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INTRODUCTION OF REVISED SERIES POLICY FOR INDIVIDUAL EQUITY OPTION CONTRACTS

Executive summary

This Notice informs members of a revised policy for the introduction of series in relation to French Individual Equity Option Contracts.

1. On and from Monday 23 April 2007, Euronext.liffe will introduce a revised policy for the introduction of series in relation to all French Individual Equity Option contracts available for trading on the Paris central order book (American-style and European-style). This change will improve the granularity of exercise prices available for trading. Other equity options contract specifications remain unchanged.
2. Currently the strike price intervals for French Individual Equity Option contracts are standardised and determined in euro intervals depending on the remaining lifetime of the expiry month.

Expiry months will be considered as follows:

- Short-term: 1, 2 or 3 months remaining lifetime
 - Mid-term: 6, 9 or 12 months remaining lifetime
 - Long-term: 18, 24, 36, 48 or 60 months remaining lifetime
3. The same strike price interval will be implemented on American and European option style.

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4. On and from Monday 23 April 2007, new strike prices intervals (interval A, B, C and D) will be used when a strike price is introduced:

Individual Equity Options Interval Scheme denominated in Euro					
	Exercise Prices in EUR	Interval Scales in EUR			
		Scale A	Scale B	Scale C	Scale D
1	0.10 - < 5.00	0.10	0.20	0.40	0.80
2	5.00 - < 10.00	0.20	0.40	0.80	2.00
3	10.00 - < 25.00	0.50	1.00	2.00	4.00
4	25.00 - < 50.00	1.00	2.00	4.00	8.00
5	50.00 - < 100.00	2.00	4.00	8.00	20.00
6	100.00 - < 200.00	5.00	10.00	20.00	40.00
7	200.00 - < 400.00	10.00	20.00	40.00	80.00
8	≥ 400.00	20.00	40.00	80.00	200.00

5. Subsequent to an expiry month being initially listed, the minimum number of series per expiry month will be as follows:

≤ 3 months to expiry

For expiry months with a remaining lifetime of up to and including 3 months:

Interval Scale A: used for 3 strikes prices around the money.

Interval Scale B: used for 6 other strikes prices.

> 3 to ≤ 12 months to expiry

For expiry months with a remaining lifetime exceeding 3 months and up to and including 12 months:

Interval Scale B: used for 3 strikes prices around the money

Interval Scale C: used for 6 other strike prices

> 12 to ≤ 36 months to expiry

For expiry months with a remaining lifetime exceeding 12 months and up to and including 36 months:

Interval Scale C: used for 1 at the money strike price

Interval Scale D: used for 4 other strike prices

> 36 months to expiry

For expiry months with a remaining lifetime exceeding 36 months:

Interval Scale D: used for 5 strike prices

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The following tables provide a summary of the exercise prices per expiry month at the time of listing:

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- A price established on a trading day (T) will be the reference used to determine the introduction of additional series on the next trading day (T+1) to have at least the minimum number of in- and out-of-the-money series listed.

For further information in relation to this Bulletin, members should contact Equity Product Management Paris (+33 1.49.27.59.64) or their Account Manager at Euronext.liffe.

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