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Foreword

In this Release information, Clearstream Banking¹ presents enhancements and developments that are planned for implementation on 2 July 2012.

The document contains key information about the content of the release, which covers the following areas, products and services:

- · Custody Services and Connectivity;
- Investment Funds Services.

The aim of the document is to provide customers with the operational details required to extract the full benefits from the new and enhanced services and integrate these fully into their operational processes, as appropriate.

The summary of changes related to SWIFT message standards were published, together with quality enhancements, in Announcement A12015, dated 19 January 2012 and in the Creation via SWIFT User Guide pre-issue, dated 7 March 2012.

Changes related to the increase of the number of decimal digits for unit quantities of investment fund shares were published in CBL Announcement A12040, dated 24 February 2012.

The respective documentation and guides associated with the impacted products and/or services will be updated to reflect the enhancements in due course.

Note: In some cases, this document will not contain the details of enhancements where a separate announcement has been published to address the needs of a particular product or service.

Further information

The Pre-Issue edition of the <u>Creation via SWIFT User Guide</u> is available at www.clearstream.com, under Information Centre / Connectivity / Creation via SWIFT Reference.

For further information about our products and services, please visit <u>www.clearstream.com</u> or contact Clearstream Banking Customer Service or your Relationship Officer.

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1. Executive summary

Effective Monday, 2 July 2012, as part of Clearstream Banking's ongoing commitment to the timeliness and quality of our services to customers, CBL will implement quality enhancements to our existing services. The services impacted and a summary of the enhancements can be found below.

Custody Services and Connectivity

Major enhancements will be made to our Coporate Action Notifications, Certification Requests and the Income Pre-Advice Report (IPAR). The enhancements made will apply to the MT564 and will offer a more detailed and granular reporting. Changes will be offered through all existing connectivity channels.

Investment Funds Services

Clearstream Banking will increase the maximum number of decimal digits for unit quantities of investment fund shares from four (4) to six (6). This enhancement will apply across all services, including investment fund orders, securities settlement transactions, securities statements and custody services statements.

2. Custody Services and Connectivity

Corporate Action Notification

The following enhancements¹ will be made to the Income Pre-Advice Report (IPAR), Corporate Action Notifications and Certification Requests via all connectivity media²:

- The Entitled Quantity (:36B::ENTL//) will be reported for redemptions in shares, warrants, dividend reinvestment and dividend option (added to IPAR).
- Securities movements (SECMOVE) that could be part of the flow of an event, for example Redemptions in Shares or Warrants (that pay in cash and/or cash and securities) will be reported (added to IPAR). Warrants that only pay in securities will not be reported.
- Options with different payment dates that have already been paid (confirmed by MT566) will be shown as inactive in the IPAR (:22F::0STA//INTV). Only unconfirmed Options will remain active.
- For Redemptions in Shares and Warrants with CAMV//MAND, the IPAR will only be sent if the default option has been defined.
- Reporting of drawings (event DRAW) will be improved; in addition to the Eligible Balance, the Balance affected by the drawing will be reported (:93B::AFFB) as well as the remaining unaffected balance (:93B::UNAF).
- The reporting of interest payments will be improved to display the current pool factor if applicable (if other than 1). CBL will send the pool factor using field :92A::PRFC// (Previous Factor) instead of field :92A::NWFC// (Next factor).
- Pending balances will be reported using a new format (:93C::PEND//ELIG, :93C::PEND//NELG, :93C::PENR//ELIG, :93C::PENR//NELG) to more clearly distinguish eligible and non-eligible pending balances.

To determine the final balance on record date, the new eligible balance (ELIG) reported pre-record date should be read in conjunction with the PEND//ELIG and PENR//ELIG to obtain the forecast of the final balance on record date.

As from the record date, the balances reported in fields :93C::PEND//ELIG and :93C::PENR//ELIG may, depending on the underlying settlement transaction type (internal, Bridge, domestic), be subject to automatic compensations or claims to/from counterparties.

Note: In order to ensure that the pending balances are included in the IPAR, users of CreationOnline should tick the "Pending Trades" box when defining their IPAR scheduled report parameters.

In addition to the above changes, the balances calculation between Corporate Action Notifications, Certifications, IPARs and Missing Instructions Alerts will be harmonised. As a consequence, additional IPAR messages might be generated in the first run on 2 July 2012.

^{1.} Pre-advised in CBL Announcement A12015, dated 19 January 2012.

Creation via SWIFT, CreationOnline, CreationDirect via Internet, CreationDirect via VPN, CreationDirect via SWIFTNet, CreationDirect via LiMA.

If relevant to the event type reported, the following fields will be added:

Sequence B1 - Financial Instrument Attributes

SWIFT Tag	Description	CAEV	CAMV
:92A::PRFC	Previous Factor	INTR	MAND

Sequence B2 - Account Information

SWIFT Tag	Description	CAEV	CAMV
:93B::AFFB	Affected Balance	DRAW	
:93B::UNAF	Unaffected Balance	DRAW	
:93C::PEND//ELIG	Pending Delivery Balance Eligible		
:93C::PEND//NELG	Pending Delivery Balance Not Eligible		
:93C::PENR//ELIG	Pending Receipt Balance Eligible		
:93C::PENR//NELG	Pending Receipt Balance Not Eligible		

Sequence D - Corporate Action Details

SWIFT Tag	Description	CAEV	CAMV
:98C::ETPD	Early Third Party Deadline	DVCA	CHOS
:98C::TPDT	Third Party Deadline	DVOP	CHOS
		DRIP	CHOS
		EXWA	MAND
		EXWA	CHOS

Note: Fields: 98C::TAXB Tax Certification Deadline and: 17B::CERT Certification Y/N will not be included in the IPAR message as previously indicated.

Sequence E - Corporate Action Options

SWIFT Tag	Description	CAEV	CAMV
:22F::OSTA//INTV 1	Option Status Inactive		
:98C::EARD	Early Deadline	DVOP	CHOS
		DRIP	CHOS
:98C::RDDT 1	Clearstream Banking Deadline	DVCA	CHOS
:98C::MKDT ¹	•	REDM	MAND
		DVOP	CHOS
		DRIP	CHOS
		EXWA	MAND
		EXWA	CHOS

Subsequence E1 - Securities Movement

SWIFT Tag	Description	CAEV	CAMV
:36B::ENTL 1	Entitled Quantity	REDM	MAND
		DVOP	CHOS
		DRIP	CHOS
		EXWA	MAND
		EXWA	CHOS
:22H::CRDB//CRED 1	Credit/Debit Indicator	REDM	MAND
	Credit	DVOP	CHOS
		DRIP	CHOS
		EXWA	MAND
		EXWA	CHOS

^{1.} Applicable to IPAR only.

Corporate Action Notifications

For Corporate Action Notifications, customers are reminded of the following rules:

- New corporate action (CA) option numbers will be reported if the currency in a CA option or the ISIN of the security proceeds is changed in a CA option. This will make it easier to distinguish between old and new options.
- For a large number of event types, CBL has added the early deadline in structured fields in order to reduce the usage of the :70E://ADTX field.
- Where applicable, several cash options will be reported in structured fields in order to reduce the usage of narrative.
- With regard to event type rights distribution (RHDI), more than one right can be reported within one option using structured fields, reducing the usage of narrative. In this particular case, the corresponding two rights exercise events (EXRI) will be linked to the one right distribution event (RHDI).
- For event type DVOP CHOS (French market), the dividend amount is removed from the CASHMOVE sequence in CA option SECU. The dividend amount is reported in the CA option CASH.

Changes to CreationOnline

In addition to all the new fields added, the following enhancements will be implemented in CreationOnline, Custody, IPAR Queries, list and detail views:

- The IPAR Query on date selection "Payment Date from/to" will now check the Payment date in both Cash Movements and Securities Movements; (previously, only results for cash movements were returned).
- The columns of the IPAR list view will be rearranged and renamed to optimise field grouping:
 - Execution date is removed.
 - A new column for "Gross Tax Free" is added.
 - The former column "CCY" for Currency is removed and will be replaced by two columns:
 - "Denom CCY" for the denomination currency of the issue the other for "PAYT CCY" indicating the payment currency after any foreign exchange.
 - "Gross Amount" is renamed to "Gross Taxable".
- The column Earliest Payment Date will show the earliest payment date of Cash and Securities
 movements.

Customer benefits

Customers will benefit from increased quality through more granular reports and refined user management. These quality enhancements are delivered through all connectivity media.

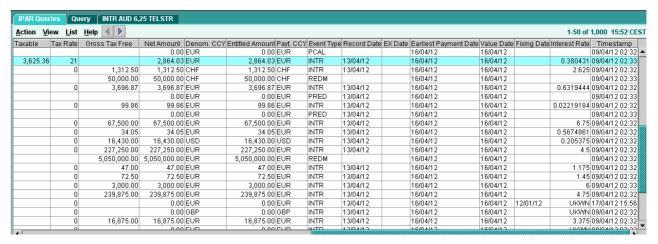
Cutover

Customers do not need to take any action. The enhanced reports will be generated automatically for all customers from 2 July 2012.

Details

The new IPAR list view will look like the following (here presented in two halves):





The "Option Status" in the IPAR via CreationOnline will now indicate when an option has already been paid.

In addition, for Corporate Action Notifications, a response via the CreationOnline interface or CSV file upload will not be permitted on inactive options.

New balance types will appear in the CreationOnline IPAR detail view as follows:

- Affected Balance: Quantity of securities that have been affected by the process run through the event (Drawing events only).
- Unaffected Balance: Quantity of securities that have not been affected by the process run through the event (Drawing events only).
- Pending Delivery Eligible: Balance of securities eligible for this event that are pending delivery.
- Pending Delivery Not Eligible: Balance of securities not eligible for this event that are pending delivery.
- Pending Receipt Eligible: Balance of securities eligible for this event that are pending receipt.
- Pending Receipt Not Eligible: Balance of securities not eligible for this event that are pending receipt.

The following example of the IPAR detail view (presented in two pieces) illustrates the use of several of the new balance types and includes both cash and securities movements.

BS_P1736_SYTE_01_ST_pz416 Clearstream Banking - CreationOnline	16:26 CEST
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General Information

Corporate Action Reference 0000000800000008 - Version 3 of 3

Payment Status Unconfirmed
Safekeeping Account 00800 - BANK AG

Event Type DRAW - Partial Redemption by Drawing

Mandatory / Voluntary Mandatory
Notification Timestamp 10/05/12 12:51

Underlying Financial Instrument

 ISIN Code
 GR0124024580

 Common Code
 018386950 - Single

Description EUR 4,50 HELLENIC REPUBLIC 04-2014
Place of Safekeeping BNGRBWAAXXX-BANKOF GREECE ATHENS

Type Bo Attributes

Method of Interest Computation A011 - 30/360 (ICMA or Basic Rule)

Balances

Balance As Of 06/03/12 09:03 PendingDeliveryEligible 50,000 FAMT 60,000 Pending Delivery Not Eligible FAMT 2,477,000 Settlement Position FAMT 150,000 PendingReceiptEligible FAMT 471,000 **PendingReceiptNotEligible** FAMT 2,477,000 Eligible FAMT

Details

 Announcement Date
 01/02/12

 Lottery Date
 01/02/12

Annual Interest Rate 4

Interest Period 01/03/12 - 30/03/12

Number of Days Accrued 29

Additional Business Process Indicator Preliminary Advice of Payment

Option 001 CASH - Cash

Default Processing Flag Yes
Currency USD

Security Movement

 Credit / Debit
 Debit

 ISIN Code
 GR0124024580

 Common Code
 018386950 - Single

Description EUR 4,50 HELLENIC REPUBLIC 04-2014
Place of Safekeeping BNGRBWAAXXX-BANK OF GREECE ATHENS

Type Bond
Payment Date 07/03/12

Quantity of Financial Instrument Entitled FAMT 2,477,000

Cash Movement

Credit / Debit Credit

 Cash Account
 80800 - BANK AG

 Value Date
 07/03/12

 Payment Date
 07/03/12

 Earliest Payment Date
 07/03/12

Contractual Payment Indicator Upon Receipt of Funds

 Charges/Fees Amount
 EUR
 9,908

 Interest Amount
 EUR
 7,850.6

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BS_P1736_SYTE_0	1_ST_pz416	Clearstream Banki	ng - CreationOnline			16:26 CEST
FXConversion Resul	tingAmount	USD	369,49	2.6		
Entitled Amount		USD	369,492	2.6		
NetAmount		EUR	369,492	2.6		
Principal or Corpus		EUR	371,550	0		
Tax Free Amount		EUR	379,400	0.6		
Charges/Fees Rate		EUR	(0.004		
Exchange Rate		EUR - USD	1	L		
Withholding Tax Rat	e		0)		
Interest Rate Used fo	or Payment		0	3169398		
Cash Price Received	per Product	Percentage	15	5		
Narratives						
Additional Text						
PAYMENT UPON RE	ECEIPT OF FUNDS					
Action History						
Version	Timestamp	Action	From	То	Executed by	
3	10/05/12 12:51	Received			SYSTEM	
2	10/05/12 12:51	Replaced			SYSTEM	
2	10/05/12 12:31	Received			SYSTEM	
1	10/05/12 12:31	Replaced			SYSTEM	
1	08/05/12 12:12	Received			SYSTEM	
10/05/12						Page 2/2

New Connectivity Security features

New Optional PIN authentication

New 4-digit PIN codes may be used as an additional (optional) authentication factor.

The PIN code feature can be requested at the customer's Organisation Unit (OU) level. The feature is optional and each customer decides whether they want to use it or not.

Customers who want to use the feature must send an official request to CBL (via Customer Service or their Relationship Officer).

Once the feature is implemented, all CreationOnline users of the customer OU will need to regenerate their credentials. During the credentials generation process, the system will additionally request each user to set up a personal secret PIN code of four digits.

Once done, the PIN code will be requested by the system at each instruction release action and at the user's logon.

The PIN codes entered by users (which must conform to certain criteria) will be controlled by CBL's application server and, in case of three successive failed attempts, the user will be suspended. Once suspended, only an Administrator will be able to reactivate the user.

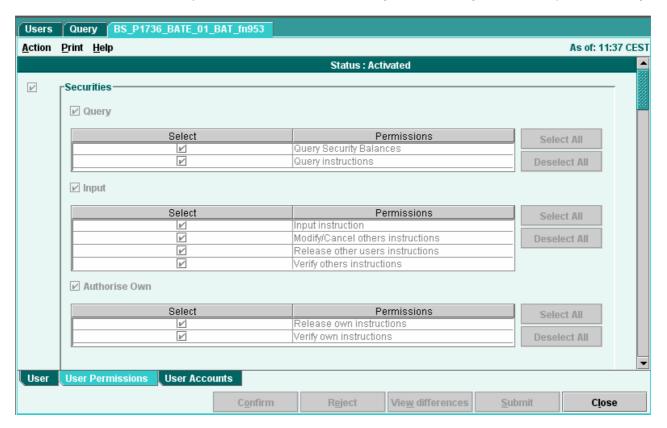
Optional removal of "Authorise own" permission for all users of an OU

Customers may decide as an additional security measure to remove the "Authorise own" feature for all its users, regardless of role. If this feature is selected, the "Verify own" and "Release own" permissions will no longer be accessible for all users of the OU (including administrators and supervisors).

Customers who want to use the feature must send an official request to CBL (via Customer Service or their Relationship Officer).

Modified Display in User Management - User permissions

The display of CreationOnline user permissions has been modified. The "Authorise Own" permissions, which only a Supervisor can have, are now displayed in a separate category to highlight which CreationOnline users may authorise their own actions. There are no functional changes to the associated permissions for users to release and verify their own instructions (Securities, Cash, Triparty collateral and Custody instructions; Free format messages; User Management and Report Scheduling).



Validation of the Certificate for establishing an HTTPS URL connection to CreationOnline by VeriSign™

As part of the installation procedure, each CreationOnline user is currently requested to manually download and import the Clearstream Root CA Certificate into their browsers (as Trusted Root Certification Authority), to guarantee that the HTTPS connection used to access CreationOnline can be trusted by the browser.

We have simplified the CreationOnline installation process, and this procedure will no longer be necessary, as https://www.creationconnect.com is now certified by an external Trusted Certificate Authority.

When accessing CreationOnline, this is directly visible in the browser as the URL www.creationconnect.com displayed in green and showing the secure padlock to indicate that the connection is secure.

For more information on the use of these security features, customers should contact their Customer Service Officer.

3. Investment Funds Services

Clearstream Banking will increase the maximum number of decimal digits for unit quantities of investment fund shares from four (4) to six (6).

This enhancement will apply across all services, including investment fund orders, securities settlement transactions, securities statements, custody statements and CreationOnline.

Note: The maximum number of significant digits (integers plus decimals) for expressing quantities in transactions will remain unchanged at 13.

The number of decimals for each share class (ISIN) is defined in CBL's investment funds reference data and published in the Information Centre on the Clearstream website in the following locations:

- Investment Funds Services / ICSD / Supported Funds / Fund List;
- Market Reference / ICSD / Reference Data / Securities / Fractional shares.

Customers subscribing to Vestima^{DATA} will receive automated updates via daily file transfers. Changes to the number of decimals supported for individual share classes are included in the Vestima^{DATA} fund delta report. For information, please see the Vestima^{DATA} product pages.

Customer benefits

CBL customers will receive improved trading, settlement and asset servicing; for example, in the execution of cash amount orders in fund shares that have high value pricing. This enhancement will allow for further increases to the number of investment fund shares accepted by CBL, which is already at an industry leading position of 95,000 share classes today.

Cutover

The number of decimals for each share class (ISIN) will be updated as and when required by the fund prospectus and the relevant fund-side agents.

4. UK government debt and "bulldog" securities

CBL will enable customers to settle and hold UK government debt and foreign sterling denominated ("bulldog") instruments with a maximum number of two decimal digits. This enhancement will apply across all services, including securities settlement transactions, securities statements and asset services statements.

Customer benefits

CBL customers will benefit from additional flexibility in settlement and asset services.

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