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**New Delivery Versus Payment (DVP) Syndicated New Issues model:
postponement of the implementation date to 14 March 2022**

Dear ICSD Participant, Lead Manager, Settlement Manager, Issuer, Legal Counsel, Paying Agent, Common Depository or Common Service Provider,

The ICSDs announced on 21 April 2021, their intention to implement a new model for the settlement against payment of syndicated distributions by late Q4 2021 - after extensive discussions between both ICSDs, their respective clients, as well as with the wider Primary Market community.

Since then, ensuring the operational readiness of impacted market participants, in particular, Lead Managers, as well as the Common Depository/Common Service Provider community, issuers and legal counsels, has been the focus of the ICSDs. The necessary operational readiness remains a concern for some of the market stakeholders.

After due consideration, the ICSDs have discussed and agreed to postpone the intended launch date to **14 March 2022**. The ICSDs have taken into consideration the potential challenges this timing could create due to high market volumes. We therefore recommend that this launch date be considered when deals are being prepared – in an attempt to limit, (to the extent possible) the number of closings during this launch period.

Important reminder – The ICSDs expect that impacted market participants (Lead Managers, legal counsel etc.) will be ready to adapt their issuance methodologies over the planned migration weekend, to be able to support new issue closings under the new setup. After the migration weekend, it will no longer be possible to close a new syndicated transaction under the current setup.

If you have any comments or questions about the above information or about the new syndicated distribution model, please contact:

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Kind regards,
The ICSDs