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SGX Launches Asia's First Portfolio Compression Service for Listed Derivatives

Singapore Exchange (SGX) is the first exchange in Asia to extend a portfolio compression service from over-the-counter (OTC) products to listed derivatives. The service is launched in collaboration with Capitalab, a division of BGC Brokers LP, an entity within the BGC Partners, Inc. (NASDAQ: BGCP) group of companies.

Michael Syn, Head of Derivatives at SGX, said; "SGX and Capitalab are responding to market participants' need for an efficient service to optimise their outstanding positions with increased capital and cost savings. In 2014, SGX was the first Asian exchange to run compression on OTC derivatives. Today, we are again leading the way by extending portfolio compression onto listed Asian derivatives."

David Bachelier, co-founder of Capitalab, says; "We are delighted to enter the equity derivatives space, where we believe there is much to be done in optimisation of notional exposures and margins. This first execution in a new asset class celebrates Capitalab's innovative DNA in collaboration with SGX and our clients."

SGX is offering portfolio compression of the listed Nikkei suite of contracts comprising the SGX Nikkei 225 Index Options, SGX Nikkei 225 Index Futures and SGX Mini Nikkei 225 Index Futures.

Portfolio compression is a risk-reduction technique that enables participants to lower capital costs and reduce open positions of derivatives that carry some of the highest cost of capital per unit of notional exposure in the industry. The service has been widely used by participants in the OTC derivatives markets. During the period 2014-2017, SGX ran compression exercises for its OTC financial derivatives tearing up a total of US\$135 billion which is equivalent to 39% of outstanding positions.

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About Singapore Exchange

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About Capitalab

Capitalab, a division of BGC Brokers L.P., provides compression services that are designed to bring greater capital and operational efficiency to the global derivatives market. It assists clients in managing the growing cost of holding derivatives, while helping them to meet their regulatory mandates. Through the Swaptioniser[®] service for portfolio compression of Interest Rate Swaptions, Interest Rate Swaps, Caps and Floors and FX Options, as well as Initial Margin Optimisation service and fully automated trade processing, Capitalab looks to simplify the complexities of managing large quantities of derivatives to promote sustainable growth and lower systemic risk and to improve resiliency in the industry. The Capitalab brand is part of Fenics's fully electronic family of brands. BGC Brokers L.P. is authorised and regulated by the UK Financial Conduct Authority and is based in London. BGC Brokers LP is a subsidiary of BGC Partners, Inc. (NASDAQ: BGCP), a leading global brokerage and financial technology company.

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