds CSi's ordinary shares through Credit Suisse AG (Zürich Stammhaus) and Credit Suisse AG, Guernsey Branch), Credit Suisse Group AG and Credit Suisse PSL GmbH. CSi has a number of subsidiaries.
		Section C - Securities
C.1	Type and class of securities being offered and security identification number(s):	The securities (the "Securities") are certificates.  The Securities of a Series will be uniquely identified by ISIN: GB00BYQKVG49; Common Code: 173427000.
C.2	Currency:	The currency of the Securities will be Swedish Krona ("SEK") (the "Settlement Currency").
C.5	Description of restrictions on free transferability of the Securities:	The Securities have not been and will not be registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act") and may not be offered or sold within the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons except in certain transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws.  No offers, sales or deliveries of the Securities, or distribution of any offering material relating to the Securities, may be made in or from any jurisdiction except in circumstances that will result in compliance with any applicable laws and regulations.
C.8	Description of rights attached to the securities, ranking of the securities and limitations to rights:	Rights: The Securities will give each holder of Securities (a "Securityholder") the right to receive a potential return on the Securities (see Element C.18 below). The Securities will also give each Securityholder the right to vote on certain amendments.  Ranking: The Securities are unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the Issuer and will rank equally among themselves and with all other unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the Issuer from time to time outstanding.  Limitation to Rights:  The Issuer may redeem the Securities early for illegality reasons or following certain events affecting the Issuer's hedging arrangements and/or the underlying asset(s). The Securities may be redeemed early following an event of default. In each such
		case, the amount payable in respect of each Security on such early redemption will be equal to the Unscheduled Termination Amount, and no other amount shall be payable in respect of each Security on account of interest or otherwise.
		<ul><li>Where:</li><li>Unscheduled Termination Amount: in respect of each</li></ul>
		Security, an amount (which may be greater than or equal to

		zero) equal to the value of such Security immediately prior to it becoming due and payable following an event of default or, in all other cases, as soon as reasonably practicable following the determination by the Issuer to early redeem the Security, as calculated by the calculation agent using its then prevailing internal models and methodologies.  For the avoidance of doubt, if a Security is redeemed following an event of default, the Unscheduled Termination Amount shall not take account of any additional or immediate impact of the event of default itself on the Issuer's creditworthiness (including, but not limited to, an actual or anticipated downgrade in its credit rating).
		Subject to the conditions and other restrictions set out in the terms and conditions of the Securities, the Issuer may adjust the terms and conditions of the Securities without the consent of Securityholders following certain events affecting the Issuer's hedging arrangements and/or the underlying asset(s), or may early redeem the Securities at the Unscheduled Termination Amount as described above (and no other amounts shall be payable in respect of the Securities on account of interest or otherwise following such determination by the Issuer).
		<ul> <li>The terms and conditions of the Securities contain provisions for convening meetings of Securityholders to consider any matter affecting their interests, and any resolution passed by the relevant majority at a meeting will be binding on all Securityholders, whether or not they attended such meeting or voted for or against the relevant resolution. In certain circumstances, the Issuer may modify the terms and conditions of the Securities without the consent of Securityholders.</li> </ul>
		The Securities are subject to the following events of default: if the Issuer fails to pay any amount due in respect of the Securities within 30 days of the due date, or if any events relating to the insolvency or winding up of the Issuer occur.
		The Issuer may at any time, without the consent of the Securityholders, substitute for itself as Issuer under the Securities any company with which it consolidates, into which it merges or to which it sells or transfers all or substantially all of its property.
C.11	Admission to	Governing Law: The Securities are governed by English law.  Application has been made to admit the Securities to trading on the
	trading:	regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange.
		Application will also be made to admit the Securities to trading on the MTF Nasdaq First North Stockholm (or such other market or segment of Nasdaq Stockholm AB on which the Securities will be eligible for listing and/or admission to trading).
C.15	Effect of the underlying instrument(s) on value of investment:	The value of the Securities and the Redemption Amount payable in respect of Securities being redeemed on the Maturity Date will depend on the performance of the underlying asset(s) on the Final Fixing Date and the Lock-in Observation Dates.  See Element C.18 below for details on how the value of the Securities
		is affected by the value of the underlying asset(s).

C.16	Scheduled Maturity Date or Settlement Date:	The Maturity Date of the Securities shall be the later of (a) 28 December 2022 (the "Scheduled Maturity Date"), and (b) 3 currency business days following the Hedging Entity's receipt in full of the cash proceeds from the unwinding of its hedging arrangements in respect of the Securities, to the extent that any delay in the receipt of such cash proceeds is not caused by the Hedging Entity and/or is outside of the control of the Hedging Entity.		
		Where "Hedging Entity" means each of Credit Suisse International, Credit Suisse AG, London Branch or any affiliate of Credit Suisse International that holds or will hold financial instruments and investments as part of its hedging activities in direct or indirect connection with the Securities.		
C.17	Settlement Procedure:	The Securities will be delivered by the Issuer against payment of the issue price. Settlement procedures will depend on the clearing system for the Securities and local practices in the jurisdiction of the investor.		
		The Securities are cleared through Euroclear Sweden AB.		
C.18	Return on Derivative	The return on the Securities will derive from:		
	Securities:	unless the Securities have been previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled, the payment of the Redemption Amount on the scheduled Maturity Date of the Securities.		
		REDEMPTION AMOUNT		
		Unless the Securities have been previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled, the Issuer shall redeem the Securities on the Maturity Date.		
		The Issuer shall redeem the Securities on the Maturity Date at the redemption amount (the "Redemption Amount"), which shall be an amount rounded down to the nearest transferable unit of the Settlement Currency equal to the <i>product</i> of (a) the Nominal Amount, (b) the Participation Percentage and (c) the Performance.		
		Where:		
		Barrier Level: each of (a) 100 per cent. and (b) 100 per cent. plus each multiple of 5 per cent. thereafter (i.e. 105 per cent., 110 per cent., 115 per cent. and so on) (expressed as a decimal);		
		Final Fixing Date: in respect of the underlying asset, 13 December 2022, subject to adjustment.		
		Final Price: in respect of the underlying asset, the Level of such underlying asset on the Final Fixing Date.		
		Highest Lock: the highest Locked Level observed in respect of the Lock-in Observation Dates.		
		Initial Setting Date: in respect of the underlying asset, 13     December 2017, subject to adjustment.		
		Level: in respect of the underlying asset and any day, the level of such underlying asset as calculated and published by the relevant sponsor at the Valuation Time.		
		Lock-in Observation Date(s): each Scheduled Trading Day during the period commencing on, and including, the Initial Setting		

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		Date and ending on, and including, the Final Fixing Date.
		Locked Level: in respect of a Lock-in Observation Date and the underlying asset, the highest Barrier Level that is less than the Observation Level of such underlying asset in respect of such Lock-in Observation Date, provided that if the Observation Level of such underlying asset in respect of a Lock-in Observation Date is at or lower than the lowest Barrier Level then the Locked Level in respect of such Lock-in Observation Date shall be deemed to be equal to the lowest Barrier Level.
		Nominal Amount: SEK 100,000.
		Observation Level: in respect of a Lock-in Observation Date and the underlying asset, an amount equal to the <i>quotient</i> of (a) the Level of the underlying asset on such Lock-in Observation Date <i>divided</i> by (b) its Strike Price.
		Participation Percentage: 100 per cent.
		Performance: a percentage (expressed as a decimal) equal to the greater of (a) zero, (b) the difference between (i) the Final Price divided by the Strike Price, minus (ii) the Strike, and (c) the Highest Lock minus the Strike.
		Scheduled Trading Day: in respect of the underlying asset, any day on which the relevant sponsor is scheduled to publish the level of the underlying asset.
		Strike: 100 per cent. (expressed as a decimal).
		Strike Price: in respect of the underlying asset, the Level of such underlying asset on the Initial Setting Date.
		Valuation Time: in respect of the underlying asset, the time with reference to which the relevant sponsor calculates and publishes the level of such underlying asset.
C.19	Final reference price of underlying:	The Final Price of the underlying asset shall be determined on the Final Fixing Date. The Locked Levels of the underlying asset shall be determined over each of the Lock-in Observation Dates.
C.20	Type of underlying:	The underlying asset is the Nordic Corporate Bond Fund 2% VolTarget Index, a proprietary index sponsored by Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited, which measures the rate of return of a Credit Suisse proprietary strategy which aims to provide exposure to a fixed income mutual fund investing in Nordic corporate bonds.
		Information on the underlying asset can be found at: https://opus.credit-suisse.com/Default.aspx?LangCode=-1&InstCode=&MienCode=&Mold Code=&OpusCode=2&PageCode=.
		Section D - Risks
D.2	Key risks that are specific to the Issuer:	The Securities are general unsecured obligations of the Issuer. Investors in the Securities are exposed to the risk that the Issuer could become insolvent and fail to make the payments owing by it under the Securities.
		The Issuer is exposed to a variety of risks that could adversely affect its results of operations and/or financial condition, including, among others,

those described below:

- Market risk: The Issuer is subject to the risk of loss arising from adverse changes in interest rates, foreign currency rates, equity prices, commodity prices and other relevant parameters, such as market volatilities and correlations. Consequently, the Issuer is subject to the risk of potential changes in the fair values of financial instruments in response to market movements.
- **Liquidity risk**: The Issuer is subject to the risk that it is unable to fund assets and meet obligations as they fall due under both normal and stressed market conditions.
- Currency risk: The Issuer is exposed to the effects of fluctuations in the prevailing foreign currency exchange rates on its financial position and cash flows.
- Credit risk: The Issuer is subject to: (a) "credit risk", where the Issuer may incur a loss as a result of a borrower or counterparty failing to meet its financial obligations or as a result of deterioration in the credit quality of the borrower or counterparty, (b) "wrongway risk" or "correlation risk", where the Issuer's exposure to the counterparty in a financial transaction increases while the counterparty's financial health and its ability to pay on the transaction diminishes, and (c) "settlement risk", where the settlement of a transaction results in timing differences between the disbursement of cash or securities and the receipt of countervalue from the counterparty.
- Country risk: The Issuer is subject to the risk of a substantial, systemic loss of value in the financial assets of a country or group of countries, which may be caused by dislocations in the credit, equity and/or currency markets.
- Legal and regulatory risk: The Issuer faces significant legal risks in its businesses, including, amongst others, (a) disputes over terms or trades and other transactions in which the Credit Suisse group acts as principal, (b) the unenforceability or inadequacy of documentation used to give effect to transactions in which the Credit Suisse group participates, (c) investment suitability concerns, (d) compliance with the laws of the countries in which the Credit Suisse group does business and (e) disputes with its employees. The Issuer is also subject to increasingly more extensive and complex regulation, which may limit the Issuer's activities or increase the costs of compliance with regulation (including penalties or fines imposed by regulatory authorities). The Issuer (and the financial services industry) continue to be affected by the significant complexity of on-going regulatory reforms.
- Operational risk: The Issuer is subject to the risk of financial loss arising from inadequate or failed internal processes, people or systems, or from external events. Operational risks include the risk of fraudulent transactions, trade processing errors, business disruptions, failures in regulatory compliance, defective transactions, and unauthorised trading events.
- Conduct risk: The Issuer is exposed to the risk that poor conduct by the Credit Suisse group, employees or representatives which could result in clients not receiving a fair transaction, damage to the integrity of the financial markets or the wider financial system,

or ineffective competition in the markets in which the Issuer operates that disadvantages clients, including risks arising from unauthorised trading, potential unsuitability of products sold or advice provided to clients, inadequate disclosure, trade processing errors, inaccurate benchmark submissions, failure to safe-guard client data or assets and breaches of regulatory rules or laws by individual employees or market conduct.

- Reputational risk: The Issuer is subject to risk to its reputation, which may arise from a variety of sources such as the nature or purpose of a proposed transaction, the identity or nature of a potential client, the regulatory or political climate in which the business will be transacted or significant public attention surrounding the transaction itself.
- Regulatory action in the event that the Issuer is failing or the UK resolution authority considers that it is likely to fail: The UK Banking Act, which implements the EU Bank Recovery and Resolution Directive, provides for a "resolution regime" granting substantial powers to the UK resolution authority to implement resolution measures (including, but not limited to, directing the sale of the relevant institution or transfer of the relevant institution's business to a "bridge bank") with respect to a UK financial institution (such as the Issuer) where the UK resolution authority considers that the relevant institution is failing or is likely to fail and action is necessary in the public interest. If the Issuer were to become subject to a "resolution regime" you could lose some or all of your investment in the Securities. In addition, the UK resolution authority also has the power to exercise the "bail-in" tool in relation to Securities issued by the Issuer to write down the Issuer's liabilities or to convert a class of liability to another class. and this would result in the write down and/or conversion to equity of such Securities.

# D.6 Key risks that are specific to the Securities and risk warning that investors may lose value of entire investment or part of it:

The Securities are subject to the following key risks:

- The issue price or the offer price of the Securities may be more than the market value of such Securities as at the issue date, and more than the price at which the Securities can be sold in secondary market transactions. The issue price or the offer price of the Securities may take into account, where permitted by law, fees, commissions or other amounts relating to the issue, distribution and sale of the Securities, or the provision of introductory services, expenses incurred by the Issuer in creating, documenting and marketing the Securities and amounts relating to the hedging of its obligations under the Securities.
- The market value of the Securities and the amount payable or deliverable at maturity depend on the performance of the underlying asset(s). The performance of an underlying asset may be subject to sudden and large unpredictable changes over time (known as "volatility"), which may be affected by national or international, financial, political, military or economic events or by the activities of participants in the relevant markets. Any of these events or activities could adversely affect the value of and return on the Securities.
- If the *product* of (a) the Participation Percentage and (b) the Performance is less than 8 per cent., an investor will lose some or all of their investment.

- The Redemption Amount for the Securities is calculated based on the Nominal Amount of SEK 100,000, and the issue price is SEK 8,000. The Securities therefore utilise leverage and investors will participate disproportionately in the performance of the underlying asset.
- A secondary market for the Securities may not develop and, if it
  does, it may not provide the investors with liquidity and may not
  continue for the life of the Securities. Illiquidity may have an
  adverse effect on the market value of the Securities. The price in
  the market for a Security may be less than its issue price or its
  offer price and may reflect a commission or a dealer discount,
  which would further reduce the proceeds you would receive for
  your Securities.
- The market value of the Securities will be affected by many factors beyond the control of the Issuer (including, but not limited to, the creditworthiness of the Issuer, the interest rates and yield rates in the market, the volatility of the underlying asset(s) (if any), etc.).
   Some or all of these factors will influence the value of the Securities in the market.
- The total size of Securities being issued on the issue date may be greater than the amount subscribed or purchased by investors as the dealer may retain some of the Securities as part of its issuing, market-making and/or trading arrangements or for the purposes of meeting future investor demand. The issue size of the Securities should not be regarded as indicative of the depth or liquidity of the market, or the demand, for the Securities.
- The levels and basis of taxation on the Securities and any reliefs from such taxation will depend on an investor's individual circumstances and could change at any time. The tax and regulatory characterisation of the Securities may change over the life of the Securities. This could have adverse consequences for investors.
- In certain circumstances (for example, if the Issuer determines that its obligations under the Securities have become unlawful or illegal, following an event of default or following certain events affecting the Issuer's hedging arrangements and/or the underlying asset(s)) the Securities may be redeemed prior to their scheduled maturity. In such circumstances, the Unscheduled Termination Amount payable may be less than the original purchase price and could be as low as zero. No other amounts shall be payable in respect of the Securities on account of interest or otherwise following such determination by the Issuer.
- Following early redemption of Securities, investors may not be able to reinvest the redemption proceeds in an investment having a comparable rate of return. Investors in Securities may therefore lose some or all of their investment in such case.
- Investors will have no 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 referenced by the Securities.
- Investors may be exposed to currency risks because the underlying asset(s) may be denominated in a currency other than the currency in which the Securities are denominated, or the

Securities and/or underlying asset(s) may be denominated in currencies other than the currency of the country in which the investor is resident. The value of the Securities may therefore increase or decrease based on fluctuations in those currencies.

- The Issuer is not obliged to maintain the listing of the Securities. If the regulated market or other market in respect of which the Securities are listed and/or admitted to trading closes, or if the relevant regulated market in respect of which the Securities are admitted to trading is replaced with a market that is not a regulated market, the Issuer may de-list the Securities or may consent to the Securities to be admitted to trading on such replacement market instead.
- The Issuer may apply any consequential postponement of, or any alternative provisions for, valuation of an underlying asset following certain disruption events in relation to such underlying asset, each of which may have an adverse effect on the value of and return on the Securities.
- The rules of a proprietary index may be amended by the relevant index sponsor at any time and the index sponsor has no obligation to take into account the interests of Securityholders when calculating such proprietary index. A proprietary index may also include deductions which will act as a drag on its performance and adversely affect the value of and return on the Securities.
- There is no guarantee that the strategy on which the underlying asset is based will be successful or that the underlying asset will outperform any alternative strategy.
- The underlying asset has an in-built volatility control mechanism and the level of the underlying asset is sensitive to the volatility of its components.
- The underlying asset is a proprietary index. Proprietary indices are subject to additional risks associated with a limited operating history and a reliance on external data.
- "Benchmarks" are subject to recent national, international and other regulatory reforms, which may cause such "benchmarks" to perform differently than in the past, or to disappear entirely, or have other consequences which cannot be predicted. Any such consequence could have a material adverse effect on any Securities linked to a "benchmark".
- The Issuer may modify the terms and conditions of the Securities without the consent of Securityholders for the purposes of (a) curing any ambiguity or correcting or supplementing any provision if the Issuer determines it to be necessary or desirable, provided that such modification is not prejudicial to the interests of Securityholders, or (b) correcting a manifest error.
- Subject to the conditions and other restrictions set out in the terms
  and conditions of the Securities, the Issuer may adjust the terms
  and conditions of the Securities without the consent of
  Securityholders following certain events affecting the Issuer's
  hedging arrangements and/or the underlying asset(s), or may
  early redeem the Securities at an amount which may be less than
  the initial investment.

- In making discretionary determinations under the terms and conditions of the Securities, the Issuer and the calculation agent may take into account the impact on the relevant hedging arrangements. Such determinations could have a material adverse effect on the value of and return on the Securities, and could result in their early redemption.
- Subject to the conditions and other restrictions set out in the terms
  and conditions of the Securities, the Issuer may be substituted
  without the consent of Securityholders in favour of any affiliate of
  the Issuer or another company with which it consolidates, into
  which it merges or to which it sells or transfers all or substantially
  all of its property.
- The Issuer is subject to a number of conflicts of interest, including: (a) in making certain calculations and determinations, there may be a difference of interest between the investors and the Issuer, (b) in the ordinary course of its business the Issuer (or an affiliate) may effect transactions for its own account and may enter into hedging transactions with respect to the Securities or the related derivatives, which may affect the market price, liquidity or value of the Securities, (c) the Issuer (or an affiliate) may have confidential information in relation to the underlying asset(s) or any derivative instruments referencing them, but which the Issuer is under no obligation (and may be subject to legal prohibition) to disclose, and (d) the index sponsor is an affiliate of the Issuer and the Issuer also acts as the index calculation agent of the underlying asset, and in such capacities, may exercise certain discretionary powers in relation to the underlying asset which could have the effect of reducing the returns on and value of the Securities.

Depending on the performance of the underlying asset, you may lose some or all of your investment in the Securities. Furthermore, investors may lose some or all of their investment if one or more of the following occurs: (a) the Securities do not provide for scheduled repayment in full of the issue or purchase price at maturity or upon mandatory early redemption or optional early redemption of the Securities, (b) the Issuer fails and is unable to make payments owing under the Securities, (c) any adjustments are made to the terms and conditions of the Securities following certain events affecting the underlying asset(s) and/or the Issuer's hedging arrangements, that result in the amount payable being reduced, or (d) investors sell their Securities prior to maturity in the secondary market at an amount that is less than the initial purchase price.

	Section E - Other			
E.2b	Reasons for the offer and use of proceeds:	Not applicable; the net proceeds from the issue of the Securities will be used by the Issuer for its general corporate purposes (including hedging arrangements).		
E.3	Terms and conditions of the offer:	The Securities have been offered to the dealer at the issue price. The Securities are not being publicly offered.		
E.4	Interests material to the issue/offer:	Fees shall be payable to the distributor(s). The Issuer is subject to conflicts of interest between its own interests and those of holders of Securities, as described in Element D.6 above.		

Estimated expenses charged to the	Not applicable; there are no estimated expenses charged to the investor by the Issuer.
investor by the Issuer/offeror:	The dealer will pay a fee to the distributor(s) in connection with the issue of up to 2 per cent. of the Nominal Amount per Security upfront. The issue price and the terms of the Securities take into account such fee and may be more than the market value of the Securities on the issue date.

#### **RISK FACTORS**

The risk factors set out below should be read in addition to (a) the risk factors set out on pages 82 to 157 (inclusive) of the Base Prospectus (as supplemented by the 31 August 2017 Supplement, the 26 September 2017 Supplement and the 14 November 2017 Supplement (each as defined below)), which includes (i) the risk factors relating to the Issuer set out on pages 85 to 120 (inclusive) of the Base Prospectus and (ii) the risk factors relating to the Securities set out on pages 120 to 157 (inclusive) of the Base Prospectus, and (b) the risk factors set out in the CSi 2016 Annual Report. Such risk factors are risk factors that are material to the Securities in order to assess the market risk associated with them or which may affect the Issuer's ability to fulfil its obligations under them.

Depending on the performance of the Underlying Asset, you may lose some or all of your investment in the Securities.

#### General

- 1. If the *product* of (a) the Participation Percentage and (b) the Performance is less than 8 per cent., an investor will lose some or all of their investment.
- 2. The Redemption Amount for the Securities is calculated based on the Nominal Amount of SEK 100,000, and the Issue Price is SEK 8,000. The Securities therefore utilise leverage and investors will participate disproportionately in the performance of the Underlying Asset.
- 3. Investors may also lose some or all of their investment if one or more of the following occurs:
  - (a) the Issuer fails and is unable to make payments owing under the Securities;
  - (b) investors sell their Securities prior to maturity in the secondary market at an amount that is less than the initial purchase price; or
  - (c) any adjustments are made to the terms and conditions of the Securities following certain events affecting the Issuer's hedging arrangements and/or the Underlying Asset, that result in the amount payable being reduced.
- 4. Securityholders are exposed to the credit risk of the Issuer as the Securities are unsecured. The Securities will be adversely affected in the event of a default, reduced credit rating or deterioration in the solvency of the Issuer.
- 5. The Securities involve complex risks, which include, among other things, share price risks, credit risks, foreign exchange risks, exchange rate risks, interest rate risks and/or political risks. Before buying the Securities, investors should carefully consider, among other things, (a) the trading price of the Securities, (b) the level and volatility of the Underlying Asset, (c) the depth of the market or liquidity of the Securities, and (d) any related transaction costs. An investment in the Securities is only suitable for investors who (either alone or in conjunction with an appropriate financial adviser) are capable of evaluating the merits and risks of such an investment. Investors should consult their own financial, tax, legal or other advisers as they consider appropriate and carefully review and consider such an investment decision in the light of the foregoing and their personal circumstances.
- 6. A secondary market for the Securities may not develop and, if it does, it may not provide the holders with liquidity and may not continue for the life of the Securities. A decrease in the liquidity of the Securities may cause, in turn, an increase in the volatility associated with the price of such Securities. Illiquidity may have a severely adverse effect on the market value of the Securities.
- 7. In making calculations and determinations with regard to the Securities, there may be a conflict of interest between the investors and the Calculation Agent and/or the Issuer. Save where otherwise provided, the Calculation Agent and/or the Issuer are each required to act in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner. However, the Calculation Agent and/or the Issuer do not have any obligations of agency or trust for any investors and have no fiduciary obligations towards them. In particular, each of the Calculation Agent, the Issuer and their

affiliated entities may have interests in other capacities (such as other business relationships and activities). Prospective investors should be aware that any determination made by the Calculation Agent and/or the Issuer may have a negative impact on the value of and return on the Securities.

- 8. The Issuer and its affiliates are not acting as a fiduciary for, or an adviser to, any investor in respect of the Securities and each investor will be solely responsible and must have sufficient knowledge, experience and professional advice (which may be from third parties) to make its own evaluation of the merits and risks of investment of the Securities. Neither the Issuer, nor any of its affiliates, is an agent of any Securityholder for any purpose.
- 9. By purchasing the Securities, investors acknowledge that they are not relying on the views or advice of, or any information from, the Issuer or its affiliates in respect of the purchase of the Securities.
- 10. Each Security's retention of value is dependent on the creditworthiness of the Issuer, which may change over the term of the Securities. The Securities are unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of Credit Suisse International and rank equally with all other unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of Credit Suisse International. Securityholders are exposed to the risk that the Issuer could become insolvent and fail to make payments owing by it under the Securities. Credit Suisse International, a bank domiciled in England established under English law, is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Credit Suisse Group AG. Credit Suisse International is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority (the "PRA") and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (the "FCA") and the PRA. Securities are not deposits, and are not covered by any deposit insurance or protection scheme.
- Neither the Issuer nor any of its affiliates make any representation as to the performance of the Securities.
- 12. The levels and basis of taxation on the Securities and any relief from such taxation can change at any time. The levels and basis of taxation on the Securities and availability of any tax relief will depend on the individual circumstances of each investor and any tax regime which is applicable to the Security and/or the investor. The tax and regulatory characterisation of the Securities may change over the life of the Securities. This could have adverse consequences for investors.

# Risks concerning the exercise of discretion by the Issuer

The Securities are offered to the investors at the relevant price and on the relevant terms on the basis that the Issuer can effectively hedge and manage its risks and obligations under the Securities. The Issuer may hedge its obligations under the Securities by buying or selling the stocks or bonds which are components of the underlying Index. In addition, the Securities are provided to investors on the basis that the Index Component Costs do not materially increase over the life of the Securities. Index Component Costs include costs to the Issuer to acquire, establish, substitute, maintain, unwind or dispose of any position in a Component the Issuer deems necessary to hedge its obligations owed to Securityholders under the terms of the Securities.

Any material increase in cost of hedging may be passed onto Securityholders

A "Materially Increased Cost of Hedging" event has been included in the Securities (as an Additional Disruption Event) in order to pass on any material increase in Index Component Costs to Securityholders in certain circumstances, at the Issuer's discretion. The Issuer may determine that such "Materially Increased Cost of Hedging" Additional Disruption Event has occurred where there is material increase in Index Components Costs (which can include, but is not limited to, the levying of fees upon transacting in a Component, a material widening of the bid/offer spreads (the difference between the highest price that a buyer is willing to pay for the Component and the lowest price for which a seller is willing to sell it)), but only to the extent that:

• such increase would be incurred by a hypothetical investor (located in England) in respect of that Component, and the deduction of such increased costs in the calculation of the Index Level is expected, as determined by the Calculation Agent, to have a material adverse effect on the

future performance of the Index, taking into account:

- whether such increased Index Component Costs materially exceed the Index Component Costs embedded in the calculation of the Index as of the Trade Date; and
- the expected size and frequency of any future rebalancing and reallocation of Components within the Index; and
- the effects of such increased Index Component Costs, if deducted in the calculation of the Index, would be material in the context of the prevailing risk return profile of the Index, taking into account the historical rebalancing and allocation of the Index to the relevant Component and the historical performance and volatility of the Index.

Any such exercise of a discretionary determination by the Issuer could have a material adverse impact on the value of and return on the Securities and/or could result in payment to Securityholders of the Unscheduled Termination Amount on a day selected by the Issuer in its discretion. This has the effect of passing from the Issuer to Securityholders the risks of the Issuer's hedging costs in relation to the Index.

Determinations made by the Issuer in respect of certain other events could have an adverse value on the value of and return on the Securities

The adjustment events referred to in risk factor 3(h) (*In certain circumstances, the Issuer may redeem the Securities* (other than due to a mandatory Trigger Event or exercise of a Call Option) prior to their scheduled maturity. The Unscheduled Termination Amount payable on such early redemption may be less than the issue price or the purchase price and investors may therefore lose some or all of their investment and may not be able to reinvest the proceeds in another investment offering a comparable return) in the Base Prospectus include, in respect of the Index, Successor Sponsor or Successor Index, an Index Adjustment Event or an Additional Disruption Event.

#### (a) Successor Sponsor or Successor Index

If an Index is (i) not calculated and announced by the Sponsor but is calculated and announced by a successor sponsor acceptable to the Issuer (a "Successor Sponsor"), or (ii) replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Issuer, 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. In such event, the Issuer may adjust the terms and conditions of the Securities to account for the effect of such event and to preserve the original economic objective and rationale of the Securities.

If there is a Successor Sponsor or Successor Index in place of the Sponsor or Index, the Issuer may also make such adjustments it deems necessary to account for such successor index and to preserve the original economic objective and rationale of the Securities.

# (b) Index Adjustment Events

Index Adjustment Events include (i) a permanent cancellation of the Index and no Successor Index exists as of the date of cancellation (an "Index Cancellation"), (ii) the determination by the Issuer that the Sponsor (or Successor Sponsor) fails to calculate and announce such Index (an "Index Disruption") or (iii) the Sponsor makes (or will make) a material change in the formula for or method of calculating the Index, or otherwise materially modifies such Index (an "Index Modification").

In the case of an Index Disruption, the Issuer may determine that such an event instead results in a Disrupted Day.

Upon determining that an Index Adjustment Event has occurred in respect of the Index, and such event having a material effect on the Securities, the Issuer may calculate the relevant Index Level, in lieu of a published level, by reference to the relevant formula for, and method of, calculation and Components which comprised the Index immediately before such event. If the Issuer determines that such adjustment would not achieve a commercially reasonable result, the Issuer may redeem the Securities at the Unscheduled Termination Amount on a day

selected by the Issuer in its discretion.

# (c) Additional Disruption Events

An Additional Disruption Event means a Change in Law (where, broadly, as a result of a change in any applicable law, it has become unlawful or illegal for the Issuer or its affiliates to conduct its hedging arrangements, or will incur a materially increased cost in performing its obligations under the Securities), a Hedging Disruption (being, broadly, an event which impacts upon the ability of the Issuer and/or its affiliates to hedge the risk of the Issuer entering into and performing its obligations under the Securities), a Materially Increased Cost of Hedging (as described above), and/or an Index Disruption Event (where an Index Disruption Event as defined in the rules of the Index occurs).

Upon the occurrence of an Additional Disruption Event, the Issuer may determine (i) the appropriate adjustment (if any) to be made to the terms and conditions of the Securities, to account for the effect of such event and to preserve the original economic objective and rationale of the Securities, or (ii) that no adjustments to the terms and conditions would achieve a commercially reasonable result, in which case, the Issuer may redeem the Securities at the Unscheduled Termination Amount on a date selected by the Issuer in its discretion. This has the effect of passing the risks associated with the Additional Disruption Event to Securityholders which will impact the performance of the Securities.

In making any such determinations, the Issuer in such capacity will act in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, and (where there is a corresponding applicable regulatory obligation) shall take into account whether fair treatment is achieved by any such adjustments or determinations in accordance with its applicable regulatory obligations.

Please refer to the section headed "Overview of the Potential For Discretionary Determinations by the Issuer" in the Base Prospectus for more information.

# The Securities are linked to a Credit Suisse proprietary index

The Securities are linked to the Nordic Corporate Bond Fund 2% VolTarget Index (the "Index"), which is a Credit Suisse proprietary index. The index level is calculated by Credit Suisse International as Index Calculation Agent (as defined under the Index Rules) and Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited as Index Sponsor makes various determinations by reference to the Index Rules. Such index level is calculated so as to include certain deductions or adjustments that synthetically reflects certain factors, which may include transaction and servicing costs and notional fees. Further:

- In the normal course of business, the Issuer and/or its affiliates may have, or may have had, interests or positions, or may buy, sell or otherwise trade positions, in or relating to the Index and/or the constituents thereof, or may have invested, or may engage in transactions with others relating to any of these items and/or engaged in trading, brokerage and financing activities, as well as providing investment banking and financial advisory services in respect of the Index and/or the constituents thereof. Accordingly, the Issuer and/or any of its affiliates may at any time hold long or short positions, and may trade or otherwise effect transactions, for its own account or the accounts of its customers in respect of the Index and/or the constituents thereof. Such activity may, or may not, affect the level of the Index and consequently the value of the Securities, but Securityholders should be aware that a conflict of interest may arise.
- The Issuer and the Index Sponsor of the Index are affiliated entities and may face a conflict of interest between their obligations as Issuer and Index Sponsor, respectively, and their interests in another capacity. In such circumstances, the Issuer has various discretionary powers in connection with (a) certain determinations and valuations in respect of the Securities, and (b) the composition, the calculation of the level and other determinations in respect of the Index, exercise of any of which could have the effect of reducing the returns on the Securities to the Securityholders thereof. In particular, upon the occurrence of certain events which have an impact on the constituents of the Index (namely, market disruption events or other events affecting the constituents of the Index) the Issuer may exercise discretion in adjusting the calculation of the value of the Index or of any affected constituents. No assurance can be given that the resolution of such potential conflicts of interest may not be prejudicial to the interests of

Securityholders.

Please see also risk factor 6(h) (Risks associated with Proprietary Indices) in the Base Prospectus.

# General risks relating to the Index

# (a) Historical or hypothetical performance of the Index is not an indication of future performance

The historical or hypothetical performance of the Index should not be taken as an indication of the future performance of the Index. The level of the Index may fluctuate significantly. It is impossible to predict whether the level, value or price of the Index will fall or rise during the term of your investment. Past performance is not a guarantee or an indication of future returns.

# (b) No operating history

The Index has limited operating history with no proven track record in achieving the stated investment objective. No assurance can be given that the allocation will perform in line with market benchmark, and the Index could underperform market benchmark and/or decline.

# (c) No assurance of performance

No assurance can be provided that any strategy on which an Index is based will be successful or that the Index will outperform any alternative strategy that might be used in respect of the same or similar investment objectives.

# (d) Notional exposure

The Index is constructed on "notional" investments and there is no actual portfolio of assets to which any person is entitled or in respect of which any person has any direct or indirect ownership interest. The Index simply reflects a rules-based proprietary trading strategy, the performance of which is used as a reference point for the purposes of calculating the level of the Index. Investors in products which are linked to the Index will not have a claim in respect of any of the components of the Index.

# (e) Publication of the Index

The Index level, in respect of an Index Calculation Day, is scheduled to be published on the immediately following Index Calculation Day. In certain circumstances such publication may be delayed.

# (f) The Index relies on external data

The Index relies on data from external providers. While Credit Suisse intends to use well established and reputable providers, there is a risk that this data may be inaccurate, delayed or not up to date. There is also a risk that while the data is accurate, the data feed to Credit Suisse is impaired. Such impairment to either the data or the data feed could affect the performance or continued operability of the Index. The risk of such impairment may be borne by investors in products linked to the Index and Credit Suisse may decide not to subsequently revise the Index (except where such impairment is caused by Credit Suisse's negligence, fraud or wilful default). There is also a risk to the continuity of the Index in the event that the Index Sponsor ceases to exist. In the event that certain external data is not available, Credit Suisse as calculation agent for the Index may determine the necessary data in order to maintain the continuity of the Index.

# (g) The Index relies on Credit Suisse infrastructure and electronic systems

The Index relies on Credit Suisse infrastructure and electronic systems (including internal data feeds). Any breakdown or impairment to such infrastructure or electronic systems could affect the performance or continued operability of the Index. The risk of such breakdown or impairment shall be borne by investors in products linked to the Index except when caused by Credit Suisse's negligence, fraud or wilful default. Neither Credit Suisse nor its affiliates shall be under any liability to account for any loss or damage incurred by any person in connection with

any change to, removal of or operational risks generated by the Index or its strategy except when caused by Credit Suisse's negligence, fraud or wilful default.

(h) Amendments to the Index Rules; Index Component Substitution; Withdrawal of the Index

The Index Sponsor may in consultation with the Index Calculation Agent and the Index Committee (who are also part of the Credit Suisse Group AG), supplement, amend (in whole or in part), revise, rebalance or withdraw the Index at any time if either (i) there is any event or circumstance that in the determination of the Index Sponsor makes it impossible or impracticable to calculate the Index pursuant to the Index Rules (ii) a change to the Index Rules is required to address an error, ambiguity or omission, (iii) the Index Sponsor determines that an Extraordinary Event (as described below) has occurred, or (iv) the Index Sponsor determines that a Fund Disruption Event (as described below) has occurred.

Following any withdrawal of the Index the Index Sponsor may, but is not obliged to do so, replace the Index with a successor index and/or replace the Strategy with a similar successor strategy or an entirely new strategy at any time, as it deems appropriate in its discretion.

A supplement, amendment, revision or rebalancing may lead to a change in the way the Index is calculated or constructed and this may, in turn, affect the performance of the Index. Such changes may include, without limitation, substitution of an Index Component, or changes to the Index Strategy.

Extraordinary Events include (at a general level) any of the following events or circumstances, which in the case of (i) to (v) have had or will have a material effect on the Index:

- (i) A change to the liquidity, the trading volume, the terms or listing of any Index Component;
- (ii) A change in, or interpretation of, any applicable law or regulation;
- (iii) Any event or circumstance such that the value of an Index Component is deemed unreliable:
- (iv) An Index Component is permanently discontinued or otherwise unavailable;
- (v) A change in the method by which the value of an Index Component is calculated;
- (vi) Any event that has a material adverse effect on the ability of the Index Sponsor (or any of its affiliates) to establish, maintain, value, rebalance or unwind a hedge position (which may include physical investments or entering into derivatives, including futures contracts or OTC derivatives) in relation to an investment product linked to the Index; or
- (vii) Any other event which, either (i) has a material adverse impact on the ability of the Index Calculation Agent, Index Sponsor to perform its duties, or (ii) serves to frustrate or affect the purpose or aims of the Index Strategy, or (iii) the overall notional amount of products linked to the Index falls to a size which renders the continuation of the Index economically unviable for the Index Sponsor.

With respect to an Index Component which is a mutual fund, Fund Disruption Event includes (at a general level) any of the following events or circumstances:

- (i) A fund manager or any affiliate breaches an agreement with the Index Sponsor;
- (ii) A cross-contamination or other failure to segregate effectively assets between different classes, series or sub-funds of a fund;
- (iii) A fund or fund service provider becomes insolvent;
- (iv) A fund modification including (A) any change in a fund prospectus which could alter the value, right or remedies or investment strategy of such fund, (B) any change to the legal constitution or management of a fund which materially alters the nature of the fund of the

fund manager in relation to the fund or (C) the fund manager imposes fees or new dealing rules;

- (v) A significant reduction to the aggregate net asset value of a fund;
- (vi) A significant reduction to the aggregate net asset value of a fund manager;
- (vii) A fund loses its applicable license or authorisation;
- (viii) A regulatory action including (A) the cancellation, suspension or revocation of the registration or approval of a fund or service provider, (B) any change in the legal, tax, accounting, or regulatory treatments of the fund or its fund manager, or (C) the fund or any of its service providers becoming subject to any investigation, arbitration, regulatory action, government action, proceeding or litigation for any activities relating to or resulting from the operation of the fund or service provider;
- (ix) Any event affecting a fund that would make it impossible or impracticable to determine the value or risk profile of such fund; or
- (x) Any breach or violation of any strategy or investment restriction, or a change in the risk profile of a fund.

# (i) Discretion of the Index Sponsor

The Index Rules provide Credit Suisse in its capacity as Index Sponsor the discretion to make certain calculations, determinations, and amendments from time to time (for example, on the occurrence of an Index Disruption Event as described below). While such discretion will be exercised in good faith and a commercially reasonable manner, and (where there is a corresponding applicable regulatory obligation) the Index Sponsor shall take into account whether fair treatment is achieved by any such calculation, determination and exercise of discretion in accordance with its applicable regulatory obligations, it may be exercised without the consent of the investor and may have an adverse impact on the financial return of an investment linked to the Index. To the extent permitted by applicable regulation, Credit Suisse and its affiliates shall be under no liability to account for any loss or damage to any person arising pursuant to its exercise of or omission to exercise any such discretion except where such loss or damage is caused by Credit Suisse's negligence, fraud or wilful default.

# (j) Index Disruption Events

Where, in the determination of the Index Sponsor, an Index Disruption Event has occurred or is existing and subsisting in respect of any Index Calculation Day (a "Disrupted Day"), the Index Sponsor may in respect of such Disrupted Day (i) suspend the calculation and publication of the Index value; (ii) determine the Index value on the basis of estimated or adjusted data and publish an estimated level of the Index value and/or; (iii) take any other action, including but not limited to, designation of alternative price sources, reconstitution of the Index or temporary close-out of option positions. Any such action could have an adverse impact on the financial return of an investment linked to the Index. Such action may not be re-considered in the event that actual or more accurate data subsequently becomes available.

Index Disruption Events include (at a general level) any of the following events and circumstances:

- (i) At a general level: (A) an unscheduled closure of the money markets; (B) the failure, suspension or postponement of any calculation within the Index Strategy or a determination by the Index Calculation Agent that the last reported Index Value should not be relied upon; and (C) the disruption of trading on the relevant exchange or other trading facility of instruments referenced in the calculation of the Index by the Index Calculation Agent or any other similar event.
- (ii) At the level of an Index Component which is a mutual fund: the occurrence of a Fund Disruption Event.

Such Index Disruption Events are included to reflect the fact that the Index is an investible index and can be replicated by a hypothetical investor.

# (k) Potential Adjustment Events

Where, in the determination of the Index Sponsor, a Potential Adjustment Event has occurred in respect of an Index Component which is either an ETF or a mutual fund, and that such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the value of the relevant Index Component, the Index Sponsor may (i) make adjustment(s), if any, to the relevant Index Component, as the Index Sponsor determines appropriate to account for the 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 the relevant Fund), and (ii) determine the effective date(s) of the adjustment(s).

With respect to an Index Component which is a mutual fund, a Potential Adjustment Event includes any of the following events or circumstances:

- (i) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of the relevant Index Component, or a free distribution or dividend of any Index Component which is a mutual fund to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue;
- (ii) a distribution, issue or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Index Component;
- (iii) the declaration or payment of an extraordinary dividend;
- (iv) a repurchase by any Index Component of its shares the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise, other than in respect of a redemption of shares initiated by an investor which is consistent with the relevant Index Component documents;
- (v) a nationalisation, delisting, merger of an Index Component or, tender offer to purchase or exchange an Index Component; or
- (vi) any other event that may have a diluting or concentrating effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Index Component.
- (I) Economic proposition; Right to supplement, amend, revise, rebalance or withdraw the Index; Index Component Substitution;

The right of the Index Sponsor to exercise its discretion to supplement, amend, revise, rebalance the Index including the right to substitute Index Components, is required to ensure the notional investments entered by the Index remain a viable investment proposition for a hypothetical investor seeking to replicate the Index Strategy.

Where a supplement, amendment, revision, rebalancing of the Index or substitution of an Index Component does not ensure the notional investments entered by the Index remain a viable investment proposition for a hypothetical investor seeking to replicate the Index Strategy, or the Index Sponsor needs to withdraw the Index to meet its own risk management requirements, the Index Sponsor has the right to exercise its discretion to withdraw the Index.

This is integral to the ability of any market participant to offer products linked to the Index. For the occurrence of certain events may affect the investibility of the Index and could result in additional risks or costs for Credit Suisse, however, the Index Sponsor may exercise its discretion to take one of the actions available to it under the rules of the Index in order to deal with the impact of these events. The exercise of such discretions has the effect of, amongst other things, transferring the risks and costs resulting from such events from Credit Suisse to investors in the products linked to the Index.

# STRATEGY SPECIFIC RISKS

The Index is sensitive to the volatility of the Base Index

Due to the in-built volatility control mechanism, the exposure of the Index to the Base Index (as defined in the Index Rules) varies according to the volatility of the Base Index. As volatility rises, the Index reduces exposure to the Base Index and conversely, as volatility falls, the Index's exposure to the Base Index increases. Therefore the Index may underperform relative to the Base Index where:

- High volatility followed by positive performance of the Base Index: here an investor would not benefit as greatly as an investor who had a direct exposure to the Base Index because the volatility control mechanism is likely to have reduced the exposure to the Base Index to a percentage below 100%.
- Low volatility followed by negative performance of the Base Index: here an investor could lose
  more than an investor who had a direct exposure to the Base Index because the volatility
  control mechanism is likely to have increased the exposure to the Base Index to a percentage
  above 100%.

# Volatility is observed with a lag

The Index observes volatility 1 Index Calculation Day in arrears. This lag results in the exposure of the Index to the Base Index being adjusted 1 day in arrears. In the event there is a large movement in the price of the Base Index, the Index will not be recalibrated until 1 Index Calculation Day following, meaning that the Index could be exposed to a spike in volatility before any rebalancing due to the volatility control mechanism which may involve greater losses to investors.

# Measure of volatility

Measuring volatility as the volatility over the preceding 20 Index Calculation Days is not the only way to measure volatility. For the purposes of assessing volatility, different time periods could have been used. Moreover, it is possible to measure volatility on a future basis (known as "implied volatility"). Using any of: (a) implied volatility; (b) a combination of implied and realised volatility and/or; (c) a different time period(s) for measuring realised volatility could each produce a different (and potentially better) Index performance.

#### Price of Index Components may be influenced by asymmetries in demand and supply

The price of each Index Component may be influenced by external factors related to the demand and supply for exposure. For example, any purchases or disposals of the constituent assets underlying an Index Component may be contingent upon there being a market for such assets. In cases where there is not a ready market, or where there is only a limited market, the prices at which such assets may be purchased or sold may vary significantly (such variation between the prices at which the asset can be bought or sold is referred to as a "bid-offer spread"). If trying to dispose of an asset in a limited market, the effect of the bid-offer spread may be that the value realised on a disposal is markedly less than the previously reported value of the asset. This will have an impact on the value of the Index Component and, consequently, the Index Value. This is one example of external factors which may affect the supply and demand for the component security, but other factors may also exist which may negatively impact the performance of the Index.

#### **Total Return Index**

The term "**Total Return**" as used herein in respect of the Index shall refer solely to the reinvestment of net dividends and to the addition of a cash element to its performance, not to any element of capital protection.

#### Potential conflicts of interest

Credit Suisse expects to engage in trading activities related to constituents of the Index during the course of its normal business for both its proprietary accounts and/or in client related transactions. Such trading activities may involve the sale or purchase of index constituents, assets referencing the index constituents and/or derivative financial instruments relating to the constituents of the Index. These trading activities may present a conflict between the interests of investors with exposure to the Index and Credit Suisse's own interests. These trading activities, if they have an influence on the share prices or levels (as applicable) of the Index constituents may have an adverse effect on the performance of the Index.

Credit Suisse may hedge its obligations under any investments linked to the Index by buying or selling shares, bonds or derivative securities linked to the Index constituents. Although they are not expected to, any of these hedging activities may adversely affect the market price of such securities and, therefore, the performance of the Index. It is possible that Credit Suisse could receive substantial returns from these hedging activities while the performance of the Index declines.

Credit Suisse may also engage in trading shares, assets referencing the index constituents or derivatives securities in the Index constituents on a regular basis as part of our general broker-dealer and other businesses, for proprietary accounts, for other accounts under management or to facilitate transactions for customers. Any of these activities could adversely affect the market price of such securities and therefore the performance of the Index.

Credit Suisse may have and in the future may publish research reports with respect to the index constituents or asset classes which may express opinions or provide recommendations that either support or are inconsistent with investments into the Index. This research should not be viewed as a recommendation or endorsement of the Index in any way and investors must make their own independent investigation of the merits of this investment.

Credit Suisse acts as Index Calculation Agent and determines the Index value at any time, and Credit Suisse may also serve as the calculation agent for investment products linked to the Index. Credit Suisse will, among other things, decide valuation, final settlement amount and make any other relevant calculations or determinations in respect of the investment products.

To the extent that the prices of any Index constituents are unavailable and/or there is a breakdown in the infrastructure used by the Index Calculation Agent, Index values may, in accordance with the Index Rules, be calculated and published by Credit Suisse with reference to estimated or adjusted data.

With respect to any of the activities described above, except as required by applicable law and regulation (and unless caused by Credit Suisse's negligence, fraud or wilful default), Credit Suisse shall not be liable to any investor in products linked to the Index.

# **Fees**

Fees may be charged at the product level by the product manufacturer.

# **Currency Risk of the Index**

Investors may be exposed to currency risks because (i) an Index Component underlying investments may be denominated or priced in currencies other than the currency in which the Index is denominated, or (ii) the Index and/or such Index Component may be denominated in currencies other than the currency of the country in which the investor is resident. The Index levels may therefore increase or decrease as a result of fluctuations in those currencies.

#### Index performance is linked to three month deposit rates

The Funding Component of the notional portfolio of the Index is linked to the rate of interest that could be earned on a notional investment in three month deposits. An increase in this rate may increase the cost of funding and adversely impact the performance of the Index.

#### Risk associated with leverage

The Index may comprise of leveraged positions in the Index Components through the volatility control mechanism. While such strategies and techniques may increase the opportunity to achieve higher returns on the amounts invested, they will generally also increase the risk of loss.

#### **Fixed-income risks**

Where the investment objective of an Index Component is to track the performance of bonds, investors will be exposed to the performance of such bonds. The performance of bonds may be volatile and will be affected by, amongst other things, the time remaining to the maturity date, prevailing credit spreads, interest rates and the creditworthiness of the bond issuers, which in turn

may be affected by the economic, financial and political events in one or more jurisdictions.

A bond's performance is dependent upon interest rates. As interest rates rise, the present value of future payments decreases and the price of a bond trading in the marketplace subsequently decreases.

Furthermore, a bond's performance is depending on the ability of the bond issuer to pay interest and principal in a timely manner. Failure to pay or negative perception of the issuer's ability to make such payment will cause the price of that bond to decline.

As such factors may adversely affect the value of a bond which is referenced by the futures contract, or in which the Index Component invests, such factors will similarly adversely affect the price of the Index Component and therefore the performance of the Index.

# Risks associated with Funds (other than ETFs)

(a) Each fund is subject to its own unique risks and investors should review the offering documents of such fund including any description of risk factors - prior to making an investment decision regarding the Index

Investors in products linked to the Index should review the relevant fund offering documents, including the description of risk factors contained therein, prior to making an investment decision regarding the Index. However, neither the Index Sponsor nor any of its affiliates takes any responsibility for any such fund offering documents. Such fund offering documents will include more complete descriptions of the risks associated with investing into the relevant fund and the investments that the relevant fund intends to make. Any investment decision must be based solely on information in the relevant fund offering documents, this document, and such investigations as the investor deems necessary, and consultation with the investor's own legal, regulatory, tax, accounting and investment advisers in order to make an independent determination of the suitability and consequences of an investment in the fund.

(b) The performance of a fund is subject to many factors, including the fund strategies, underlying fund investments, the fund manager and other factors

A fund, and any underlying fund components in which it may invest, may utilise strategies such as short-selling, leverage, securities lending and borrowing, investment in sub-investment grade or non-readily realisable investments, uncovered options transactions, options and futures transactions and foreign exchange transactions and the use of concentrated portfolios, each of which could, in certain circumstances, magnify adverse market developments and losses. Funds, and any underlying fund components in which it may invest, may make investments in markets that are volatile and/or illiquid and it may be difficult or costly for positions therein to be opened or liquidated. No assurance can be given relating to the present or future performance of a fund and any underlying fund component in which it may invest. The performance of a fund and any underlying fund component in which it may invest is dependent on the performance of the fund manager in selecting underlying fund components and the management of the relevant component in respect of the underlying fund components. No assurance can be given that these persons will succeed in meeting the investment objectives of the fund, that any analytical model used thereby will prove to be correct or that any assessments of the short-term or long-term prospects, volatility and correlation of the types of investments in which a fund has or may invest will prove accurate.

The following is an overview of certain particular risks in relation to funds:

- Illiquidity of fund investments: The net asset value of a fund will fluctuate with, among other changes, changes in market rates of interest, general economic conditions, economic conditions in particular industries, the condition of financial markets and the performance of a fund's underlying investments. Investments by a fund in certain underlying assets will provide limited liquidity. Interests in a fund may be subject to certain transfer restrictions, including, without limitation, the requirement to obtain the fund manager's consent (which may be given or withheld in its discretion). Furthermore, the relevant fund offering documents typically provide that interests therein may be voluntarily redeemed only on specific dates of certain calendar months, quarters or years

and only if an investor has given the requisite number of days' prior notice to the fund manager. A fund may also reserve the right to suspend redemption rights or make in kind distributions in the event of market disruptions. A fund is likely to retain a portion of the redemption proceeds pending the completion of the annual audit of the financial statements of such fund, resulting in considerable delay before the full redemption proceeds are received. Such illiquidity may adversely affect the price and timing of any liquidation of a fund investment.

- Reliance on trading models: Some of the strategies and techniques used by the fund manager may employ a high degree of reliance on statistical trading models developed from historical analysis of the performance or correlations of certain companies, securities, industries, countries, or markets. There can be no assurance that historical performance that is used to determine such statistical trading models will be a good indication of future performance of a fund. If future performance or such correlations vary significantly from the assumptions in such statistical models, then the fund manager may not achieve its intended results or investment performance.
- Diversification: The number and diversity of investments held by a fund may be limited, even where such fund holds investments in other funds particularly where such underlying funds hold similar investments or follow similar investment strategies.
- Fund leverage: The fund manager of a fund may utilise leverage techniques, including the use of borrowed funds, repurchase agreements, swaps and options and other derivative transactions. While such strategies and techniques may increase the opportunity to achieve higher returns on the amounts invested, they will generally also increase the risk of loss.
- Trading limitations and frequency: Suspensions or limits for securities listed on a public exchange could render certain strategies followed by a fund difficult to complete or continue. The frequency of a fund's trading may result in portfolio turnover and brokerage commissions that are greater than other investment entities of similar size.
- Valuations: The valuation of a fund is generally controlled by the fund manager. Valuations are performed in accordance with the terms and conditions governing the fund. Such valuations may be based upon the unaudited financial records of the fund and any accounts pertaining thereto. Such valuations may be preliminary calculations of the net asset values of the fund and accounts. The fund may hold a significant number of investments which are illiquid or otherwise not actively traded and in respect of which reliable prices may be difficult to obtain. In consequence, the fund may vary certain quotations for such investments held by the fund in order to reflect its judgement as to the fair value thereof. Therefore, valuations may be subject to subsequent adjustments upward or downward. Uncertainties as to the valuation of the fund assets and/or accounts may have an adverse effect on the net asset value of the fund where such judgements regarding valuations prove to be incorrect.
- Dependence on the expertise of key persons: The performance of a fund will depend greatly on the experience of the investment professionals associated with the fund manager. The loss of one or more of such individuals could have a material adverse effect on the performance of a fund.

#### The Index is linked to the performance of a single Index Component

The Index gives investors a non-diversified exposure to the performance of a single Index Component, and risks detailed in the section "Risks associated with Funds (other than ETFs)" shall be read with particular attention as these risks are increased by the lack of diversification as to number of underlying assets.

#### **DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE**

This Prospectus should be read and construed in conjunction with the documents incorporated by reference into this Prospectus and each supplement (if any) to this Prospectus. The information included in the following documents, except the documents incorporated by reference therein and to the extent of the information to be incorporated by reference as provided below, is hereby incorporated by reference into this Prospectus and deemed to form part of this Prospectus:

- (a) the Base Prospectus;
- (b) the supplement to the Base Prospectus dated 31 August 2017 (the **"31 August 2017 Supplement"**);
- (c) the supplement to the Base Prospectus dated 26 September 2017 (the "26 September 2017 Supplement");
- (d) the supplement to the Base Prospectus dated 14 November 2017 (the **"14 November 2017** Supplement");
- (e) the supplement to the Base Prospectus dated 21 November 2017 (the **"21 November 2017** Supplement");
- (f) CSi's Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2015 (the "CSi 2015 Annual Report");
- (g) CSi's Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2016 (the "CSi 2016 Annual Report");
- (h) the Form 20-F of Credit Suisse Group AG (the "Group") and Credit Suisse AG ("CS") filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on 24 March 2017 (the "Form 20-F Dated 24 March 2017"), which contains the 2016 Annual Report of the Group (the "Group Annual Report 2016") attached as an exhibit thereto;
- (i) the Form 6-K of the Group and CS filed with the SEC on 24 March 2017 (the "Form 6-K Dated 24 March 2017"), which contains a media release containing proposals for the Annual General Meeting of the Group and information regarding a subsequent event related to full year 2016 earnings and an update of full year 2016 results;
- (j) the Form 6-K of the Group and CS filed with the SEC on 5 April 2017 (the "Form 6-K Dated 5 April 2017"), which contains information relating to Credit Suisse offices in various locations being contacted by regulatory and law enforcement authorities seeking records and information concerning investigations into Credit Suisse's historical private banking services on a cross-border basis;
- (k) the Form 6-K of CS filed with the SEC on 26 April 2017 (the "Form 6-K Dated 26 April 2017"), which contains the Credit Suisse Earnings Release 1Q17 attached as an exhibit thereto;
- (I) the Form 6-K of the Group and CS filed with the SEC on 28 April 2017 (the "Form 6-K Dated 28 April 2017"), which contains a media release regarding the outcome of the Annual General Meeting of Credit Suisse Group AG on 28 April 2017;
- (m) the Form 6-K of CS filed with the SEC on 4 May 2017 (the "Form 6-K Dated 4 May 2017"), which contains the Credit Suisse Financial Report 1Q17 attached as an exhibit thereto:
- (n) the Form 6-K of CS filed with the SEC on 28 July 2017 (the "Form 6-K Dated 28 July 2017"), which contains as exhibits, among other things, (i) the Credit Suisse Financial Report 2Q17, (ii) the Credit Suisse (Bank) Financial Statements 6M17, within which there is unaudited information for CS and its consolidated subsidiaries for the six months ended 30 June 2017, and (iii) additional 2017 six month financial information for Credit Suisse Group AG and CS;
- (o) the 2017 Interim Report of CSi and its consolidated subsidiaries (the "2017 CSi Interim Report"), which contains the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements of CSi and its consolidated subsidiaries as at and for the six months ended 30 June 2017, and a review report of CSi's auditors;

- (p) the Form 6-K of the Group and CS filed with the SEC on 2 November 2017 (the "Form 6-K Dated 2 November 2017"), which contains as an exhibit the Credit Suisse Financial Report 3Q17:
- (q) the Form 6-K of the Group and CS filed with the SEC on 13 November 2017 (the "Form 6-K Dated 13 November 2017"), which contains a media release regarding Credit Suisse's settlement with the New York State Department of Financial Services related to the conduct of Credit Suisse's Foreign Exchange Rates business; and
- (r) the Form 6-K of the Group and CS filed with the SEC on 30 November 2017 (the "Form 6-K Dated 30 November 2017") which contains a media release relating to its Investor Day Presentation.

Any statement contained in the documents listed above shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for the purpose of this Prospectus to the extent that a statement contained herein modifies or supersedes such earlier statement (whether expressly, by implication or otherwise). Any statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Prospectus.

Any non-incorporated parts of a document referred to herein are either deemed not relevant for the investor or are otherwise covered elsewhere in this Prospectus.

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Copies of this Prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference are available on the website of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange (www.bourse.lu).

Investors who have not previously reviewed the information contained in the Base Prospectus (and the supplements to the Base Prospectus) should do so in connection with their evaluation of the Securities.

Terms defined in the General Conditions, the Product Conditions or the Asset Terms shall have the same meaning herein unless otherwise defined in the Specific Terms (as defined below).

In the event of any inconsistency between (a) the Specific Terms and (b) the General Conditions, the Product Conditions or the Asset Terms, the Specific Terms will prevail.

## SPECIFIC TERMS

The Securities will be subject to the General Conditions, the Product Conditions and the Asset Terms (in each case, as defined and incorporated by reference in "Documents Incorporated by Reference" above and as set out in the Base Prospectus (as incorporated by reference herein)), and also to the following provisions (the "Specific Terms"). Each reference in such General Conditions, Product Conditions and Asset Terms to the "Final Terms" shall be deemed to be deleted and replaced by the "Specific Terms". For the avoidance of doubt, the sixth paragraph of the General Conditions (on page 224 of the Base Prospectus) applies with regard to the order of priority of the above terms.

# **PART A - CONTRACTUAL TERMS**

1. Series Number: SPCSI2017-817

Tranche Number: Not Applicable

3. Applicable General Terms and General Certificate Conditions

Conditions:

4. Type of Security: Not Applicable

5. Settlement Currency: Swedish Krona ("**SEK**")

6. Institutional: Not Applicable

# PROVISIONS RELATING TO NOTES Applicable AND CERTIFICATES

7. Number of Securities:

(i) Series: 600 Securities

(ii) Tranche: Not Applicable

8. Issue Price: SEK 8,000 per Security

9. Nominal Amount: SEK 100,000

10. Minimum Transferable Number of Not Applicable

Securities:

11. Transferable Number of Securities: One Security

12. Minimum Trading Lot: Not Applicable

13. Issue Date: 27 December 2017

14. Maturity Date: The later of (i) 28 December 2022 (the "Scheduled"

Maturity Date"), and (ii) 3 Currency Business Days following the Hedging Entity's receipt in full of the cash proceeds from the unwinding of its hedging arrangements in respect of the Securities, to the extent that any delay in the receipt of such cash proceeds is not caused by the Hedging Entity and/or is outside of

the control of the Hedging Entity.

Where "Hedging Entity" means each of Credit Suisse International, Credit Suisse AG, London Branch or any affiliate of Credit Suisse International that holds or will hold financial instruments and investments as part of its hedging activities in direct or indirect connection with

the Securities

15. Coupon Basis: Not Applicable

16. Redemption/Payment Basis: Equity Index-linked

17. Put/Call Options: Not Applicable

PROVISIONS RELATING TO Not Applicable

**WARRANTS** 

(Paragraphs 18 to 28 have been intentionally deleted)

#### PROVISIONS RELATING TO COUPON AMOUNTS

- 29. Fixed Rate Provisions (General Not Applicable Certificate Condition 4):
- 30. Floating Rate Provisions (General Not Applicable Certificate Condition 4):
- 31. Premium Provisions (General Not Applicable Certificate Condition 4):
- Other Coupon Provisions (Product Not Applicable Condition 2):

## PROVISIONS RELATING TO REDEMPTION/SETTLEMENT

33. Redemption Amount (Production 3):

(Product Single Factor Call, provided that the formula specified under Product Condition 3(a)(ii)(B) shall be deleted and replaced with the following (and the Product Conditions shall be deemed to be amended accordingly):

"NA x PP x Performance"

Where:

"Barrier Level" means each of (a) 100 per cent. and (b) 100 per cent. *plus* each multiple of 5 per cent. thereafter (i.e. 105 per cent., 110 per cent., 115 per cent. and so on) (expressed as a decimal);

"Highest Lock" means the highest Locked Level observed in respect of the Lock-in Observation Dates;

"Lock-in Observation Date(s)" means each Scheduled Trading Day during the period commencing on, and including, the Initial Setting Date and ending on, and including, the Final Fixing Date;

"Locked Level" means, in respect of a Lock-in Observation Date and the Underlying Asset, the highest Barrier Level that is less than the Observation Level of such Underlying Asset in respect of such Lock-in Observation Date, provided that if the Observation Level of such Underlying Asset in respect of a Lock-in Observation Date is at or lower than the lowest Barrier Level then the Locked Level in respect of such Lock-in Observation Date shall be deemed to be equal to the lowest Barrier Level;

"Observation Level" means, in respect of a Lock-in Observation Date and the Underlying Asset, an amount equal to the *quotient* of (a) the Level (with regard to the

Valuation Time) of the Underlying Asset on such Lock-in Observation Date divided by (b) its Strike Price; and

"Performance" means a percentage (expressed as a decimal) calculated by the Issuer in accordance with the following formula:

$$Max \left[0; \left(\frac{Final\ Price}{Strike\ Price} - Strike\right); (Highest\ Lock\ - Strike)\right]$$

Redemption (i)

Option

Not Applicable

Percentage:

(ii) Participation Percentage:

100 per cent.

Minimum Participation Percentage:

Not Applicable

(iii) Redemption Amount Cap: Not Applicable

(iv) Redemption

Percentage:

Floor

Not Applicable

(v) Redemption FX Adjustment: Not Applicable

(vi) Lock-in Call: Not Applicable

Not Applicable

Not Applicable

(vii) Single Lock-in Asian Call/Basket Lock-in Asian

Call:

(viii) Basket Lock-in Redemption/Single Factor

Lock-in Redemption:

(ix) Booster Call: Not Applicable

(x) Single Factor Knock-in Call: Not Applicable

Basket Knock-in Call: Not Applicable (xi)

(xii) Put Performance: Not Applicable

(xiii) Best Capped Basket: Not Applicable

(xiv) Top Rank Basket: Not Applicable

Knock-in Provisions: Not Applicable (xv)

(xvi) Tranched Knock-

out/Tranched Knock-out Call:

Not Applicable

(xvii) Strike: 100 per cent. (expressed as a decimal)

(xviii) Performance Cap: Not Applicable

(xix) Fee Calculation Factor

Deduction:

Not Applicable

(xx) Performance Fee Deduction Not Applicable

34. Initial Setting Date: 13 December 2017 35. Initial Averaging Dates: Not Applicable

36. Final Fixing Date: 13 December 2022

37. Averaging Dates: Not Applicable

38. Final Price: In respect of the Underlying Asset, the Level (with

regard to the Valuation Time) of such Underlying Asset

on the Final Fixing Date

(i) Final Price Cap: Not Applicable

(ii) Final Price Floor: Not Applicable

39. Redemption Final Price: Not Applicable

40. Strike Price: In respect of the Underlying Asset, the Level (with

regard to the Valuation Time) of such Underlying Asset

on the Initial Setting Date

(i) Strike Cap: Not Applicable

(ii) Strike Floor: Not Applicable

41. Trigger Redemption (Product Not Applicable

Condition 3(c)):

42. Details relating to Instalment Not Applicable

Securities:

43. Physical Settlement Provisions Not Applicable

(Product Condition 4):

44. Put Option: Not Applicable

45. Call Option: Not Applicable

46. Unscheduled Termination Amount:

(i) Unscheduled Termination at Not Applicable

Par:

(ii) Minimum Payment Amount: Not Applicable

(iii) Deduction for Hedge Costs: Not Applicable

47. Payment Disruption: Not Applicable

48. Interest and Currency Rate Not Applicable

Additional Disruption Event:

**UNDERLYING ASSET(S)** 

49. List of Underlying Asset(s): Applicable

i Underlying Asset<sub>i</sub> Weight<sub>i</sub> Composite<sub>i</sub>

1. Nordic Corporate Bond Fund Not Applicable Not Applicable

"Index")

50. Equity-linked Securities: Not Applicable

2% VolTarget Index (the

51. Equity Index-linked Securities: Applicable, as amended in accordance with the

Schedule hereto

Single Index, Index Basket or Multi-

Asset Basket:

Single Index

(i) Index: Nordic Corporate Bond Fund 2% VolTarget Index

> See also Annex A (Index Description), Annex B (Index Disclaimer) to these Specific Terms and the Appendix

(Index Rules)

(ii) Type of Index: **Proprietary Index** 

CSEANCBS < Index> (iii) Bloomberg code(s):

Information Source: www.bloomberg.com (iv)

Required Exchanges: Not Applicable (v)

(vi) Related Exchange: Not Applicable

(vii) Disruption Threshold: Not Applicable

Maximum Days of Disruption: Five Scheduled Trading Days (viii)

Adjustment basis for Index (ix)

Basket and Reference Dates:

Not Applicable

(x) Adjustment basis for Single

Index and Averaging

Not Applicable

Reference Dates:

(xi) Trade Date: 11 December 2017

(xii) Jurisdictional Event: Not Applicable

(xiii) Jurisdictional Not Applicable Event

Jurisdiction(s):

(xiv) Additional Disruption Events: Applicable, as amended in accordance with the

Schedule hereto

(a) Change in law: Change in Law Option 1 Applicable

(b) Foreign Ownership

Event:

Not Applicable

FX Disruption: Not Applicable (c)

(d) Hedging Disruption: **Applicable** 

(e) Increased Cost Not Applicable of

Hedging:

52. Commodity-linked Securities: Not Applicable

53. Commodity Index-linked Securities: Not Applicable

54. ETF-linked Securities: Not Applicable

55. **FX-linked Securities:** Not Applicable 56. FX Index-linked Securities: Not Applicable

57. Inflation Index-linked Securities: Not Applicable

58. Interest Rate Index-linked Not Applicable

Securities:

59. Cash Index-linked Securities: Not Applicable

60. Multi-Asset Basket-linked Securities: Not Applicable

61. Fund-linked Securities: Not Applicable

62. Valuation Time: As determined in accordance with Equity Index-linked

Securities Asset Term 1

## **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

63. (i) Form of Securities: Registered Securities

(ii) Global Security: Not Applicable

(iii) Held under the NSS: Not Applicable

(iv) Intended to be held in a manner which would allow

Eurosystem eligibility:

(v) The Issuer intends to permit Not Applicable indirect interests in the

Securities to be held through CREST Depository Interests to be issued by the CREST

Depository:

64. Financial Centre(s): London and, for the avoidance of doubt, Stockholm

No

65. Business Centre(s): Not Applicable

66. Listing and Admission to Trading: Application has been made for the Securities to be listed

on the Official List of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and to be admitted to trading on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange with effect from, at the earliest, the Issue Date, provided, however, no assurance 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 or any specific date

thereafter)

Application will also be made for the Securities to be listed on and admitted to trading on the MTF Nasdaq First North Stockholm (or such other market or segment of Nasdaq Stockholm AB on which the Securities will be eligible for listing and/or admission to trading) with effect on or around the Issue Date provided, however, no assurance 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 or any specific date

thereafter)

67. Security Codes and Ticker Symbols:

ISIN: GB00BYQKVG49

Common Code: 173427000

Swiss Security Number: Not Applicable

Telekurs Ticker: Not Applicable

WKN Number: Not Applicable

68. Clearing and Trading:

Clearing System(s) and any relevant Euroclear Sweden AB

identification number(s):

69. Delivery: Delivery against payment

70. Agents:

> Calculation Agent: Credit Suisse International

> > One Cabot Square London E14 4QJ

**Principal Certificate Agent:** Nordea Bank AB (publ)

> Smålandsgatan 24 SE-105 71 Stockholm

Sweden

Paying Agent(s): Nordea Bank AB (publ)

Smålandsgatan 24 SE-105 71 Stockholm

Sweden

Additional Agents: Applicable

Euroclear Sweden AB Registrar:

Box 191

SE-101 23 Stockholm

Sweden

Issuing Agent (Emissionsinstitut): Nordea Bank AB (publ)

Smålandsgatan 24 SE-105 71 Stockholm

Sweden

71. Dealer(s): Credit Suisse International

72. Specified newspaper for the Not Applicable

> purposes of notices to

Securityholders:

73. 871(m) Securities: The Issuer has determined that the Securities (without regard to any other transactions) should not be treated as transactions that are subject to U.S. withholding tax

under section 871(m)

74. Additional Provisions: Not Applicable

## **PART B - OTHER INFORMATION**

# Interests of Natural and Legal Persons involved in the Issue

So far as the Issuer is aware, no person involved in the issue of the Securities has an interest material to the issue, save for any fees payable to the distributor.

The Dealer will pay a fee to the distributor in connection with the issue of up to 2 per cent. of the Nominal Amount per Security upfront. The Issue Price and the terms of the Securities take into account such fee and may be more than the market value of the Securities on the Issue Date.

# Performance of the Underlying Asset and other information concerning the Underlying Asset

Information about the past and future performance and volatility of the Underlying Asset can be found at <a href="https://opus.credit-suisse.com/Default.aspx?LangCode=-1&InstCode=&MienCode=&MoldCode=&OpusCode=2&PageCode="(but the information appearing on such website does not form part of this Prospectus).">Prospectus).</a>

#### POST-ISSUANCE INFORMATION

The Issuer will not provide any post-issuance information with respect to the Underlying Asset, unless required to do so by applicable law or regulation.

# REASONS FOR THE ISSUE, ESTIMATED NET PROCEEDS AND TOTAL EXPENSES

(i) Reasons for the issue: Not Applicable; the net proceeds from the issue of the

Securities will be used by the Issuer for its general corporate purposes (including hedging arrangements).

(ii) Estimated net proceeds: Not Applicable.

(iii) Estimated total expenses: Not Applicable; there are no estimated expenses

charged to the investor by the Issuer.

#### SCHEDULE

## AMENDMENTS TO THE EQUITY INDEX-LINKED SECURITIES ASSET TERMS

The Equity Index-linked Securities Asset Terms ("Asset Terms") shall be amended as follows:

- 1. Asset Term 1 (*Definitions*) shall be amended by:
- (a) deleting the definition of "Additional Disruption Event" therein and replacing it with the following:
  - ""Additional Disruption Event" means a Change in Law, a Hedging Disruption, a Materially Increased Cost of Hedging and/or an Index Disruption Event.";
- (b) adding the following definition immediately after the definition of "Hedging Disruption":
  - ""Hypothetical Investor" means a hypothetical investor located in England investing in any investment or financial instrument for the purposes of hedging the Securities.";
- (c) adding the following definition immediately after the definition of "Index Disruption":
  - ""Index Disruption Event" has the meaning given to the term in the Index Rules.";
- (d) adding the following definition immediately after the definition of "Index Modification":
  - ""Index Rules" means the Index Specific Rules of the Nordic Corporate Bond Fund 2% VolTarget Index dated 18 September 2017 and the Master Index Rules of the Credit Suisse Volatility Target Indices dated 19 November 2014 (and as may be amended from time to time)"; and
- (e) adding the following definition immediate after the definition of "Market Disruption Event":
  - ""Materially Increased Cost of Hedging" means the Issuer is subject to materially increased (as compared with the circumstances existing as of the Trade Date) Index Component Costs in respect of its hedging arrangements to hedge the equity price risk of the Issuer entering into and performing its obligations with respect to the Securities (which are driven by the dynamic nature of the Index), but only to the extent that:
  - (a) such increased Index Component Costs are of substantially the same nature and substantially the same amount as the costs that would be incurred by a Hypothetical Investor acquiring, maintaining or unwinding a direct investment in such Component, and the deduction of such increased Index Component Costs in the calculation of the Index Level is expected to have a material adverse effect on the future performance of the Index, as determined by the Calculation Agent acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, taking into account:
    - (i) whether such increased Index Component Costs materially exceed the Index Component Costs embedded in the calculation of the Index as of the Trade Date; and
    - (ii) the expected size and frequency of any future rebalancing and reallocation of Components within the Index; and
  - (b) the effects of such increased Index Component Costs, if deducted in the calculation of the Index, would be material in the context of the prevailing risk return profile of the Index, as determined by the Calculation Agent acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, taking into account the historical rebalancing and allocation of the Index to the relevant Component and the historical performance and volatility of the Index.

Where "Index Component Costs" means costs (per unit notional exposure to a Component) incurred by the Issuer which are incidental and necessary to (A) acquire, establish, re-establish, substitute, maintain, unwind or dispose of any position in a Component the Issuer deems necessary in order to hedge the equity price risk of the Issuer entering into and performing its

obligations with respect to the Securities, or (B) realise, recover or remit the proceeds of any such position in a Component. These costs include but are not limited to movements in bid and offer prices of a Component, applicable costs incurred from a third party charged in addition to bid and offer prices (such as exchange or brokerage fees or commissions, or other fees upon transacting in a Component) and other costs having a similar effect on the Issuer, provided that any costs that are incurred solely due to the deterioration of the creditworthiness of the Issuer and/or its affiliates shall not constitute an Index Component Cost."

#### **ANNEX A**

#### INDEX DESCRIPTION

Defined terms used but not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Index Rules relating to the Index.

#### INDEX DESCRIPTION

The Nordic Corporate Bond Fund 2% VolTarget Index (the "Index") is a rules-based index that measures the rate of return of a Credit Suisse proprietary strategy (the "Strategy") which aims to provide exposure to a fixed income mutual fund investing in Nordic corporate bonds. The Strategy offers:

- A notional exposure to a single mutual fund. For more details see section "Assets Included in the Index".
- A volatility control mechanism that adjusts the exposure between the fund and a notional cash deposit. For more detail see section "Volatility Control Methodology".

The Index is constructed on "notional" investments and described as a "synthetic portfolio" as there is no actual asset held in respect of the Index. The Index simply reflects a trading strategy, calculated using the value of assumed investments in each of the relevant components.

The Index measures the rate of return of a hypothetical portfolio consisting of long positions including leverage in the Index Component, as specified in "*Table 1: Index Component*". Long positions refer to the practice of buying an asset with the intention of subsequently selling it at a later stage.

The Index can include "leveraged" exposure to the asset classes. Leverage refers to the practice of using financial derivatives or debt to amplify returns, by allocating more than 100% of the Index to the asset classes.

The Index is constructed as an "Excess Return" mechanism. Excess return means that the level of the index is determined net of the cost of funding/borrowing a hypothetical investor would incur investing in the Index.

The Index implements a mechanism of risk control based on its "volatility". Volatility is a measure of the variation of the level/price of an asset over time, as further described in section "Volatility Control Methodology".

# Main roles

Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited is the sponsor of the Index (the "Index Sponsor"). The Index Sponsor makes various determinations in accordance with the Index Rules. Representatives of the Index Sponsor comprise the Index Committee.

Credit Suisse International, acting through its Risk Department is the calculation agent for the Index (the "Index Calculation Agent"). The Risk Department is segregated from the sales, trading, structuring and other front office businesses of Credit Suisse International. The Index Calculation Agent will, in accordance with the Index Rules, calculate and publish the value of the Index (the "Index Value") in respect of each day on which the Index is scheduled to be published (each an "Index Calculation Day").

All calculations, determinations and exercises of discretion made by the Index Sponsor or the Index Calculation Agent will be made in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner and (where there is a corresponding applicable regulatory obligation) shall take into account whether fair treatment is achieved by any such calculation, determination and exercise of discretion in accordance with its applicable regulatory obligations.

# Assets Included in the Index

The Index measures the performance of a notional investment in a synthetic portfolio consisting of

one asset (the "Index Component") as specified in "Table 1: Index Component", and an amount held in cash which does not generate any interest (the "Cash Component").

**Table 1: Index Component** 

Index Component	Bloomberg Ticker	Currency	Asset Type	Return Type	Value
Carnegie Corporate Bond Fund	HAGSHYF LX	SEK	Mutual Fund	Total Return	Net Asset Value

**Table 2: Index Component Weight and Costs** 

Index Component	Weight	Holding Fee	Fee-In	Fee-Out
Carnegie Corporate Bond Fund	100.0%	0%	0%	0%

# **Index Methodology**

#### Index

The Index measures the rate of return of a hypothetical portfolio consisting of:

- A notional investment to the Base Index, as defined in section "Base Index";
- A notional investment in the Cash Component in respect of any amounts not invested in the Base Index.

The allocation mechanism between the Base Index and the Cash Component is further described in Section "Volatility Control Methodology".

The Index is denominated in SEK (the "Base Currency") and is calculated net of:

- A 0.00% per annum Index Fee.

The Index does not incorporate any transaction costs. Transaction costs are defined as the "Fee-In" and the "Fee-Out" as specified in "Table 2: Index Component Weight and Costs".

The Index is constructed as an Excess Return Index.

# Base Index

The Base Index measures the excess return rate of return of a notional investment in a synthetic portfolio consisting of:

- One fund, and
- An amount held in the Cash Component.

The effective weight of the Index Component is 100%. Such weight determines the notional exposure of the Base Index to the Index Component.

The Base Index is denominated in SEK (the "Base Currency").

The Index does not incorporate any access costs or transaction costs.

Access costs are defined as the access cost for the Index Component, specified in "Table 2: Index Component Weight and Costs", under the column entitled "Holding Fee".

The Base Index performance will take into account synthetic reinvestment of dividends for mutual funds net of 0.00% of withholding tax as specified in the Index Rules.

The Base Index is constructed as an Excess Return asset. With respect to any Index Component defined as Total Return, as specified in "Table 1: Index Component", under the column entitled "Return Type", the relevant funding cost, being the aggregate of the Funding Rate and the Funding Spread in the relevant currency, as specified in "Table 3: Funding Rate", under the columns entitled "Funding Rate" and "Funding Spread", (the "Funding Component") will be deducted from the Index Component return to derive the return of such Index Component.

**Table 3: Funding Rate** 

Currency	Funding Rate	Funding Basis	Funding Spread
SEK	The rate for deposits of three months in SEK as displayed on Reuters page "STIBOR="	360	0.00%

# Volatility Control Methodology

The Index targets a volatility level below/at or around 2.0% (the "Volatility Control") by allocating its exposure to the Base Index, based on the realised volatility (the "Realised Volatility") of the Base Index (calculated as the Realised Volatility over the preceding 20 Index Calculation Days). The target volatility controlled weight assigned to the Base Index (the "Target Volatility Control Weight") on any Index Calculation Day is equal to the ratio of the Volatility Control to the Realised Volatility of the Base Index calculated in respect of the Index Calculation Day falling 1 Index Calculation Days prior to such day. Realised volatility is calculated formulaically with reference to the magnitude of daily movements (in either direction) for the Base Index. For example, the Base Index would have a higher realised volatility if its level moved by 2% each day than if its level only moved by 0.50% each day. The weight assigned to the Base Index (the "Volatility Control Weight") on any Index Calculation Day is equal to either:

- The Target Volatility Control Weight, if the Target Volatility Control Weight is different from the previous Index Calculation Day's Volatility Control Weight by more than 0%, capped at 200%; or
- The Volatility Control Weight applied in respect of the previous Index Calculation Day.

#### **ANNEX B**

#### **INDEX DISCLAIMER**

This disclaimer extends to Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited ("Credit Suisse"), its affiliates or its designate in any of its capacities.

The Index Rules and the Index Description are published by Credit Suisse. Credit Suisse is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority ("**PRA**") and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority ("**FCA**") and the PRA. Notwithstanding that Credit Suisse is so regulated, the rules of neither the FCA nor the PRA are incorporated into this document.

The Index Sponsor and the Index Calculation Agent are part of the same group. Credit Suisse or its affiliates may also offer securities or other financial products ("Investment Products") the return of which is linked to the performance of the Index. Credit Suisse may, therefore, in each of its capacities face a conflict in its obligations carrying out such role with investors in the Investment Products.

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#### **CREDIT SUISSE INTERNATIONAL**

# History, Development and Organisational Structure

Credit Suisse International ("CSi") was incorporated in England and Wales under the Companies Act 1985, on 9 May 1990, with registered no. 2500199 and operates under English law. CSi was reregistered as an unlimited company under the name "Credit Suisse Financial Products" on 6 July 1990, and was renamed "Credit Suisse First Boston International" on 27 March 2000 and "Credit Suisse International" on 16 January 2006.

CSi, a bank domiciled in England established under English law, is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Credit Suisse Group AG. CSi's registered head office is in London and is located at One Cabot Square, London E14 4QJ and its telephone number is +44 (0)20 7888 8888.

CSi is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority ("PRA") and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA") and the PRA.

CSi is an unlimited liability company and, as such, its shareholders have a joint, several and unlimited obligation to meet any insufficiency in the assets of CSi in the event of its liquidation. The joint, several and unlimited liability of the shareholders of CSi to meet any insufficiency in the assets of CSi will only apply upon liquidation of CSi. Therefore, prior to any liquidation of CSi, the creditors may only have the benefit of recourse to the assets of CSi and not to those of its shareholders.

CSi and its consolidated subsidiaries have direct access to funding sources of Credit Suisse AG. After making enquiries of Credit Suisse AG, the Directors of CSi have received a confirmation that Credit Suisse AG will ensure that CSi maintains a sound financial position and is able to meet its debt obligations for the foreseeable future.

# **Principal Activities and Principal Markets**

CSi commenced business on 16 July 1990. Its principal business is banking, including the trading of derivative products linked to interest rates, foreign exchange, equities, commodities and credit. The primary objective of CSi is to provide comprehensive treasury and risk management derivative product services. CSi has established a significant presence in global derivative markets through offering a full range of derivative products and continues to develop new products in response to the needs of its customers and changes in underlying markets. The business is managed as a part of the Global Markets and Investment Banking and Capital Markets Divisions of Credit Suisse AG. For more information on CSi's principal markets and activities, see sub-sections "Profile" on page 6 and "Principal products/Principal product areas" on page 7 of the CSi 2016 Annual Report.

The liquidity and capital requirements of CSi and its consolidated subsidiaries are managed as an integral part of the wider framework of Credit Suisse Group AG and its consolidated subsidiaries. This includes the local regulatory liquidity and capital requirements in the UK.

### **Organisational Structure**

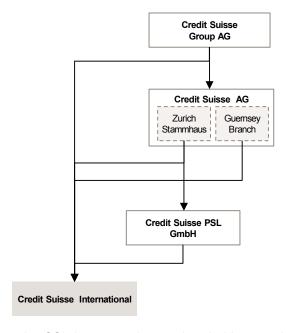
The subsidiaries of CSi which are consolidated in the financial statements contained in the CSi 2016 Annual Report are listed under sub-section "Composition of the CSi Group" on pages 82 to 84 of the CSi 2016 Annual Report. For information on CSi's relationship to Credit Suisse Group AG, see page 6 of the CSi 2016 Annual Report.

# **Major Shareholders**

The shareholders of CSi are:

- (a) Credit Suisse Group AG, whose head office is at Paradeplatz 8, CH-8001 Zürich, Switzerland, and who is the ultimate parent of the consolidated Credit Suisse Group which includes Credit Suisse AG;
- (b) Credit Suisse AG, a Swiss bank and a leading global bank acting through its registered head office at Paradeplatz 8, CH-8001 Zürich, Switzerland (Zurich Stammhaus) which provides its clients with private banking, investment banking and asset management services worldwide;

- (c) Credit Suisse AG, Guernsey Branch, whose place of business is at Helvetia Court, Les Echelons, South Esplanade, St Peter Port GY1 3ZQ, Guernsey was established as a Branch of Credit Suisse AG on 1 April 1986 and whose principal activities are deposit taking, bond issuing and lending the funds received within the Credit Suisse Group; and
- (d) Credit Suisse PSL GmbH, whose registered office is c/o Credit Suisse AG, Paradeplatz 8, 8001 Zürich, Switzerland and was incorporated in Zürich, Switzerland on 29 September 2009 and whose principal activity is to finance, purchase, hold, manage and sell financial participations in other Credit Suisse Group companies.



There is trading of shares in CSi between these shareholders and therefore the respective shareholdings will change from time to time, although CSi will remain an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Credit Suisse Group AG.

# Names and Addresses of Directors and Executives

The business address of the members of the Board of Directors is One Cabot Square, London E14 4QJ.

The current members of the Board of Directors, their role within CSi and their principal activities outside CSi, if any, are as follows:

Board Member	External Activities
Noreen Doyle (Non-Executive Chair)	<ul> <li>Independent member and Chair of the Board of Directors, the Nomination and the Advisory Remuneration Committee, independent member of the Risk Committee of CSi and Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited.</li> <li>Ms. Doyle is also:</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Chair of the Board of the BBA; and</li> <li>Chair of the Board of Directors, Chair of the Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee and of the Executive-Finance Committee and</li> </ul>

		Member of the Audit Committee of Newmont Mining Corporation.
Paul Ingram	•	Managing Director in the CRO division of CSi.
	•	Mr. Ingram is also Chief Risk Officer of CSi and Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Ltd.
	•	Member of the Board of Directors of Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited
Christopher Horne	•	Managing Director in the CFO division of CSi.
	•	Mr. Horne is also Deputy CEO of CSi and Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Ltd.
	•	Member of the Board of Directors of Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited, Credit Suisse Investment Holdings (UK) and Credit Suisse Investments (UK).
Alison Halsey (Non-Executive)	•	Independent member of the Board of Directors, Chair of the Audit and Conflicts Committee and Member of the Risk and the Nomination Committee of CSi and Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited.
	•	Ms. Halsey is also Non-executive Director and Member of the Risk, Compliance and Nominations Committees and Chair of the Audit Committee of Aon UK Limited.
David Mathers (CEO)	•	Managing Director in the CFO division of Credit Suisse AG.
	•	Mr. Mathers is also CEO of CSi and Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Ltd and CFO of Credit Suisse AG.
	•	Member of the Board of Directors of Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited.
Robert Endersby (Non-Executive)	•	Independent member of the Board of Directors, Chair of the Risk Committee and Member of the Audit, the Advisory Remuneration and the Conflicts Committee of CSi and Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited.
	•	Mr. Endersby is also Non-executive Director, Chair of Risk Committee, Member of Audit Committee, Remuneration Committee and

		Disclosure Committee of Tesco Personal
		Finance Group Limited and Tesco Personal
		Finance Plc.
Caroline Waddington	•	Managing Director in the CFO division of CSi.
	•	Ms. Waddington is also Regional CFO for Credit Suisse UK Regulated Entities including CSi and Chair of the UK Pension Committee.
	•	Member of the Board of Directors of Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited and a Member of the Board of Directors of Credit Suisse Investment Holdings (UK) and Credit Suisse Investments (UK).
	•	Ms. Waddington is a member of the Board of Directors of:
		o NameCo (No.357) Limited;
	,	o Roffey Park Institute Limited; and
	,	<ul> <li>Brook House (Clapham Common)</li> <li>Management Company Limited.</li> </ul>
John Devine (Non-Executive)	•	Independent member of the Board of Directors, the Audit, the Nomination and the Conflicts Committee of the Issuer and Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited.
	•	Mr. Devine is also:
		<ul> <li>Non-Executive Director, Chair of Audit Committee, Member of Risk Committee and Remuneration Committee of Standard Life Aberdeen PLC; and</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Non-Executive Director, Chair of Audit Committee, Member of Risk Committee and Nominations Committee of Citco Custody (UK) Ltd and Citco Custody Holding Ltd Malta.</li> </ul>
Jonathan Moore	•	Managing Director in the Fixed Income Department within the Investment Banking Division of the Issuer.
	•	Mr Moore is also:
		<ul> <li>Co-Head of Global Credit Products in EMEA and Head of EMEA Credit Trading</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>and Global Derivatives; and</li> <li>Member of the Board of Directors of Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited.</li> </ul>
Michael Dilorio	<ul> <li>Managing Director in the Global Markets division of the Issuer.</li> <li>Mr Dilorio is also:</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Head of EMEA Equities which includes Cash Equities, Syndicate, Convertibles, Prime Services and Equity Derivatives; and</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Member of the Board of Directors of Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited."</li> </ul>

Pages 1 to 5 and 22 to 23 of the CSi 2016 Annual Report provide further information on CSi's Board of Directors.

## **Directors' Conflicts of Interest**

There are no potential conflicts of interest of the members of the Board of Directors between their duties to CSi and their private interests and/or other duties. Potential conflicts of interest of members of the Board of Directors due to roles held with Credit Suisse Group AG / Credit Suisse AG are managed by a Board Conflicts Committee and Conflicts Management Framework.

# **Legal and Arbitration Proceedings**

During the period of 12 months ending on the date of this Prospectus there have been no governmental, legal or arbitration proceedings which may have, or have had in the past, significant effects on the financial position or profitability of CSi and its consolidated subsidiaries, and CSi is not aware of any such proceedings being either pending or threatened, except as disclosed in the CSi 2016 Annual Report (under the heading Contingent Liabilities and Other Commitments on pages 81 to 82) and below:

- 1. CSi is defending a EUR 170 million clawback claim brought by the Winding up Committee ("WUC") of Kaupthing Bank hf in the District Court of Reykjavik, Iceland. The claim relates to the issuance of ten credit-linked notes issued in 2008, which the WUC is seeking to challenge under various provisions of Icelandic insolvency law in order to claw back funds paid to CSi. The WUC is also claiming significant penalty interest under Icelandic law. CSi argues that the purchase of the credit linked notes is governed by English law, which does not provide a legal basis for such clawback actions. In October 2014, the Court of the European Free Trade Association States issued a non-binding decision supporting CSi's position that the governing law of the transactions is relevant. Separately, CSi is pursuing a claim for USD 226 million in the District Court of Reykjavik, Iceland against Kaupthing Bank hf's WUC in order to enforce certain security rights arising under a 2007 structured trade. CSi acquired the security rights following Kaupthing Bank hf's insolvency in 2008. In December 2016 CSi and Kaupthing ehf (formerly Kaupthing Bank hf) entered into a confidential settlement agreement bringing an end to these proceedings.
- 2. Rosserlane and Swinbrook -v- Credit Suisse International. CSi is the defendant in English court litigation brought by Rosserlane Consultants Limited and Swinbrook Developments Limited (the "claimants"). The litigation relates to the forced sale by CSi in 2008 of Caspian Energy Group LP ("CEG"), the vehicle through which the claimants held a 51 per cent. stake in the Kyurovdag oil and gas field in Azerbaijan. CEG was sold for USD 245 million following

two unsuccessful M&A processes. The claimants allege that CEG should have been sold for at least USD 700 million. CSi is vigorously defending the claims, which it believes are without merit. The trial commenced in October 2014 and on 20 February 2015 the case was dismissed and judgment given in favour of CSi. The claimants appealed the judgment and in January 2017 the Court of Appeal ruled in CSi's favour.

- 3. CSi is the defendant in German court litigation brought by Stadtwerke Munchen GmbH, a German water utility company (the "claimant"). The litigation relates to a series of interest rate swaps entered into between 2008 and 2012. The claimant alleges breach of an advisory duty to provide both investor- and investment-specific advice, including in particular a duty to disclose the initial mark-to-market value of the trades at inception. The claimant seeks damages of EUR 58 million, repayment of EUR 103 million of collateral held by CSi and its consolidated subsidiaries and release from all future obligations under the trades. Witness hearings took place in 2017 with further hearings scheduled for H1 2018.
- 4. Credit Suisse is responding to requests from regulatory and enforcement authorities related to Credit Suisse's arrangement of loan financing to Mozambique state enterprises, Proindicus S.A. and Empresa Mocambiacana de Atum S.A. (EMATUM), a distribution to private investors of loan participation notes (LPN) related to the EMATUM financing in September 2013, and Credit Suisse's subsequent role in arranging the exchange of those LPNs for Eurobonds issued by the Republic of Mozambique. Credit Suisse has been cooperating with the authorities on this matter.

Provision for litigation is disclosed in Note 21 to the interim consolidated financial statements on pages 33 to 34 of the 2017 CSi Interim Report.

#### **Auditor**

CSi's auditor is KPMG LLP, 15 Canada Square, London E14 5GL. KPMG LLP is registered to carry out audit work by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Further information on CSi's auditor may be found on pages 23 to 25 of the CSi 2016 Annual Report.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

- 1. **Approval for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive**: This Prospectus has been approved by the *Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier* (the "CSSF"), as competent authority under the Prospectus Directive. The CSSF only approves this Prospectus as meeting the requirements imposed under Luxembourg and EU law pursuant to the Prospectus Directive. By approving the Prospectus, the CSSF gives no undertaking as to the economic and financial soundness of the Securities and quality or solvency of the Issuer in line with the provisions of article 7(7) of the Luxembourg Act dated 10 July 2005 on prospectuses for securities as amended by the law of 3 July 2012, the law of 21 December 2012 and the law of 10 May 2016 (the "Luxembourg Prospectus Law").
- 2. **Responsibility Statement:** The Issuer accepts responsibility for the information contained in this Prospectus. To the best of the knowledge of the Issuer, having taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case, the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.
- 3. **No consent to use the Prospectus**: The Issuer does not consent to the use of the Prospectus by any person in connection with the making of an offer of the Securities to the public.
- 4. Listing and admission to trading: Application has been made for the Securities to be listed on the Official List of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and to be admitted to trading on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange with effect from, at the earliest, the Issue Date. Application will also be made for the Securities to be listed on and admitted to trading on the MTF Nasdaq First North Stockholm (or such other market or segment of Nasdaq Stockholm AB on which the Securities will be eligible for listing and/or admission to trading) with effect on or around the Issue Date. There can be no assurance that any such listing will be obtained, or if obtained, will be maintained. The regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange is a regulated market for the purposes of Directive 2004/39/EC on Markets in Financial Instruments (as amended, varied or replaced from time to time including through the implementation of Directive 2014/65/EU). This Prospectus will constitute a prospectus for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive.
- 5. The Issuer has obtained all necessary consents, approvals and authorisations in connection with the issue of the Securities. The issue of the Securities will be in accordance with the Organizational Guidelines and Regulations of Credit Suisse Group AG and Credit Suisse AG dated 9 February 2017 and the resolution of the Board of Directors of the Issuer dated 13 March 2006.
- 6. There has been no material adverse change in the prospects of the Issuer and its consolidated subsidiaries since 31 December 2016.

There has been no significant change in the financial position of the Issuer and its consolidated subsidiaries since 30 June 2017.

See pages 10 and 123 to 135 of the CSi 2016 Annual Report and the section entitled "Risk Factors" of the Base Prospectus (as supplemented by the 31 August 2017 Supplement) that together disclose the principal risks to the Issuer.

Please see "Operating environment" on pages 4 to 6 (pages 15 to 17 of the PDF) of the exhibit (Credit Suisse Financial Report 3Q) to the Form 6-K Dated 2 November 2017, "Economic Environment" on page 7 to 8 of the 2017 CSi Interim Report, "Operating environment" on pages 4 to 6 (pages 20 to 22 of the PDF) of the fifth exhibit (Credit Suisse Financial Report 2Q17) to the Form 6-K Dated 28 July 2017, "Operating environment" on pages 4 to 6 (pages 10 to 12 of the PDF) of the exhibit (Credit Suisse Financial Report 1Q17) to the Form 6-K Dated 4 May 2017, "Operating Environment" on pages 52 to 54 (pages 76 to 78 of the PDF) of the Group Annual Report 2016 and "Economic Environment" on pages 7 and 8 of the CSi 2016 Annual Report for information relating to the economic environment that may affect the future results of operations or financial condition of Credit Suisse Group AG and its consolidated subsidiaries, including the Issuer.

7. The Securities will be offered to any category of investors (including retail and wholesale),

- provided that such offer does not constitute an offer to the public of the Securities.
- 8. Copies of the agency agreement and deeds of covenant of the Programme will be available for inspection during normal business hours on any business day (except Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays) at the offices of the Paying Agents. In addition, copies of the following will be available free of charge during normal business hours on any business day (except Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays) at the offices of the Paying Agents and at the registered office of the Issuer, if applicable:
  - (a) the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Issuer;
  - (b) the audited accounts and unaudited interim accounts of the Issuer for the last two years;
  - (c) a copy of this Prospectus together with any supplement to this Prospectus; and
  - (d) a copy of any document incorporated by reference in this Prospectus.
- 9. The Securities may be accepted for clearance through Euroclear Sweden AB (Box 191, SE-101 23 Stockholm, Sweden) (which is the entity in charge of keeping the relevant records).
- 10. No content of any website, cited or referred to in this Prospectus, shall be deemed to form part of, or be incorporated by reference into, this Prospectus.

# **APPENDIX – INDEX RULES**

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# **Credit Suisse Volatility Target Indices**

# Index Specific Rules – Nordic Corporate Bond Fund 2% VolTarget Index

Dated as of 18 September 2017

# **Index Sponsor**

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### 1. Introduction

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These Index Specific Rules incorporate by reference the Master Index Rules of the Credit Suisse Volatility Target Indices dated 19 November 2014 (the "Master Index Rules"), as amended and supplemented from time to time, and together constitutes the rules of the volatility target Index specified below.

In the event of any inconsistency between the Master Index Rules and the Index Specific Rules, the Index Specific Rules will prevail.

Words in italics do not form any part of the Index Specific Rules.

#### 1.1. Parties

Index Calculation Agent: Credit Suisse International (acting through its Risk Department)

Index Committee: A committee whose membership comprises representatives from

different functions within the Index Sponsor and which has responsibility for overseeing the role of the Index Sponsor and Index

Calculation Agent under the Index Rules

#### 1.2. General Index Terms

Index Nordic Corporate Bond 2% VolTarget Index

Strategy A rules-based index that measures the rate of return of a Credit

Suisse proprietary strategy which aims to provide exposure to a fixed income mutual fund investing in Nordic corporate bonds. The

Strategy offers:

A notional exposure to a single mutual fund; and

A volatility control mechanism that adjusts the exposure

between the fund and a notional cash deposit

#### 1.3. Related Index Definitions

Base Currency SEK

Format Excess Return
FX Format Not Applicable

Index Calculation Day

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

Luxembourg and Stockholm

Index Fee 0.00%

Index Fee Basis 365

Index Launch Date 18 September 2017

Index Rebalancing Day Not Applicable

Index Reset Day Any day which is an Index Calculation Day

Index Start Date 23 August 2007, provided that if such day is not an Index

Calculation Day, the Index Start Date shall be the Index Calculation

Day immediately following such date

Net Asset Value Official net asset value per unit of the fund as calculated and

reported by its fund administrator

Volatility Control Format Target

**Table 1: Index Components Description** 

i	Index Component i (IC <sub>i</sub> )	Bloomberg Ticker	Currency	Asset Type	Return Type	Value
1	Carnegie Corporate Bond Fund	HAGSHYF LX	SEK	Mutual Fund	Total Return	Net Asset Value

**Table 2: Index Components Initial Weight and Costs** 

i	Initial Weight	Holding Fee	Fee-In	Fee-Out
1	100.0%	0%	0%	0%

# 2. Preliminary Calculations

## 2.1. Cash Component

## 2.1.1. Cash Component Definitions

Cash Calculation Day Not Applicable

Cash Rate Not Applicable

Cash Basis Not Applicable

Cash Spread Not Applicable

# 2.2. Funding Component

# 2.2.1. Funding Component Definitions

Funding Calculation Days Any Index Calculation Day

**Table 3: Funding Rate** 

Currency (CCY)	Funding Rate	Funding Basis	Funding Spread
SEK	The rate for deposits of three months in SEK as displayed on Reuters page "STIBOR="	360	0.00%

# 2.3. Adjusted Index Component Value Calculation

$WHT_{i,t}$	The rate of withholding tax applicable on Index Component i as of Index Calculation Day t, as determined by the Index Calculation
	Agent. Indicatively 0.00% as of the Index Launch Date;
FXC	Not Applicable

# 3. Calculation of the Index Value

# 3.1. Volatility Control Implementation

 $\hat{\sigma}$  The initialisation volatility and is equal to 2.0%;

Lag 1 Index Calculation Days;

Tenor 1 20; Tenor 2 20.

 $\sigma_{VC}$  The target volatility and is equal to 2.0%;

MaxAlloc The maximum allocation to the Base Index and is equal to 200%;

Band The reallocation band and is equal to 0%.

ConstantAlloc Not Applicable.

## 4. Publication of the Index Value

The Index Calculation Agent retains the right to delay publication of the Index if it reasonably believes there are circumstances that prevent the correct calculation of such Index.

The Index will be calculated by the Index Calculation Agent and published on Bloomberg. Calculation and publication of the Index in respect of each Index Calculation Day t is expected to take place on the Index Calculation Day following the relevant Index Calculation Day t.

In the event that the Index Value is published by the Index Calculation Agent and is amended after it is initially published, the amended Index Value will be considered the official fixing level and used in all applicable calculations. In the event that the published value of any Index Component, the Cash Rate, or any Funding Rate or other Index input that could impact a calculation of the level of the Index, is changed or amended in respect of a time period prior to the day on which the Index Value is being determined, the Index Calculation Agent shall be under no obligation to recalculate the Index Value or make any corresponding adjustment to the Index Value in order to take account of such change by altering the Index Value. The Index Calculation Agent, in consultation with the Index Committee, nonetheless will have the discretion to make appropriate adjustments in good faith and in order to achieve a commercially reasonable outcome and (where there is a corresponding applicable regulatory obligation) shall take into account whether fair treatment is achieved by any such adjustment in accordance with its applicable regulatory obligations, in any particular situation, in light of the facts and circumstances of such situation.

The Index may be replaced by a successor index.

#### 4.1. Index Precision

The Index Values will be rounded to 2 decimal places when published.

# 5. Amendment of the Index Rules; Index Component Substitution; Withdrawal of the Index

Additional Extraordinary Not Applicable Events

# 6. Suspension of the Index

# 6.1. Equity Index Disruption Events

Equity Index Not Applicable

# 6.2. Fund Disruption Events

Minimum Fund Assets 40% of its aggregate net asset value on the Index Launch Date

Minimum Fund Manager 40% of its aggregate net asset value on the Index Launch Date

**Assets** 

Minimum Trading Volume Not Applicable

# 7. Discretionary Determinations by Index Sponsor and Index Calculation Agent

Provided always that all calculations and determinations and exercises of discretion made by the Index Sponsor or the Index Calculation Agent under these Index Specific Rules and the Master Index Rules shall be made in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner and (where there is a corresponding applicable regulatory obligation) shall take into account whether fair treatment is achieved by any such calculation, determination and exercise of discretion in accordance with its applicable regulatory obligations.

# 8. Important Disclaimer Information

#### 8.1. Credit Suisse

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**Credit Suisse Volatility Target Indices** 

# **Master Index Rules**

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## 1. Introduction

The rules for each Credit Suisse Volatility Target Index are constituted under the Index Specific Rules for such index which incorporates by reference the Master Index Rules of the Credit Suisse Volatility Target Indices dated 19 November 2014 and should be read in conjunction therewith.

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## 1.1. What are the Credit Suisse Volatility Target Indices?

The Credit Suisse Volatility Target Indices are rules-based investible indices constructed by the Index Sponsor and governed by the Index Rules. The Index Rules for each Credit Suisse Volatility Target Index are comprised of the Master Index Rules and the Index Specific Rules for the relevant index. Each Credit Suisse Volatility Target Index has its own rules-based investment strategy as defined in the Index Specific Rules (the "**Strategy**") which is comprised of:

- An exposure to one or several underlying assets (each an "Index Component" and together the "Index Components") as defined in the Index Specific Rules; and
- A volatility control mechanism that adjusts the exposure based on realised volatility of the Base Index as defined in these Master Index Rules and to the extent this is applicable pursuant to the Index Specific Rules.

#### 1.2. Parties

Index Sponsor: Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited
Index Calculation Agent: As defined in the Index Specific Rules
Index Committee: As defined in the Index Specific Rules

#### 1.3. General Index Terms

Index As defined in the Index Specific Rules

Index Rules The rules for each Credit Suisse Volatility Target Index comprise of

the Master Index Rules and the Index Specific Rules as may be amended from time to time by the Index Sponsor in consultation

with the Index Committee

#### 1.4. Related Index Definitions

Adjusted Index In respect of an Index Component i, the adjusted value of such

Component Value: Index Component i taking into account the Funding Component or

Cash Component (where relevant), as calculated in accordance

with Section 2.3.2.

Base Currency As defined in the Index Specific Rules

Format As defined in the Index Specific Rules

FX Format As defined in the Index Specific Rules

Index Calculation Day

As defined in the Index Specific Rules

Index Component Each Index Component i as described in Table 1

Index Fee As defined in the Index Specific Rules

Index Fee Basis As defined in the Index Specific Rules

Index Rebalancing Day As defined in the Index Specific Rules

Index Reset Day

As defined in the Index Specific Rules

Index Start Date

As defined in the Index Specific Rules

Weight With respect to any Index Component i, and in respect of any Index

Rebalancing Day, the Weight is equal to the Initial Weight, as

specified in Table 2.

#### Table 1: Index Components Description

Table 1 is defined in the Index Specific Rules in the following format:

i	Index Component i ("IC <sub>i</sub> ")	Bloomberg Ticker	Currency	Asset Type	Return Type	Value	
	_	•		•			

#### **Table 2: Index Components Initial Weight and Costs**

Table 2 is defined in the Index Specific Rules in the following format:

i	Initial Weight	Holding Fee	Fee-In	Fee-Out

# 2. Preliminary Calculations

## 2.1. Cash Component

#### 2.1.1. Cash Component Definitions

Cash Calculation Day

As defined in the Index Specific Rules

Cash Rate

As defined in the Index Specific Rules

Cash Basis

As defined in the Index Specific Rules

Cash Spread

As defined in the Index Specific Rules

#### 2.1.2. Cash Component Calculation

The Cash Component Value denominated in the Base Currency calculated by the Index Calculation Agent according to the following formula:

- In respect of the Cash Start Date:

$$CC_{C_0} = 1,000$$

- In respect of any following Cash Calculation Day c is

$$CC_c = CC_{c-1} \times \left[ 1 + (CR_{c-1} + CS) \times \frac{D_{c-1,c}}{CB} \right]$$

Where:

 $\mathcal{CC}_{\mathcal{C}_0}$  The Cash Component Value denominated in the Base Currency on

the Cash Start Date;

*CC<sub>c</sub>* The Cash Component Value denominated in the Base Currency on

Cash Calculation Day c;

c A Cash Calculation Day for which a calculation or determination is

made:

 $CC_{c-1}$  The Cash Component Value denominated in the Base Currency on

Cash Calculation Day c-1;

c-1 The Cash Calculation Day immediately preceding Cash Calculation

Day c;

Cash Start Date The Index Start Date if the Index Start Date is a Cash Calculation

Day, otherwise the Cash Calculation Day immediately preceding

the Index Start Date:

 $CR_{c-1}$  The Cash Rate on Cash Calculation Day c-1 (or if such rate is not

available, the rate will be determined by the Index Calculation Agent

from prevailing swap market rates);

CS The Cash Spread;

 $D_{c-1,c}$  The number of calendar days from but excluding Cash Calculation

Day c-1 to and including Cash Calculation Day c;

CB The Cash Basis.

## 2.2. Funding Component

#### 2.2.1. Funding Component Definitions

Funding Calculation Days As defined in the Index Specific Rules

Funding Start Date With respect to a currency CCY, the Index Start Date if the Index

Start Date is a Funding Calculation Day  $f_{CCY}$ , otherwise the Funding Calculation Day  $f_{CCY}$  immediately preceding the Index Start Date.

#### **Table 3: Funding Rate**

Table 3 is defined in the Index Specific Rules in the following format:

Currency (CCY)	Funding Rate	Funding Basis	Funding Spread

### 2.2.2. Funding Component Calculation

The Funding Component Value denominated in currency CCY is calculated by the Index Calculation Agent according to the following formula:

- In respect of the relevant Funding Start Date:

$$FC_{F_{CCY}}^{CCY} = 1,000$$

- in respect of any following Funding Calculation Day fccy:

$$FC_{fccy}^{CCY} = FC_{fccy-1}^{CCY} \times \left[ 1 + \left( FR_{fccy-1}^{CCY} + FS^{CCY} \right) \times \frac{D_{fccy-1,fccy}}{FB^{CCY}} \right]$$

Where:

 $FC_{FCCY}^{CCY}$  The Funding Component Value denominated in currency CCY on

the relevant Funding Start Date;

 $FC_{fccy}^{CCY}$  The Funding Component Value denominated in currency CCY on

Funding Calculation Day fccy;

f<sub>CCY</sub> A Funding Calculation Day in currency CCY for which a calculation

or determination is made;

$FC_{fccY-1}^{CCY}$	The Funding Component Value denominated in currency CCY on Funding Calculation Day $f_{\text{CCY}}$ -1;
$f_{CCY}-1$	The Funding Calculation Day immediately preceding Funding Calculation Day $f_{\text{CCY}}$ ;
$FR_{fccy-1}^{CCY}$	The Funding Rate with respect to currency CCY (as specified in Table 3) on Funding Calculation Day $f_{\text{CCY}}$ -1 (or if such rate is not available, the rate will be determined by the Index Calculation Agent, taking into consideration the prevailing swap market rates);
FS <sup>CCY</sup>	The Funding Spread with respect to currency CCY (as specified in Table 3);
$D_{f_{CCY}-1,f_{CCY}}$	The number of calendar days from but excluding Funding Calculation Day $f_{\text{CCY}}$ -1 to and including Funding Calculation Day $f_{\text{CCY}}$ ;
$FB^{CCY}$	The Funding Basis with respect to currency CCY (as specified in

## 2.3. Adjusted Index Component Value Calculation

Table 3).

## 2.3.1. Index Component Value

The Index Component Value of Index Component i is calculated by the Index Calculation Agent according to the following formula:

- In respect of the Index Start Date:

$$IC_{i,0} = 1,000$$

- In respect of any following Index Calculation Day t:

$$IC_{i,t} = IC_{i,t-1} \times \left(\frac{V_{i,t} + (1 - WHT_{i,t}) \times Div_{i,t-1,t}}{V_{i,t-1}}\right)$$

Where:

$IC_{i,0}$	The Index Component Value of Index Component i on the Index Start Date;
$IC_{i,t}$	The Index Component Value of Index Component i on Index Calculation Day t;
t	An Index Calculation Day for which a calculation or determination is made;
$IC_{i,t-1}$	The Index Component Value of Index Component i on Index

Calculation Day t-1;

t-1 The Index Calculation Day immediately preceding Index Calculation Day t;

 $V_{i,t}$  The Value (as specified in Table 1) for Index Component i, on Index

Calculation Day t (or if such Value is not available, the Value will be the Value of Index Component i in respect of the immediate

following calendar day for which a Value is available);

 $V_{i,t-1}$  The Value (as specified in Table 1) for Index Component i, on Index

Calculation Day t-1 (or if such Value is not available, the Value will be the Value of Index Component i in respect of the immediate

following calendar day for which a Value is available);

*WHT*<sub>i,t</sub> As defined in the Index Specific Rules;

 $Div_{i,t-1,t}$  The sum of the gross cash dividend or distribution per share for

each Index Component i, spot converted in the Currency of Index Component i using the prevailing FX Rate, in respect of each exdividend date that falls from (but excluding) Index Calculation Day t-

1 to (and including) Index Calculation Day t;

#### 2.3.2. Adjusted Index Component Value

#### 2.3.2.1. Excess Return Index Component

The Adjusted Index Component Value of Index Component i, where Index Component i Return Type is specified as "Excess Return" in Table 1, is calculated by the Index Calculation Agent according to the following formula:

In respect of the Index Start Date:

$$AIC_{i,0} = 1,000$$

- In respect of any following Index Calculation Day t:

$$AIC_{i,t} = AIC_{i,t_{RS}} \times \left[ 1 + \frac{FX_t^{CCY_i}}{FX_{t_{RS}}^{CCY_i}} \times \left( \frac{IC_{i,t}}{IC_{i,t_{RS}}} - 1 \right) \right]$$

Where:

AIC<sub>i,0</sub> The Adjusted Index Component Value of Index Component i on the

Index Start Date;

AICit The Adjusted Index Component Value of Index Component i on

Index Calculation Day t;

 $AIC_{i.t.p.}$  The Adjusted Index Component Value of Index Component i on

Index Reset Day  $t_{Rs}$ ;

 $t_{Rs}$  The Index Reset Day immediately preceding Index Calculation Day

t;

 $FX_t^{CCY_i}$  The Base Currency/CCY<sub>i</sub> FX Rate (quoted as the number of Base

Currency per 1 unit of CCY<sub>i</sub>), in respect of Index Calculation Day t

as specified in Table 4. If such rate is not available, such rate will be

determined by the Index Calculation Agent;

 $FX_{t_{Rs}}^{CCY_i}$  The Base Currency/CCY<sub>i</sub> FX Rate of Index Component i calculated

in respect of Index Reset Day  $t_{RS}$ ;

 $IC_{i,t_{Rs}}$  The Index Component Value of Index Component i on Index Reset

Day  $t_{Rs}$ ;

CCY<sub>i</sub> Currency of Index Component i as specified in Table 1.

## 2.3.2.2. Total Return Index Component

The Adjusted Index Component Value of Index Component i, where Index Component i Return Type is specified as "Total Return" in Table 1, is calculated by the Index Calculation Agent according to the following formulae:

- In respect of the Index Start Date:

$$AIC_{i,0} = 1,000$$

- In respect of any following Index Calculation Day t:
  - o If the Format of the Index is "Excess Return":

$$AIC_{i,t} = AIC_{i,t_{RS}} \times \left[ 1 + \frac{FX_t^{CCY_i}}{FX_{t_{RS}}^{CCY_i}} \times \left( \frac{IC_{i,t}}{IC_{i,t_{RS}}} - \frac{FC_t^{CCY_i}}{FC_{t_{RS}}^{CCY_i}} \right) \right]$$

o If the Format of the Index is "Total Return" and the FX Format is "Spot Converted":

$$AIC_{i,t} = AIC_{i,t_{RS}} \times \left(\frac{FX_t^{CCY_i}}{FX_{t_{RS}}^{CCY_i}} \times \frac{IC_{i,t}}{IC_{i,t_{RS}}}\right)$$

o If the Format of the Index is "Total Return" and the FX Format is "FX Hedged":

$$AIC_{i,t} = AIC_{i,t_{RS}} \times \left[1 + \frac{FX_t^{CCY_i}}{FX_{t_{RS}}^{CCY_i}} \times \left(\frac{IC_{i,t}}{IC_{i,t_{RS}}} - 1\right) + \left(\frac{FW_{t_{RS}}^{CCY_i}}{FX_{t_{RS}}^{CCY_i}} - FXC - 1\right) \times \frac{D_{t_{RS},t}}{CCYBasis_i}\right]$$

Where:

 $FC_{t_{Rs}}^{CCY_i}$  The Funding Component Value denominated in currency CCY<sub>i</sub> on

Index Reset Day  $t_{Rs}$ ;

 $FW_{t_{Rs}}^{CCY_i}$  The Base Currency/CCY<sub>i</sub> FX Forward rate (quoted as the number

of Base Currency per 1 unit of  $CCY_i$ ) in respect of Index Reset Day  $t_{Rs}$  as specified in Table 4. If such rate is not available, such

rate will be determined by the Index Calculation Agent;

FXC As defined in the Index Specific Rules;

 $D_{t_{Rs},t}$  The number of calendar days from but excluding Index Reset Day

 $t_{\it Rs}$  to and including Index Calculation Day t.

 $CCYBasis_i$ 

Currency Basis of Base Currency/CCY $_{i}$  rate as specified in Table 4.

Table 4: FX Rate

Table 4 is defined in the Index Specific Rules in the following format:

Currency Pair	FX Rate	FX Forward	Currency Basis

## 3. Calculation of the Base Index Value

#### 3.1. Base Index Performance

The Base Index Performance from the Index Rebalancing Day  $t_{Reb}$  immediately preceding Index Calculation Day t to Index Calculation Day t, is calculated by the Index Calculation Agent according to the following formulae:

If the Format of the Index is Excess Return:

$$Perf_{t_{Reb},t}^{B} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left[ W_{i,t_{Reb}} \times \left( \frac{AIC_{i,t}}{AIC_{i,t_{Reb}}} - 1 \right) \right]$$

- If the Format of the Index is Total Return:

$$Perf^B_{t_{Reb},t} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ W_{i,t_{Reb}} \times \left( \frac{AIC_{i,t}}{AIC_{i,t_{Reb}}} - 1 \right) \right] + \left( 1 - \sum_{i=1}^n 1_{RT_i = TR} \times W_{i,t_{Reb}} \right) \times \left( \frac{CC_t}{CC_{t_{Reb}}} - 1 \right)$$

Where:

 $Perf_{t_{Reb},t}^{\it B}$  The Base Index Performance from Index Rebalancing Day  $t_{Reb}$  to

Index Calculation Day t;

n Number of Index Components i;

 $W_{i.t_{Roh}}$  Weight of Index Component i in the Base Index as implemented on

Index Rebalancing Day  $t_{Reb}$ ;

AICi.t The Adjusted Index Component Value of Index Component i on

Index Calculation Day t;

 $AIC_{i,t_{Pol}}$  The Adjusted Index Component Value of Index Component i on

Index Rebalancing Day  $t_{Reb}$ ;

t<sub>Reb</sub> Index Rebalancing Day immediately preceding Index Calculation

Day t;

 $1_{RT_i=TR}$  Equals 1 if Index Component i Return Type is specified as "Total

Return" in Table 1, and otherwise 0;

CC<sub>t</sub> The Cash Component Value denominated in the Base Currency on

Index Calculation Day t;

 $\mathcal{CC}_{t_{Pah}}$  The Cash Component Value denominated in the Base Currency on

Index Rebalancing Day  $t_{Reb}$ ;

## 3.2. Effective Weights

## 3.2.1. Effective Weight Ante-Rebalancing

The Effective Weight Ante-Rebalancing in respect of any Index Calculation Day t is calculated by the Index Calculation Agent according to the following formula:

$$EW_{i,t}^{A} = \frac{W_{i,t_{Reb}} \times \left(\frac{AIC_{i,t}}{AIC_{i,t_{Reb}}}\right)}{1 + Perf_{t_{Reb},t}^{B}}$$

Where:

EW<sub>i,t</sub> Effective Weight Ante-Rebalancing of Index Component i in the Base Index on Index Calculation Day t.

#### 3.2.2. Effective Weight Post-Rebalancing

The Effective Weight Post-Rebalancing in respect of any Index Calculation Day t is calculated by the Index Calculation Agent according to the following formula:

- If Index Calculation Day t is an Index Rebalancing Day  $t_{Reb}$ :

$$EW_{i,t_{Reb}}^{P}=W_{i,t_{Reb}}$$

- Otherwise:

 $EW_{i,t}^P = EW_{i,t}^A$ 

Where:

EWit Effective Weight Post-Rebalancing of Index Component i in the

Base Index on Index Calculation Day;

 $EW_{i,t_{Reh}}^{P}$  Effective Weight Post-Rebalancing of Index Component i in the

Base Index on Index Rebalancing Day  $t_{Reb}$ .

#### 3.3. Base Index Value

The Base Index Value is calculated by the Index Calculation Agent according to the following formula:

- In respect of the Index Start Date:

$$Index_0^B = 1,000$$

- in respect of any following Index Calculation Day t:

$$Index^{B}_{t} = Index^{B}_{t_{Reb}} \times \left(1 + Perf^{B}_{t_{Reb},t}\right)$$

Where:

 $Index_0^B$  Base Index Value on the Index Start Date;

Index<sup>B</sup> Base Index Value on Index Calculation Day t;

 $Index_{t_{Reb}}^{B}$  Base Index Value on Index Rebalancing Day  $t_{Reb}$ .

## 4. Calculation of the Index Value

## 4.1. Volatility Control Implementation

#### 4.1.1. Return Calculation

On any Index Calculation Day t, the Base Index Return is calculated by the Index Calculation Agent as:

- In respect of any Index Calculation Day t falling prior to (and including) the Index Start Date:

$$Return_t = \frac{\hat{\sigma}}{\sqrt{252}}$$

- In respect of any Index Calculation Day t from (but excluding) the Index Start Date:

$$\mathsf{Return}_t = \ln \left( \frac{Index_t^B}{Index_{t-1}^B} \right)$$

Where:

 $\operatorname{Return}_t$  The Base Index Return on Index Calculation Day t;

 $\hat{\sigma}$  As defined in the Index Specific Rules.

## 4.1.2. Volatility Control Calculation Method

On any Index Calculation Day t, the Realised Volatility is calculated by the Index Calculation Agent as:

$$\sigma_t = \max(\sigma_t^{Tenor1}, \sigma_t^{Tenor2})$$

Where:

 $\sigma_t^N$  The realised volatility of the Base Index over the period of N Index Calculation Days prior to Index Calculation Day t-Lag, as calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$\sigma_t^N = \sqrt{\frac{252}{N} \times \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \text{Return}_{t-k-Lag}^2}$$

Lag As defined in the Index Specific Rules;

Number of Index Calculation Days over which the realized volatility

is being calculated (being either Tenor 1 or Tenor 2);

 $\sigma_t^{Tenor1}$  The Tenor 1 Index Calculation Days volatility of the Base Index on

Index Calculation Day t;

 $\sigma_t^{Tenor2}$  The Tenor 2 Index Calculation Days volatility of the Base Index on

Index Calculation Day t;

Tenor 1 As defined in the Index Specific Rules;

Tenor 2 As defined in the Index Specific Rules.

## 4.1.3. Volatility Target Allocation Method

On any Index Calculation Day t from (and including) the Index Start Date, the Volatility Control Weight of the Index in the Base Index is calculated by the Index Calculation Agent as:

- If the Volatility Control Format of the Index is "Target":

o if Index Calculation Day t is the Index Start Date, then  $W_0^{VC} = \min\left(MaxAlloc, \frac{\sigma_{VC}}{\widehat{\sigma}}\right)$ 

o Otherwise  $W_t^{VC} = W_{t-1}^{VC}$ 

- If the Volatility Control Format of the Index is "Table", the weight is calculated according to the allocation table specified in Table 5:

#### **Table 5: Allocation Table**

Table 5 is defined in the Index Specific Rules in the following format:

$\sigma_t$	$W_t^{VC}$

- If the Volatility Control Format of the Index is "Not Applicable":  $W_t^{VC} = Constant Alloc$ 

Where:

 $\sigma_{VC}$  As defined in the Index Specific Rules;

 $W_t^{VC}$  Volatility Control Weight of the Index on Index Calculation Day t;  $W_{t-1}^{VC}$  Volatility Control Weight of the Index on Index Calculation Day t-1;

 $W_0^{VC}$  Volatility Control Weight of the Index on Index Start Date;

MaxAllocAs defined in the Index Specific Rules;BandAs defined in the Index Specific Rules;

#### 4.2. Index Performance

The Index Performance in respect of any Index Calculation Day t is calculated by the Index Calculation Agent according to the following formula:

- If the Format of the Index is Excess Return:

$$Perf_{t-1,t} = W_{t-1}^{VC} \times \left(\frac{Index_t^B}{Index_{t-1}^B} - 1\right)$$

- If the Format of the Index is Total Return:
  - o If  $W_{t-1}^{VC} \le 100\%$ :

$$Perf_{t-1,t} = W_{t-1}^{VC} \times \left( \frac{Index_{t}^{B}}{Index_{t-1}^{B}} - 1 \right) + (1 - W_{t-1}^{VC}) \times \left( \frac{CC_{t}}{CC_{t-1}} - 1 \right)$$

o Otherwise:

$$Perf_{t-1,t} = W_{t-1}^{VC} \times \left(\frac{Index_{t}^{B}}{Index_{t-1}^{B}} - 1\right) + (1 - W_{t-1}^{VC}) \times \left(\frac{FC_{t}^{BCCY}}{FC_{t-1}^{BCCY}} - 1\right)$$

Where:

 $Perf_{t-1,t}$ 

The Index Performance from Index Calculation Day t-1 to Index Calculation Day t;

# 4.3. Index Rebalancing Cost

The Index Rebalancing Cost is calculated by the Index Calculation Agent according to the following formula:

- In respect of the Index Start Date:

$$RC_0 = 0$$

- In respect of any following Index Calculation Day t:

$$RC_{t} = |W_{t}^{VC} - W_{t-1}^{VC}| \times \sum_{i=1}^{n} |EW_{i,t}^{A}| \times \left(FI_{i} \times 1_{W_{t}^{VC} \ge W_{t-1}^{VC}} + FO_{i} \times 1_{W_{t}^{VC} < W_{t-1}^{VC}}\right)$$

Where:

RC<sub>t</sub> Index Rebalancing Cost on Index Calculation Day t;

 $RC_0$  Index Rebalancing Cost on the Index Start Date set to 0;

 $EW_{i,t_{Reb}}^{A}$  Effective Weight Ante-Rebalancing of Index Component i in the

Base Index on Index Rebalancing Day  $t_{Reb}$ . For the avoidance of doubt,  $EW_{i,t_{Reb}}^A$  refers to the Effective Weight prior to any

rebalancing.

FI<sub>i</sub> Fee-In for Index Component i as specified in Table 2;

 $1_{W_t^{VC} \ge W_{t-1}^{VC}}$  Equals 1 if  $W_t^{VC} \ge W_{t-1}^{VC}$  and otherwise 0;

FO<sub>i</sub> Fee-Out for Index Component i as specified in Table 2;

 $1_{W_t^{VC} < W_{t-1}^{VC}}$  Equals 1 if  $W_t^{VC} < W_{t-1}^{VC}$  and otherwise 0.

## 4.4. Aggregate Holding Fee

The Aggregate Holding Fee in respect of any Index Calculation Day t is calculated by the Index Calculation Agent according to the following formula:

$$AHF_{t-1,t} = W_{t-1}^{VC} \times \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \left| EW_{i,t-1}^{P} \right| \times HF_{i} \times \frac{D_{t-1,t}}{365} \right)$$

Where:

 $AHF_{t-1,t}$  The Aggregate Holding Fee from Index Calculation Day t-1 to

Index Calculation Day t;

 $EW_{i,t-1}^P$  Effective Weight Post-Rebalancing of Index Component i in the

Base Index on Index Calculation Day t-1;

HF<sub>i</sub> The annual Holding Fee for Index Component i as specified in Table

2:

 $D_{t-1,t}$  The number of calendar days from but excluding Index Calculation

Day t-1 to and including Index Calculation Day t;

#### 4.5. Index Value

The Index Value is calculated by the Index Calculation Agent according to the following formula:

- In respect of the Index Start Date:

$$Index_0 = 1,000$$

- In respect of any following Index Calculation Day t:

$$Index_{t} = Index_{t-1} \times \left(1 + Perf_{t-1,t} - RC_{t} - AHF_{t-1,t} - Fee \times \frac{D_{t-1,t}}{Basis}\right)$$

Where:

 $Index_0$  Index Value on the Index Start Date;

Index<sub>t</sub> Index Value on Index Calculation Day t;

 $Index_{t-1}$  Index Value on Index Calculation Day t-1;

Fee The annual Index Fee;

Basis The Index Fee Basis.

# 5. Publication of the Index Value

As specified in the Index Specific Rules.

# 5.1. Index Precision

As specified in the Index Specific Rules.

# 6. Amendment of the Index Rules; Index Component Substitution; Withdrawal of the Index

The Index Sponsor may in consultation with the Index Committee, supplement, amend (in whole or in part), revise, rebalance or withdraw the Index at any time if one of the following occurs:

- a) there is any event or circumstance that in the determination of the Index Sponsor makes it impossible or impracticable to calculate the Index pursuant to the Index Rules;
- b) a change to the Index Rules is required to address an error, ambiguity or omission in the determination of the Index Sponsor;
- c) the Index Sponsor determines that an Extraordinary Event has occurred; or
- d) the Index Sponsor determines that a Fund Disruption Event has occurred.

A supplement, amendment, revision, or rebalancing may lead to a change in the way the Index is calculated or constructed. Such changes may include, without limitation, substitution of an Index Component, or changes to the Strategy.

"Extraordinary Event" means any of the following events or circumstances:

- a) change in either (i) the liquidity of any Index Component (including the application of any gating, side-pocketing or other similar arrangement), (ii) the form of payment of a transaction linked to any Index Component, or (iii) the trading volume, terms or listing of any Index Component;
- change in any applicable law or regulation, or any decision or promulgation of any change in the interpretation by any court, tribunal or regulatory authority of any applicable law or regulation;
- c) any event or circumstance that means the value of an Index Component is, in the determination of the Index Sponsor, unreliable;
- d) an Index Component is permanently discontinued or otherwise unavailable;
- e) change in the method by which the value of an Index Component is calculated;
- f) any event that, in the determination of the Index Sponsor, has a material adverse effect on the ability of the Index Sponsor (or any of its affiliates) to establish, maintain, value, rebalance or unwind a hedge position(which may include physical investments or entering into futures contracts or OTC derivatives) in relation to an investment product linked to the Index;
- g) any Additional Extraordinary Event specified in the relevant Index Specific Rules.
- h) any other event which, either (i) in the determination of the Index Sponsor has a material adverse impact on the ability of the Index Calculation Agent, or Index Sponsor to perform its duties, or (ii) in the determination of the Index Sponsor, serves to frustrate or affect the purpose or aims of the Index Strategy (for example if the Index Sponsor determines at any time that there is a material risk of an Index Value becoming negative), or (iii) in the determination of the Index Sponsor, the overall notional amount of products linked to the Index falls to a size which renders the continuation of the Index economically unviable for the Index Sponsor.

which, in the case of each of (a) - (e) above, has or will have, as determined by the Index Sponsor in its discretion, a material effect either on the performance of the Index, or the ability of the Index Calculation Agent to calculate the value of the Index, or the ability of the Index to achieve the Index Strategy, or the ability of a hypothetical investor to replicate the Index.

Following any withdrawal of the Index as described above the Index Sponsor may, but is not obliged to do so, replace the Index with a successor index and/or replace the Strategy with a similar successor strategy or an entirely new strategy at any time, as it deems appropriate in its discretion.

# 7. Index Disruption Events

## 7.1. Index Disruption

Where, in the determination of the Index Sponsor, an Index Disruption Event has occurred or is existing and subsisting in respect of any Index Calculation Day (a "Disrupted Day"), the Index Sponsor may in respect of such Disrupted Day (i) suspend the calculation and publication of an Index Value and/or (ii) determine an Index Value on the basis of estimated or adjusted data and publish an estimated level of an Index Value and/or, the Index Sponsor may, following such Disrupted Day, take any action including but not limited to designation of alternative price sources, reconstitution of the Index or a temporary change of Weights or Volatility Control Weight.

For these purposes, "Index Disruption Event" means a General Disruption Event, an Equity Index Disruption Event or a Fund Disruption Event.

## 7.2. General Disruption Events

In the determination of the Index Sponsor, the following events are each a "General Disruption Event":

- a) a closure of the money markets denominated in a relevant currency as determined by the Index Sponsor other than for ordinary public holidays, or a restriction or suspension in trading in these markets that would materially impact the determination arising in the construction or calculation of the Index and an Index Value;
- b) the failure, suspension or postponement of any calculation within the Index Strategy in respect of any Index Calculation Day, any event resulting in a breakdown in any means of communication or a procedure normally used to enable the determination of an Index Value, any other event, in the determination of the Index Sponsor preventing the prompt or accurate determination of an Index Value, or the Index Sponsor concludes that as a consequence of any such event that the last reported Index Value should not be relied upon; and
- c) the occurrence, in respect of any security, option, futures, derivative or foreign exchange contract or other instrument referenced in the calculation of the Index not falling within Section 7.3 below, of (i) any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading by any relevant exchange or other trading facility, (ii) the closure of any relevant exchange or other trading facility before its scheduled closing time, or (iii) any other event that disrupts or impairs, as determined by the Index Sponsor, the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in, or obtain market values for, the relevant contract.

# 7.3. Equity Index Disruption Events

In the determination of the Index Sponsor, with respect to any Index Component which Asset Type is Equity Index, the following events are each an "Equity Index Disruption Event":

- a) (i) the occurrence or existence, in respect of any Component Security, of one of the following:
  - 1) a Trading Disruption, which the Index Sponsor determines is material, at any time during the one-hour period that ends at the scheduled closing time of the Exchange in respect of such Component Security;
  - 2) an Exchange Disruption, which the Index Sponsor determines is material, at any time during the one-hour period that ends at the scheduled closing time of the Exchange in respect of such Component Security; or
  - 3) an Early Closure; and
  - (ii) the aggregate of all Component Securities, in respect of which a Trading Disruption, an Exchange Disruption or an Early Closure occurs or exists, comprises, in the determination of the Index Sponsor, a material proportion of the level of the Equity Index;
- b) any failure to publish the value of a version of an Equity Index for any reason on a day when such Equity Index is due to be published; or
- c) any event that disrupts or impairs (as determined by the Index Sponsor) the ability of market participants (or the Index Sponsor and/or its affiliates) in general transactions in, or obtain market values for, futures or options contracts referencing an Equity Index.

#### For these purposes:

"Component Security" means, in respect of a version of an Equity Index, each component security of such Equity Index;

"Early Closure" means the closure on any Exchange Business Day of the Exchange in respect of any Component Security before its scheduled closing time, unless such earlier closing time is announced by such Exchange at least one hour before the earlier of (i) the actual closing time for the regular trading session on such Exchange on such Exchange Business Day and (ii) the submission deadline for orders to be entered into the Exchange system for execution at the scheduled closing time on such Exchange Business Day;

"Equity Index" is as defined in the Index Specific Rules;

"Exchange Disruption" means any event (other than an Early Closure) that disrupts or impairs, as determined by the Index Sponsor, the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in, or obtain market values for, any Component Security;

"Scheduled Trading Day" means, in respect of any Exchange, any day on which such Exchange is scheduled to be open for trading for its regular trading session;

"Exchange" means, in respect of a Component Security or Index Component which is an ETF (each an "ETF Share"), the exchange or quotation system on which such Component Security or ETF Share is principally traded;

"Exchange Business Day" means any Scheduled Trading Day on which each Exchange is open for trading during its regular trading sessions, notwithstanding any such Exchange closing before its scheduled closing time;

**"Trading Disruption**" means any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading by the relevant Exchange or otherwise, and whether by reason of movements in price exceeding limits permitted by the relevant Exchange or otherwise, relating to any Component Security on the Exchange in respect of such Component Security.

## 7.4. Fund Disruption Events

In the determination of the Index Sponsor, with respect to any Index Component which Asset Type is either ETF or Mutual Fund (each a "Fund"), the occurrence of any of the following events are each a "Fund Disruption Event":

- a) a Breach of Agreement;
- b) a Cross-Contamination;
- c) an ETF Trading Volume Event;
- d) a Fund Insolvency Event;
- e) a Fund Modification;
- f) a Loss of Fund Assets;
- g) a Loss of Fund Manager Assets;
- h) a Loss of License;
- i) a Regulatory Action;
- j) a Reporting Disruption; or
- k) a Strategy Breach.

#### For these purposes:

**"Breach of Agreement"** means, with respect to a Fund, a breach by the Fund Manager or any affiliate of the Fund Manager of any agreement with the Index Sponsor.

"Cross-Contamination" means, with respect to a Fund or related reference fund, the occurrence of a cross-contamination or other failure to segregate effectively assets between different classes, series or sub-funds of such Fund or related reference fund, and such event continues, in the determination of the Index Sponsor, for the foreseeable future.

**"ETF Trading Volume Event"** means, with respect to an Index Component for which Asset Type is ETF, the average daily trading volume (the product of (i) the average volume of trading in the shares of such ETF on all exchanges over the preceding 3 month period and (ii) the closing level of such ETF) declines below the Minimum Trading Volume.

"Fund Insolvency Event" means, in respect of a Fund, that the Fund, related reference fund, or related Service Provider (unless the affected Service Provider is replaced with an acceptable successor) (a) is dissolved or has a resolution passed for its dissolution, winding up, official liquidation (other than pursuant to a consolidation, amalgamation or merger), (b) makes a general assignment or arrangement with or for the benefit of its creditors, (c) (i) institutes or has instituted against it, by a regulator, supervisor or any similar official with primary insolvency,

rehabilitative or regulatory jurisdiction over it in the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organisation or the jurisdiction of its head or home office, a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation by it or such regulator, supervisor or similar official, or (ii) has instituted against it a proceeding seeking a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or any other relief under any bankruptcy or insolvency law or other similar law affecting creditors' rights, or a petition is presented for its winding-up or liquidation, and such proceeding or petition is instituted or presented by a person or entity not described in clause (i) above and either (A) results in a judgment of insolvency or bankruptcy or the entry of an order for relief or the making of an order for its winding-up or liquidation, or (B) is not dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained in each case within fifteen days of the institution or presentation thereof, (d) seeks or becomes subject to the appointment of an administrator, provisional liquidator, conservator, receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for it or for all or substantially all its assets, (e) has a secured party take possession of all or substantially all its assets or has a distress, execution, attachment, sequestration or other legal process levied, enforced or sued on or against all or substantially all its assets and such secured party maintains possession, or any such process is not dismissed, discharged, stayed or restrained, in each case within fifteen days thereafter, or (f) causes or is subject to any event with respect to it which, under the applicable laws of any jurisdiction, has an analogous effect to any of the events specified in clauses (a) through (e) above.

"Fund Modification" means, with respect to a Fund or related reference fund, (i) any change or modification of the Prospectus which could reasonably be expected to affect (a) the value of such Fund, (b) the rights or remedies of any holder thereof, as compared with those rights and remedies prevailing on the Index Start Date, in each case, as determined by the Index Sponsor, or (c) the provisions relating to investment objectives, strategies, restrictions and requirements as set out in the Prospectus, (ii) any material change to the legal constitution or management including, but not limited to, a change in the Fund Manager, or a material change in the Fund or Fund Manager's organisation or management (including, but not limited to, a merger or other reorganisation event) which materially alters the nature of the Fund or the nature and role of the Fund Manager in relation to the Fund; or (iii) the Fund Manager imposes fees or dealing rules that increase the effective dealing costs relating to any Fund.

"Loss of Fund Assets" means, in respect of a Fund or related reference fund, that the aggregate net asset value of the relevant fund or reference fund falls below the Minimum Fund Assets.

"Loss of Fund Manager Assets" means, in respect of a Fund or related reference fund, that the aggregate net asset value of the relevant Fund Manager falls below the Minimum Fund Manager Assets.

"Loss of License" means, with respect to a Fund or related reference fund, the loss of an applicable licence or regulatory authorisation applying to a Fund or any related Service Provider (unless the Index Sponsor determines that such event is immaterial).

"Regulatory Action" means, with respect to a Fund or related reference fund, as applicable, (a) the cancellation, suspension or revocation of the registration or approval of such Fund, related reference fund or related Service Provider by any governmental, legal or regulatory entity with authority over such Fund or related reference fund, (b) any change in the legal, tax, accounting,

or regulatory treatments of the related reference fund or its Fund Manager that is reasonably likely to have an adverse impact on the value of such Fund, on the Index Sponsor as an investor in such Fund, or on any investor therein, or (c) the related reference fund or any of its Service Providers becoming subject to any investigation, arbitration, regulatory action, government action, proceeding or litigation by any relevant governmental, legal or regulatory authority involving the alleged violation of applicable law for any activities relating to or resulting from the operation of the reference fund or Service Provider.

"Reporting Disruption" means, in respect of a Fund or related reference fund, the occurrence of any event affecting such Fund that would make it impossible or impracticable to determine the value or risk profile of such Fund in respect of an Index Calculation Day, including a failure, suspension or postponement in the reporting or publishing of the Fund value as regularly scheduled.

**"Strategy Breach"** means, in respect of a Fund or related reference fund, any breach or violation of any strategy or investment restrictions, or a change in the risk profile of a reference fund (including but not limited to any benchmark change) stated in the related Prospectus that is reasonably likely to affect the value of such Fund or the rights or remedies of any holders thereof.

Where:

**"Executive Committee"** means, in respect of a Fund, the group of individuals specified in that Fund's Prospectus as responsible for overseeing the activities of that Fund.

"Fund Administrator" means, in respect of a Fund, the entity specified in that Fund's Prospectus as responsible for the administration of that Fund and the determination and reporting of the Official Net Asset Value of that Fund.

"Fund Manager" means, in respect of a Fund, the entity specified in that Fund's Prospectus as responsible for providing investment management advice to that Fund and/or the Fund Administrator and/or the Executive Committee, or other person responsible for providing financial information relating to that Fund to its investors.

"Minimum Fund Assets" is as defined in in the Index Specific Rules.

"Minimum Fund Manager Assets" is as defined in in the Index Specific Rules.

"Minimum Trading Volume" is as defined in in the Index Specific Rules.

"Official Net Asset Value" means, in respect of a Fund, the net asset value per unit of the Fund as calculated and reported by its Fund Administrator.

"Prospectus" means, in respect of a Fund, the offering document for that Fund, as updated, reissued or supplemented from time to time.

"Service Provider" means, in respect of a Fund, the Fund Manager, the Fund Administrator, the custodian or any other service provider.

# 8. Potential Adjustment Events

If the Index Sponsor determines that a Potential Adjustment Event has occurred in respect of a Fund, the Index Sponsor will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a diluting or concentrative effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Fund and, if so, the Index Sponsor may (i) make the corresponding adjustment(s), if any, to the relevant Fund as the Index Sponsor 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 the relevant Fund), and (ii) determine the effective date(s) of the adjustment(s). The Index Sponsor may (but need not) determine the appropriate adjustment(s) by reference to the adjustment(s) in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by an options exchange to options on the relevant Fund traded on such options exchange.

In the determination of the Index Sponsor, with respect to any Fund, the following events are each a "Potential Adjustment Event":

- 1. a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of relevant Fund, or a free distribution or dividend of any Fund to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue;
- 2. a distribution, issue or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Fund of (i) such Fund, or (ii) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the relevant Fund equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Fund, or (iii) share capital or other securities of another issuer acquired or owned (directly or indirectly) by the relevant Fund 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 (cash or other consideration) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Index Sponsor;
- 3. the declaration or payment of an extraordinary dividend;
- 4. a repurchase by any Fund of its shares the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise, other than in respect of a redemption of shares initiated by an investor which is consistent with the relevant Fund documents:
- 5. a Tender Offer, Nationalisation, Delisting, or Merger Event;
- 6. any other event that may have a diluting or concentrating effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Fund.

#### For these purposes:

"Tender Offer" means, in respect of a Fund, 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, more than 10 per cent. and less than 100 per cent. of the outstanding voting shares of the Fund, as determined by the Index Sponsor, based upon the making of filings with governmental or self-regulatory agencies or such other information as the Index Sponsor deems in its determination relevant.

"Nationalisation" means that all the ETF Shares of a Fund or all the assets or substantially all the assets of such Fund are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority, entity or instrumentality.

"Delisting" means, in respect of any ETF Share, that the relevant Exchange announces that pursuant to the rules of such Exchange, the ETF Share ceases (or will cease) to be listed, traded or publicly quoted on the Exchange for any reason (other than a Merger Event or Tender Offer) and is not immediately re-listed, re-traded or re-quoted on an exchange or quotation system located in the same country as the Exchange (or, where the Exchange is within the European Union, in any member state of the European Union).

"Merger Event" means, in respect of any ETF Shares, any (a) reclassification or change of the ETF Shares that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all of such ETF Shares outstanding, to another entity or person, (b) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the relevant Fund with or into another entity or person (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which the relevant Fund is the continuing entity and which does not result in reclassification or change of all of such ETF Shares outstanding), (c) 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 ETF Shares of the relevant Fund that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all such ETF Shares (other than such ETF Shares owned or controlled by such other entity or person), or (d) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the relevant Fund with or into another entity in which such Fund is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such ETF Shares outstanding but results in the outstanding ETF Shares (other than ETF Shares owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event collectively representing less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding ETF Shares immediately following such event.

# 9. Discretionary Determinations by Index Sponsor and Index Calculation Agent

As specified in the Index Specific Rules.

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