Update on LSEDM migration of Oslo Børs equity derivatives business to SIX

Ops Committee

Wednesday 22nd May.



SIX migration update call 10th May

SIX noted all positions need to be transferred prior to the 29th November last trading day.

SIX explained their FIXML technology will be ready for production on 18th June and UAT was in progress.

SIX emphasized the importance for ISVs to know which of their customers want to become SIX members, that ISVs will only initiate development work according to the interest they receive and asked for a transition date from each member.

SIX asked which firms intended to become clearing members of SIX and which are planning to use a carry broker.

It was agreed that the FIA, in conjunction with SIX, will communicate these issues to the EU Ops Committee and ask the Committee to indicate their intentions to SIX.

Clearing firms explained that final decisions on establishing new SIX clearing relationships had not been made as yet due to there being multiple factors to consider and that they are currently exploring their options internally.

All parties acknowledged the issue of position concentrations if only a small number of clearing members transition.

Volumes were discussed along with real-time clearing versus if a once per day flat file solution would be sufficient. It was agreed that a FIXML solution is required hence the need for guidance from CMs in order to justify the investment. Timelines for KYC for SIX, API readiness, ISV software readiness and CM UAT were discussed.

SIX requested that CMs inform them of their intentions in two weeks from the date of the call (24th May).



Message from SIX & OB to Ops Committee

"Dear all

As you aware, LSE and LCH have extended the withdrawal date for Norwegian derivatives to 29 November 2019. The extension was granted to allow more time for members and software vendors to complete the migration of open interest to SIX x-clear in an orderly manner.

In addition to the extension from LSE and LCH, Oslo Bors and SIX x-clear have extended their contractual commitment to 1st January 2022 at the very least, meaning that SIX x-clear will be the sole clearing house for Norwegian derivatives from 29 November 2019 until this date.

SIX x-clear has continued with developing a new FIXML API which is targeted for production availability in mid-June 2019.

Software vendors are also aligned with the new date but do require members to commit to clearing at SIX x-clear in order to commission the development required.

SIX x-clear is strongly advising members that have not committed to a migration plan with SIX x-clear, to do so by 31st May 2019 in order to be sure of meeting the 29 November deadline.

Members that provide a migration plan post May 2019 will be assisted on a best effort basis by x-clear.

Best regards

Gurinder"



SIX & OB continuation of clearing statements

Statement issued by Oslo Børs on 08/03/2019:

"Oslo Børs has renewed the agreement with SIX x-clear to further commit to the derivatives partnership."

SIX x-clear is the designated CCP for clearing of derivatives traded at Oslo Børs. Today the two parties signed an extension of the existing contract. The agreement is continuous with earliest possible termination 1 January 2022."

https://www.oslobors.no/ob_eng/Oslo-Boers/About-Oslo-Boers/News-from-Oslo-Boers/Oslo-Boers-renews-agreement-with-SIX-x-clear

SIX statement on extension of clearing agreement with Oslo Børs issued on 26/04/2019:

"As announced in March 2019, SIX x-clear has extended its agreement with Oslo Børs. The agreement ensures that x-clear will remain the designated CCP for Oslo Børs derivatives until at least January 2022."

https://www.six-group.com/securities-services/dam/downloads/clearing/frontlines/2019/clr-fl-190426-oslo-lse-derivates.pdf

Euronext shareholders unanimously approved acquisition of Oslo Børs on 16 May 2019

https://www.euronext.com/en



