

# Clearstream

## Equities and ETFs – Serving the full life cycle

Service information

### Key benefits

#### Single security pool

Serving all your financial instruments, of course also including your equities and ETFs

#### Support in meeting regulatory requirements

Improved settlement efficiencies across markets and security types resulting in reduced costs under future CSDR SDR thanks to very high settlement efficiency rates and single pool of securities

#### Operational efficiency gains along the custody chain

- Leverage your connectivity to Clearstream to consolidate your provider network and to increase operational processing harmonisation
- Full asset servicing for equities and ETFs, with particular focus on tax and proxy voting services

#### Excellent track record

- 25 years of experience of servicing equities and active contribution to major international working groups
- Equity securities represent around EUR 5 trillion of the total assets under custody (AuC), roughly 35% of our total AuC
- 20 years of active and strong presence in the ETF ecosystem covering the entire lifecycle from issuance to post-trade

#### Global market reach

- Equity services across more than 40 domestic markets worldwide via network of sub-custodians and direct CSD links
- Best-in-class asset servicing with local agents and integrated offering between CSD and ICSD

## Maximising operational efficiency by pooling equities and ETFs

Our industry is facing many new regulatory requirements and market reforms seeking to make the equity markets safer and more efficient. Clearstream provides an integrated suite of services that supports your equity and ETF business in a safe and secure environment.



Servicing equities in 40 markets with a global custody volume of EUR 5 trillion in equities

As leading market infrastructure, Clearstream contributes to the financial markets' stability, efficiency and integrity. Market participants can take advantage of high instrument liquidity and low transaction costs whereas investors benefit from high liquidity and low transaction costs.

Clearstream is best equipped in supporting customers to meet regulatory requirements, such as CSDR Settlement Discipline Regime (SDR) obligations along the entire security transaction lifecycle. This results in improved settlement

efficiencies across markets and security types and therefore reduced costs under the future CSDR SDR.

Best-in-class asset servicing capabilities, such as digitised proxy-voting and tax services for equities support our customers in increasing operational efficiency along the custody chain.

As integral part of Deutsche Börse Group, Clearstream offers easy access to a broad range of services supporting equity trading services delivered by our Deutsche Börse Group sister companies, Xetra and Eurex.

# Servicing equities in the domestic and international markets

## Trade execution

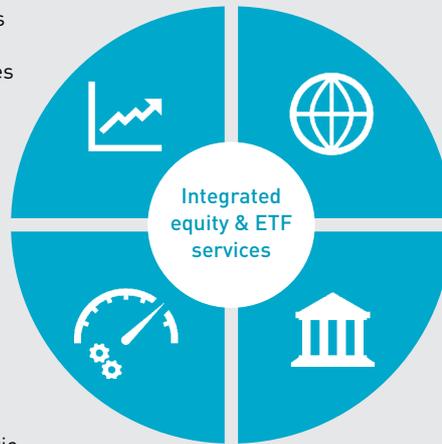
### Easy access

- Trade execution straight into custody offered in partnership with execution brokers across the main global markets for equities
- Clearstream's Vestima OTC platform provides ETF solutions including trading at NAV or market price, DVP settlement, safekeeping and asset servicing

## Settlement and Custody

### Scalable and secure

- Overall, more than 140k corporate action events (of which 35k are equity based) and 23k equity income payments in domestic market securities processed annually
- Competitive settlement and cash deadlines and fails lending programme



## Asset Servicing

### Based locally operating globally

- Delivering maximum domestic market proximity and market expertise in partnership with our local partners
- Harmonised and streamlined withholding tax service with automated and scalable processing capabilities

## Compliance

### Regulatory readiness

- Clearstream can help respond to SDR obligations through newly created Buy-In Agent utility (Eurex STS)
- State-of-the-art proxy voting & disclosure services compliant with SRD II

Clearstream provides an integrated suite of services that supports our customers equity business along the full lifecycle and in a digitised one-stop approach.

## Issuance and Trading

### Easy access

- Integral part of Deutsche Börse Group which offers a **broad range of services** to support equity trading
- **Issuance model with high flexibility** to accommodate ETF issuers servicing ETFs issued within T2S via our CSDs as well as directly within our ICSD
- Linking trade execution to custody via an established solution with UBS KeyTrader platform

## Settlement and Custody

### Scalable and secure

- A **proven track record** of more than 25 years of experience of servicing equities in the domestic and international markets best illustrates Clearstream's expertise and capability in the equities business.

Our services adapt easily to increased activity from new market segments, such as the pension funds and wealth management space

- Highly competitive **securities settlement and cash deadlines**
- Operational risk mitigation thanks to **DVP settlement**
- Comprehensive **fails lending programme**

## Asset Servicing

### Based locally operating globally

- Our pursuit of excellence in asset services encompasses **the full end-to-end lifecycle** of a security. And for us each step of the journey from issuer, through agent, depository, (I)CSD and finally to investor needs equal attention in order to increase efficiency and ultimately reduce risk
- Cooperation with domestic partners to deliver **local market expertise in equities**
- Four asset servicing locations (Frankfurt, Luxembourg, Prague and Singapore) with more than 200 asset services specialists

- Clearstream offers **broad range of tax services** across all markets. Customers benefit from highly automated processing capabilities for operational withholding tax and an optimised withholding tax relief and reclaim process.

## Compliance

### Supporting clients in their regulatory compliance needs

- Clearstream can ensure regulatory compliance for **CSDR Settlement Discipline Regime (SDR)** through newly created Buy-In Agent utility (Eurex STS).

## More information

For more information on these topics, please contact your Relationship Manager.

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