

## AMSTERDAM NOTICE No. 08/002

### Amsterdam market

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### Introduction of options on ETFs/Trackers

#### Executive summary

Liffe hereby announces that trading in options on ETFs/Trackers will start on 18 February 2008. Further details are provided below.

1. Liffe will launch options on iShares ETFs on the Amsterdam derivatives market. The ISX option (symbol: ISX), whose underlying is the iShares DJ EuroStoxx 50 ETF, starts trading on 18 February 2008 (see appendix 1 for contract specifications). The new option class will be introduced as a new ECC, although it should be noted that no other option classes will be added to the ECC<sup>1</sup>.
2. Expiry months with the following initial lifetimes will be available for trading: 1, 2 and 3 months (monthly cycle) and 6 months (March, June, September, December cycle).
3. The series policy for the introduction of exercise prices per expiry month and the applicable series intervals will follow the policy for Individual Equity Option Contracts.
4. The minimum number of series that will be introduced per expiry month depends on the remaining lifetime of the expiry month. The minimum number of in-the-money ("ITM"), at-the-money ("ATM") and out-of-the-money ("OTM") series initially introduced for short-term and mid-term expiry months will be as follows:

4.1. short-term	- 1, 2 and 3 months	- 3 ITM + 1 ATM <sup>2</sup> + 3 OTM
4.2. mid-term	- 6 months	- 2 ITM + 1 ATM <sup>2</sup> + 2 OTM

<sup>1</sup> New classes may be introduced in this particular ECC after a corporate action. Although this is not strictly speaking an ECC as it does not consist of a combination of classes, the term ECC is used in order to ensure consistent use of terminology.

<sup>2</sup> The option series whose price differs the least from the price of the underlying is considered to be the at-the-money series. There will be no at-the-money series in a situation where the market price of the underlying security is exactly halfway between two series.

5. The interval scales of the exercise prices and more details concerning the series policy for Individual Equity Option Contracts can be found in Amsterdam Notice 07/006.
6. Liffe will select up to three PMMs and nine CMMs for the new ECC on the basis of applications received. Members are invited to apply for positions, specifying the specific obligation level they wish to take on. The available obligation levels are determined by Liffe.
7. Trading fee:
  - 7.1. The trading fee charged for Individual Equity Options will also be charged for the options on ETFs/Trackers.
  - 7.2. Liffe will offer liquidity providers in the ISX option a fee holiday from the date of introduction to 1 September 2008. In this period the trading fee for liquidity providers will be zero.
8. The obligations and benefits of liquidity providers are described in the ELPS V – October 2007 document, which is available on our website ([www.euronext.com/elps](http://www.euronext.com/elps)). On the same page you will also find the document “Selection procedure for ELPS Amsterdam - New listings”, which contains details of the auction process and the obligation levels that will be used in the auction. Please note that this selection procedure differs from the one used for existing classes.
9. The liquidity provider agreement will be valid from 18 February 2008 up to and including 23 April 2009.
10. The selection procedure for the new ECC will start at 09:30 CET on 5 February 2008. If you wish to participate in the auction, please complete the enclosed form and fax the form to Quality of Derivative Markets (+31 (0)20 550 5101) by 17:00 CET on 1 February 2008.
11. If you have any questions about the ELPS V document, the selection procedure or obligation levels, please contact our sales and account management department on +31 (0)20 550 5315, or send an email to [derivativesamsterdam@euronext.com](mailto:derivativesamsterdam@euronext.com). Your account manager can also provide you with copies of all the documents referred to in this notice.

## Appendix 1

### Contract specifications for options on iShares

**The contract specifications for ISX options are as follows:**

Product name/Symbol	ISX
Underlying value	iShares DJ EuroStoxx 50 ETF
Contract size	100 shares
Trading unit	100
Pricing unit	1
Currency	Euro
Option price	Premium x trading unit
Minimum price move	€ 0.05
Trading hours	09:01 – 17:30 CET
Option style	American
Expiry months	- Initial lifetime: 1, 2 and 3 months Cycle: every month - Initial lifetime: 6 months Cycle: March, June, September, December
Last day of trading	Until 17:30 CET on the third Friday of each expiry month, provided this is a business day. If not, the last day of trading shall be the last business day preceding the third Friday in the expiry month.
Settlement	Delivery of 100 shares through the settlement system of LCH.Clearnet S.A.
Clearing organization	LCH.Clearnet S.A.
SPAN margin parameters	As determined by LCH.Clearnet S.A.
Security code	44501
ISIN	IE0008471009

**Application for role as Euronext liquidity provider (ELPS V)**

This is the application form for the ELPS V selection procedure. Please complete the next page if you wish to apply for a role as liquidity provider role in ELPS V. The form consists of two sections.

Section 1: This section is mandatory. Please note that the information you provide will be used for the selection procedure and that the persons mentioned must be available during the procedure.

Section 2: Use this section to indicate if you wish to apply for a PMM or CMM role.

**Please fax this form to our quality of derivative markets department in Amsterdam (+31 (0)20 550 5101) by 17:00 CET on 1 February 2008.**

**Application for role as Euronext liquidity provider (ELPS V)**

**Section 1**

Company: -----  
Member mnemonic: -----  
Representative 1: -----  
Telephone number 1: -----  
Email address 1: -----  
Fax number: -----  
Representative 2: -----  
Telephone number 2: -----  
Email address 2: -----  
Clearing member: -----

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**Section 2**

The above-mentioned member hereby applies for the position as<sup>1</sup>:

- PMM in the ISX ECC
  - CMM in the ISX ECC
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Signature of authorised representative

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Company name

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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<sup>1</sup> Please mark as applicable. If you mark both boxes (PMM and CMM) you will be included in the selection procedure for CMMs if you are not selected as a PMM.