This report has been prepared by Goldman Sachs International ("GSI") for the period ending 31 December 2017 (the "Reporting Period") for the purposes of meeting Goldman Sachs' regulatory obligations under Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/576 ("MiFID II") which requires Goldman Sachs to annually publish (i) the top five venues where it executed clients orders; and (ii) the top five firms to whom it transmitted or placed client orders for execution, in respect of each class of financial instruments noted below. This report also provides information on Goldman Sachs' assessment of the quality of execution it obtained from these execution venues and firms (based on its internal monitoring), for each class of financial instruments.

Please note that information for the Reporting Period has been collated based on the regulatory obligations that applied to Goldman Sachs, its affiliates, brokers and execution venues during that time. In respect of Goldman Sachs and other financial institutions to whom MiFID II applies, those regulatory obligations were different to those that apply to them now and pursuant to which this report has been prepared. Consequently, there are certain sections in this report for which information required under MiFID II for the Reporting Period (i) was not available; (ii) was only available partly; or (iii) was available in a different format. As a result this report has been prepared on a best efforts basis only. The assumptions and available information used to prepare this report may result in inconsistencies in information across asset classes presented herein or, in the case of SFTs, no data being presented and therefore may not accurately reflect the trading activities undertaken by Goldman Sachs during 2017. Please also note that the assumptions and methodologies used to produce this report may not be used for the preparation of future reports.

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### **Equities Shares & Depositary Receipts**

Reporting Entity: GSI Top Five Venue Report

Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument	Equities Shares & Depositary	Equities Shares & Depositary Receipts					
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N						
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	· · ·	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders		
XLON - LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE	15.90	15.90	N/A	N/A	N/A		
CHIX - CBOE EUROPE - CXE ORDER BOOKS	12.90	31.50	N/A	N/A	N/A		
BATE - CBOE EUROPE -BXE ORDER BOOKS	12.10	5.40	N/A	N/A	N/A		
XETA - XETRA - REGULIERTER MARKT	11.80	5.10	N/A	N/A	N/A		
XPAR - EURONEXT - EURONEXT PARIS	9.00	6.00	N/A	N/A	N/A		

Top Five Broker Report

Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

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Class of Instrument	Equities Shares & Depositary Receipts*						
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N	N					
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending	Proportion of volume traded	Proportion of orders	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive	Percentage of directed		
order)	as a percentage of total in	executed as percentage of		orders	orders		
	that class	total in that class					
549300VXHFB1JDHP7C26 - SANTANDER INVESTMENT BOLSA SOCIEDAD DE	25.30	17.20	N/A	N/A	N/A		
/ALORES SA	23.30	17.20	N/A	N/A	N/A		
FOR8UP27PHTHYVLBNG30 - GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. LLC	18.50	43.70	N/A	N/A	N/A		
OK80F27F111111VLBING30 - GOLDIVIAN SACIIS & CO. LLC	18.50	43.70	IV/A	N/A	N/A		
213800TFSEDK4Y98VZ05 - AURIGA GLOBAL INVESTORS, SOCIEDAD DE VALORES,	9.20	3.80	N/A	N/A	N/A		
5.A.	9.20	3.80	N/A	N/A	IN/A		
213800EEC95PRUCEUP63 - INVESTMENT TECHNOLOGY GROUP LIMITED	8.60	2.10	N/A	N/A	N/A		
213600LLC33FNOCLOF03 - INVESTIVIENT TECHNOLOGY GNOOP LIMITED	8.00	2.10	IV/A	IN/A	IN/A		
GDI8P8WHFH4PS5YTU851 - HAITONG BANK, S.A.	7.20	9.10	N/A	N/A	N/A		
DIOPOWNTHAPSSTIUOSE - HAITUNG DANK, S.A.	7.20	9.10	N/A	IN/A	IN/A		

\*GSI uses brokers, including affiliate brokers, to access equities markets for which it does not have a direct membership itself. The list of brokers reflects this, in particular the use of Santander to access the Spanish stock exchange and GSCO, our US affiliate, to access US execution venues.

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When assessing the relative importance given to execution factors, GS will take into account the following criteria for determining the relative importance of the execution factors in the circumstances:

- the characteristics of the client including the regulatory categorisation of the client;
- the characteristics of the relevant order;
- the characteristics of financial instruments that are the subject of the relevant order; and
- the characteristics of the execution venue to which that relevant order can be directed.

Subject to any specific instructions, taking into account the criteria above, GS will generally give the highest priority to:

- price and likelihood of execution and settlement for professional clients. The remaining execution factors, to the extent applicable, are generally given equal ranking; or • total consideration for retail clients. Notwithstanding any asset-class specific requirements, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the relevant order, market impact and any other implicit
- transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the retail client.

We may prioritise one or more of the other execution factors if: (i) there is insufficient immediately available liquidity on the relevant execution venues to execute the relevant order in full; or (ii) where a client instructs us to work a relevant order over a period of time or by reference to a benchmark calculated over a period of time (such as VWAP); or (iii) we determine that there are other circumstances such that obtaining the best immediately available price may not be the best possible result for the client. In these cases, we will determine the relative priority of each execution factor on an order-by-order basis, where the order is executed manually, and by order type (e.g. iceberg, VWAP), where the order is executed using an algorithm.

We have a degree of discretion in how to apply the different execution factors and this may result in a range of different permissible approaches to executing client orders.

Topic 2: a description of any close links, conflicts of interests, and common ownerships with respect to any execution venues used to execute orders;

Goldman Sachs and persons connected with Goldman Sachs provide diversified financial services to a broad range of clients and counterparties and circumstances may arise in which Goldman Sachs may have a conflict of interest.

Goldman Sachs International (GS) is a member of the Goldman Sachs group of companies. The Securities Division of GS may execute transactions in certain asset classes with or through affiliated entities. Execution quality received from affiliated entities is subject to the same monitoring and assessment applied to third party entities and execution venues utilized by GS for execution of client orders.

GS has close links and/or common ownership with respect to the following entities:

SIGMA X MTF – GS is under common ownership with Goldman Sachs International Bank which operates SIGMA X MTF, a multilateral trading facility for trading in European equity and equity-like instruments. SIGMA X MTF is operated on an independent and segregated basis to other Goldman Sachs businesses. GS is itself one of several trading participants on SIGMA X MTF. For further information on SIGMA X MTF please visit the SIGMA X MTF website at http://gset.gs.com/sigmaxmtf/

In addition, Goldman Sachs Group entities may have (i) minor, non-controlling ownership stakes in companies which operate or own execution venues and/or; (ii) be founding consortia members of execution venues for which it has revenue share arrangements, which GS may use to execute orders on behalf of clients in certain financial instruments, including

- BIDS Holdings L.P.
- CHX Holdings, Inc.
- Chi-X Global Holdings LLC
- SBI Japannext Co., Ltd.
- National Stock Exchange of India Limited
- Turquoise Global Holdings Limited
- Tradeweb LLC

Our decision to route orders to a particular venue for execution is determined by whether execution on such venues allows us to satisfy our best execution obligations and is not influenced by any such ownership or revenue share

### arrangements.

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In addition to the information provided above, please note that the Private Wealth Management Division also utilizes a number of different execution venues to execute client orders. The Private Wealth Management Division may, depending on the asset class or financial instrument:

- rely on the Securities Division for the selection and ongoing review of execution venues (this ongoing review is in addition to the monitoring and oversight of order execution arrangements conducted by the Private Wealth Management Division);
- have determined that it can consistently achieve the best results for its clients using a single execution venue and that this single execution venue may be the Securities Division or other GS affiliates.

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Topic 3: a description of any specific arrangements with any execution venues regarding payments made or received, discounts, rebates or non-monetary benefits received;

Some Execution Venues may offer differing fee plans to trading members depending on the volume and nature/type of a trading activity on the venue as well as fee discounts depending on average volume of trading undertaken. Such arrangements apply equally to all trading members who satisfy the relevant criteria under the Execution Venues rules. Information on such arrangements is publically available on the relevant Execution Venues website. Our decision to route orders to a particular venue for execution is determined by whether execution on such venues allows us to satisfy our best execution obligations and is not influenced by any such fee structures or volume discounts.

Topic 4: an explanation of the factors that led to a change in the list of execution venues listed in the firm's execution policy, if such a change occurred;

GS maintains internal procedures for the selection of Brokers, Trading Venues and other Execution Venues, both at the stage of on-boarding and throughout the relationship, in order to satisfy ourselves that those selections enable us to obtain best execution on a consistent basis. These procedures include undertaking due diligence and regular assessments of execution quality.

In response to evolving market structure and client demand GS frequently evaluates existing and new execution venues. As result of the latest market structure changes GS has added a variety of new execution venues. As part of our regular evaluation of execution venues GS reviews a variety of execution performance metrics, including addressable liquidity, fill rate, mark-outs and latency.

Topic 5: an explanation of how order execution differs according to client categorisation, where the firm treats categories of clients differently and where it may affect the order execution arrangements;

A client's regulatory categorisation is an important factor both in the assessment of whether the client is relying on GS to deliver best execution and in providing best execution.

The starting presumption is that retail clients do legitimately rely on GS to protect their interests in relation to pricing and other elements of the transaction that may be affected by the choice made by GS in executing the relevant order (i.e. GS owes a duty of best execution to retail clients) and professional clients do not legitimately rely on GS to protect their interests; however, these presumptions may be revised depending on the application of the four-fold test for determining legitimate reliance (set out below) to the particular circumstances of GS' interaction with the client and how the market operates for the relevant product.

#### Legitimate Reliance:

To determine whether a client is legitimately relying on GS to protect its interests, the following factors are considered:

- which party initiates the transaction where GS approaches the client and suggests that the client should enter into a transaction, it is more likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS. Where the client initiates the transaction it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS;
- market practice and the existence of a convention to 'shop around' where the practice in the market in which a business area operates suggests that the client takes responsibility for the pricing and other elements of the transaction (e.g. there is a market convention to "shop around" for a quote), it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS;
- the relative levels of price transparency within a market if GS has ready access to prices in the market in which we operate and the client does not, it is more likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS. If GS's access to pricing transparency is equal or similar to the client's, it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS; and
- the information provided by GS and any agreement reached where GS's arrangements and agreements with the client do not indicate or suggest a relationship of reliance, it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS.

#### **Execution Factors**

Subject to any specific instructions, GS will generally give the highest priority to:

- net price for professional clients; or
- total consideration for retail clients. Notwithstanding any of the asset-class specific requirements, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the relevant order, market impact and any other implicit transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the retail client.

Under applicable law and regulation GS is not obliged to provide best execution when it executes orders on behalf of eligible counterparties.

Topic 6: an explanation of whether other criteria were given precedence over immediate price and cost when executing retail client orders and how these other criteria were instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the client;

Subject to any specific instructions, GS will generally give the highest priority to total consideration for its retail clients. Notwithstanding any of the asset-class specific requirements, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the relevant order, market impact and any other implicit transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the retail client.

If GS receives an order from a retail client that includes a specific instruction or specific instructions in relation to the handling and execution of the entire order or a particular aspect or aspects of an order (including selecting a particular execution venue, executing at a particular price or time or through the use of a particular strategy) then, subject to GS's legal and regulatory obligations, GS will execute the retail client's order in accordance with that specific instruction. Where the specific instruction covers only a portion of an order (for example, as to the choice of execution venue), and GS has discretion over the execution of other elements of the order, then GS will continue to be subject to the best execution obligation in respect of the elements of the order that are not covered by the client's specific instruction.

Topic 7: an explanation of how the investment firm has used any data or tools relating to the quality of execution, including any data published under RTS 27;

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Topic 8: where applicable, an explanation of how the investment firm has used output of a consolidated tape provider established under Article 65 of Directive 2014/65/EU;

### Debt instruments: (i) Bonds

Reporting Entity: GSI Top Five Venue Report

Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument	Debt instruments: (i) Bonds						
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N						
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders		
W22LROWP2IHZNBB6K528 - (GS) GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL*	61.90	72.30	N/A	N/A	N/A		
TREU - TRADEWEB EUROPE LIMITED	27.50	22.40	N/A	N/A	N/A		
XLON - LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE	7.50	1.70	N/A	N/A	N/A		
BOND - BONDVISION ITALIA	3.10	3.60	N/A	N/A	N/A		

Top Five Broker Report

Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument	Debt instruments: (i) Bonds							
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N	N						
op five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending rder)	_	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders			
OR8UP27PHTHYVLBNG30 - GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. LLC	100.00	100.00	N/A	N/A	N/A			

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- the characteristics of the client including the regulatory categorisation of the client;
- the characteristics of the relevant order;
- the characteristics of financial instruments that are the subject of the relevant order; and
- the characteristics of the execution venue to which that relevant order can be directed.

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- net price for professional clients; or
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In addition, Goldman Sachs Group entities may have (i) minor, non-controlling ownership stakes in companies which operate or own execution venues and/or; (ii) be founding consortia members of execution venues for which it has revenue share arrangements, which GS may use to execute orders on behalf of clients in certain financial instruments, including

Tradeweb LLC

Our decision to route orders to a particular venue for execution is determined by whether execution on such venues allows us to satisfy our best execution obligations and is not influenced by any such ownership or revenue share arrangements.

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There has been no change to the execution venues listed in GS' execution policy for the reporting period.

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### Legitimate Reliance:

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### Debt instruments: (ii) Money markets instruments

Reporting Entity: GSI

Top Five Venue Report

Type of Client: Professional Client

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Class of Instrument	Debt instruments: (ii) Money markets instruments						
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XLON - LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE	1.20	1.30	N/A	N/A	N/A		

Top Five Broker Report

Type of Client: Professional Client

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Class of Instrument  Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year  Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending	Debt instruments: (ii) Money markets instruments  N  Proportion of volume traded Proportion of orders Percentage of passive orders Percentage of aggressive Percentage of directed proportion of volume traded Proportion of orders Percentage of passive orders Percentage of aggressive Percentage of directed proportion of volume traded Proportion of orders Percentage of passive orders Percentage of aggressive Percentage of directed proportion of volume traded Proportion of volume traded Proportion of orders Percentage of passive orders Percentage of aggressive Percentage of directed proportion of volume traded Proportion of volume traded Proportion of orders Percentage of passive orders Percentage of aggressive Percentage of directed proportion of volume traded Proportion of volum						
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Goldman Sachs International (GS) is a member of the Goldman Sachs group of companies. The Securities Division of GS may execute transactions in certain asset classes with or through affiliated entities. Execution quality received from affiliated entities is subject to the same monitoring and assessment applied to third party entities and execution venues utilized by GS for execution of client orders.

In addition, Goldman Sachs Group entities may have (i) minor, non-controlling ownership stakes in companies which operate or own execution venues and/or; (ii) be founding consortia members of execution venues for which it has revenue share arrangements, which GS may use to execute orders on behalf of clients in certain financial instruments, including

# • Tradeweb LLC

Our decision to route orders to a particular venue for execution is determined by whether execution on such venues allows us to satisfy our best execution obligations and is not influenced by any such ownership or revenue share arrangements.

For further details on the execution venues used by the Securities Division and its conflicts of interest policy, please refer to the Securities Division's best execution summary which is available at: http://www.goldmansachs.com/disclosures/mifid/

In addition to the information provided above, please note that the Private Wealth Management Division also utilizes a number of different execution venues to execute client orders. The Private Wealth Management Division may, depending on the asset class or financial instrument:

• rely on the Securities Division for the selection and ongoing review of execution venues (this ongoing review is in addition to the monitoring and oversight of order execution arrangements conducted by the Private Wealth Management Division);

nagement Division);

• have determined that it can consistently achieve the best results for its clients using a single execution venue and that this single execution venue may be the Securities Division or other GS affiliates.

For further details on the execution venues used by the Private Wealth Management Division and its conflicts of interest policy, please refer to Private Wealth Management Division's best execution summary which is available at: http://www.goldmansachs.com/disclosures/mifid/

Topic 3: a description of any specific arrangements with any execution venues regarding payments made or received, discounts, rebates or non-monetary benefits received;

Some Execution Venues may offer differing fee plans to trading members depending on the volume and nature/type of a trading activity on the venue as well as fee discounts depending on average volume of trading undertaken. Such arrangements apply equally to all trading members who satisfy the relevant criteria under the Execution Venues rules. Information on such arrangements is publically available on the relevant Execution Venues website. Our decision to route orders to a particular venue for execution is determined by whether execution on such venues allows us to satisfy our best execution obligations and is not influenced by any such fee structures or volume discounts.

Topic 4: an explanation of the factors that led to a change in the list of execution venues listed in the firm's execution policy, if such a change occurred;

There has been no change to the execution venues listed in GS' execution policy for the reporting period.

5. Topic 5: an explanation of how order execution differs according to client categorisation, where the firm treats categories of clients differently and where it may affect the order execution arrangements;

A client's regulatory categorisation is an important factor both in the assessment of whether the client is relying on GS to deliver best execution and in providing best execution.

The starting presumption is that retail clients do legitimately rely on GS to protect their interests in relation to pricing and other elements of the transaction that may be affected by the choice made by GS in executing the relevant

order (i.e. GS owes a duty of best execution to retail clients) and professional clients do not legitimately rely on GS to protect their interests; however, these presumptions may be revised depending on the application of the four-fold test for determining legitimate reliance (set out below) to the particular circumstances of GS' interaction with the client and how the market operates for the relevant product.

#### Legitimate Reliance:

To determine whether a client is legitimately relying on GS to protect its interests, the following factors are considered:

- which party initiates the transaction where GS approaches the client and suggests that the client should enter into a transaction, it is more likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS. Where the client initiates the transaction it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS;
- market practice and the existence of a convention to 'shop around' where the practice in the market in which a business area operates suggests that the client takes responsibility for the pricing and other elements of the transaction (e.g. there is a market convention to "shop around" for a quote), it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS;
- the relative levels of price transparency within a market if GS has ready access to prices in the market in which we operate and the client does not, it is more likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS. If GS's access to pricing transparency is equal or similar to the client's, it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS; and
- the information provided by GS and any agreement reached where GS's arrangements and agreements with the client do not indicate or suggest a relationship of reliance, it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS.

### **Execution Factors**

Subject to any specific instructions, GS will generally give the highest priority to:

- net price for professional clients; or
- total consideration for retail clients. Notwithstanding any of the asset-class specific requirements, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the relevant order, market impact and any other implicit transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the retail client.

Under applicable law and regulation GS is not obliged to provide best execution when it executes orders on behalf of eligible counterparties.

6. Topic 6: an explanation of whether other criteria were given precedence over immediate price and cost when executing retail client orders and how these other criteria were instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the client;

Subject to any specific instructions, GS will generally give the highest priority to total consideration for its retail clients. Notwithstanding any of the asset-class specific requirements, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the relevant order, market impact and any other implicit transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the retail client.

If GS receives an order from a retail client that includes a specific instruction or specific instructions in relation to the handling and execution of the entire order or a particular aspect or aspects of an order (including selecting a particular execution venue, executing at a particular price or time or through the use of a particular strategy) then, subject to GS's legal and regulatory obligations, GS will execute the retail client's order in accordance with that specific instruction. Where the specific instruction covers only a portion of an order (for example, as to the choice of execution venue), and GS has discretion over the execution of other elements of the order, then GS will continue to be subject to the best execution obligation in respect of the elements of the order that are not covered by the client's specific instruction.

7. Topic 7: an explanation of how the investment firm has used any data or tools relating to the quality of execution, including any data published under RTS 27;

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8. Topic 8: where applicable, an explanation of how the investment firm has used output of a consolidated tape provider established under Article 65 of Directive 2014/65/EU;

### Interest rates derivatives: (i) Futures and options admitted to trading on a trading venue

Reporting Entity: GSI									
Top Five Venue Report									
Type of Client: Professional Client									
Reporting Entity: GSI									
Class of Instrument	Interest rates derivatives: (i) F	utures and options admitted to	o trading on a trading venue*						
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N				l				
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)		Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders		Percentage of directed orders				
XEUR - EUREX	89.60	66.60	N/A	N/A	N/A				
IFLL - ICE FUTURES EUROPE - FINANCIAL PRODUCTS DIVISION	10.40	33.40	N/A	N/A	N/A				
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Top Five Broker Report

Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument	Interest rates derivatives: (i) F	Interest rates derivatives: (i) Futures and options admitted to trading on a trading venue						
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Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N/A							
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending	Proportion of volume traded	Proportion of orders	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive	Percentage of directed			
order)	as a percentage of total in	executed as percentage of		orders	orders			
	that class	total in that class						
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
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N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			

\*For this asset class, typically the product is only tradeable on its venue of listing and therefore venue selection will be driven by the instrument the client wishes to trade. The execution venue data is therefore a reflection of the venues for the products clients typically trade within this asset class

Topic 1: an explanation of the relative importance the firm gave to the execution factors of price, costs, speed, likelihood of execution or any other consideration including qualitative factors when assessing the quality of execution;

When assessing the relative importance given to execution factors, Goldman Sachs International ("GS") will take into account the following criteria for determining the relative importance of the execution factors in the circumstances:

- the characteristics of the client including the regulatory categorisation of the client;
- the characteristics of the relevant order;
- the characteristics of financial instruments that are the subject of the relevant order; and
- the characteristics of the execution venue to which that relevant order can be directed.

For this asset class, instruments are typically traded only on the execution venue of their listing and therefore client orders in the instrument will determine the execution venue. Subject to any specific instructions, taking into account the criteria above, the ranking of execution factors would typically be as follows:

- price; and
- likelihood of execution and settlement.

The remaining execution factors, to the extent applicable, are generally given equal ranking.

For further information on GS' best execution arrangements please refer to the relevant summaries which are available at: http://www.goldmansachs.com/disclosures/mifid/

Topic 2: a description of any close links, conflicts of interests, and common ownerships with respect to any execution venues used to execute orders;

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- Nasdaq NFX
- TradX

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Topic 4: an explanation of the factors that led to a change in the list of execution venues listed in the firm's execution policy, if such a change occurred;

There has been no change to the execution venues listed in GS' execution policy for the reporting period.

Topic 5: an explanation of how order execution differs according to client categorisation, where the firm treats categories of clients differently and where it may affect the order execution arrangements;

A client's regulatory categorisation is an important factor both in the assessment of whether the client is relying on GS to deliver best execution and in providing best execution.

The starting presumption is that professional clients do not legitimately rely on GS to protect their interests; however, these presumptions may be revised depending on the application of the four-fold test for determining legitimate reliance (set out below) to the particular circumstances of GS' interaction with the client and how the market operates for the relevant product.

Legitimate Reliance:

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  - the information provided by GS and any agreement reached where GS's arrangements and agreements with the client do not indicate or suggest a relationship of reliance, it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance

on GS.

**Execution Factors** 

Subject to any specific instructions, GS will generally give the highest priority to:

net price for professional clients

Under applicable law and regulation GS is not obliged to provide best execution when it executes orders on behalf of eligible counterparties.

Topic 6: an explanation of whether other criteria were given precedence over immediate price and cost when executing retail client orders and how these other criteria were instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the client;

Not applicable as Goldman Sachs International does not have retail clients for which it executes orders in this asset class.

Topic 7: an explanation of how the investment firm has used any data or tools relating to the quality of execution, including any data published under RTS 27;

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8. Topic 8: where applicable, an explanation of how the investment firm has used output of a consolidated tape provider established under Article 65 of Directive 2014/65/EU;

### Interest rates derivatives: (ii) Swaps, forwards, and other interest rates derivatives

Reporting Entity: GSI
Top Five Venue Report
Type of Client: Professional Client

Type of Client: Professional Client Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument	Interest rates derivatives: (ii) Swaps, forwards, and other Interest rate derivatives*					
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N					
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	_	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders		Percentage of directed orders	
V22LROWP2IHZNBB6K528 - (GS) GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL	100.00	100.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Top Five Broker Report

Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument	Interest rates derivatives: (ii) Swaps, forwards, and other Interest rate derivatives						
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N/A						
order)		Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		

\*Typically this asset class is traded on an RFQ basis with GS standing ready to transact as principal with the client. This is reflected in the execution venue list only including GSI.

Topic 1: an explanation of the relative importance the firm gave to the execution factors of price, costs, speed, likelihood of execution or any other consideration including qualitative factors when assessing the quality of execution;

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As this asset class is traded on an RFQ basis, we would determine whether the client legitimately relies on us by applying the four-fold test, albeit noting the starting presumption that professional clients do not generally rely on us to protect their interests (see response to question 5 for application of the four fold test and presumption of reliance for professional and retail clients).

To the extent we determine the client does legitimately rely us, when assessing the relative importance given to execution factors, GS will take into account the following criteria, where applicable, for determining the relative importance of the execution factors in the circumstances:

- the characteristics of the client including the regulatory categorisation of the client;
- the characteristics of the relevant order;
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- the characteristics of the execution venue to which that relevant order can be directed.

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We have a degree of discretion in how to apply the different execution factors and this may result in a range of different permissible approaches to executing client orders.

Topic 2: a description of any close links, conflicts of interests, and common ownerships with respect to any execution venues used to execute orders;

Not applicable, as GS is the only execution venue for this class of financial instrument.

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Legitimate Reliance:

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• the information provided by GS and any agreement reached - where GS's arrangements and agreements with the client do not indicate or suggest a relationship of reliance, it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS.

Execution Factors

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Topic 8: where applicable, an explanation of how the investment firm has used output of a consolidated tape provider established under Article 65 of Directive 2014/65/EU;

# Credit derivatives (i) Futures and options admitted to trading on a trading venue

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Reporting Entity: GSI Top Five Venue Report									
Гуре of Client: Professional Client									
Reporting Entity: GSI									
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Class of Instrument	Credit derivatives (i) Futures and options admitted to trading on a trading venue								
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N/A								
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending	Proportion of volume traded	Proportion of orders	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive	Percentage of directed				
order)	as a percentage of total in that class	executed as percentage of total in that class		orders	orders				
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				
Top Five Broker Report Type of Client: Professional Client Reporting Entity: GSI									
Class of Instrument	Credit derivatives (i) Futures a	and options admitted to tradir	ng on a trading venue						
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N/A								
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders				
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				

Goldman Sachs International does not trade credit related futures or options that are admitted to trading on trading venues with clients.

### Credit derivatives: (ii) Other credit derivatives

Reporting Entity: GSI

Top Five Venue Report

Type of Client: Professional Client Reporting Entity: GSI

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Class of Instrument	Credit derivatives: (ii) Other credit derivatives*						
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N						
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending	Proportion of volume traded	Proportion of orders	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive	Percentage of directed		
order)	as a percentage of total in	executed as percentage of		orders	orders		
		total in that class					
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W22LROWP2IHZNBB6K528 - (GS) GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL	100.00	100.00	N/A	N/A	N/A		

Top Five Broker Report

Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument	Credit derivatives: (ii) Other credit derivatives							
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N							
order)		Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders			
FOR8UP27PHTHYVLBNG30 - GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. LLC	94.71	29.00	N/A	N/A	N/A			
549300NIUPNUFRZ8LJ52 - (GS) GOLDMAN SACHS (ASIA) L.L.C.	5.09	70.80	N/A	N/A	N/A			
5NGPZ37H6T4XS5MO5N09 - GOLDMAN SACHS JAPAN CO., LTD	0.20	0.20	N/A	N/A	N/A			

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As this asset class is traded on an RFQ basis, we would determine whether the client legitimately relies on us by applying the four-fold test, albeit noting the starting presumption that professional clients do not generally rely on us to protect their interests (see response to question 5 for application of the four fold test and presumption of reliance for professional and retail clients).

To the extent we determine the client does legitimately rely us when assessing the relative importance given to execution factors, GS will take into account the following criteria, where applicable, for determining the relative importance of the execution factors in the circumstances:

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Not applicable, as GS is the only execution venue for this class of financial instrument.

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Legitimate Reliance:

To determine whether a client is legitimately relying on GS to protect its interests, the following factors are considered:

- which party initiates the transaction where GS approaches the client and suggests that the client should enter into a transaction, it is more likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS. Where the client initiates the transaction it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS;
- market practice and the existence of a convention to 'shop around' where the practice in the market in which a business area operates suggests that the client takes responsibility for the pricing and other elements of the transaction (e.g. there is a market convention to "shop around" for a quote), it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS;
- the relative levels of price transparency within a market if GS has ready access to prices in the market in which we operate and the client does not, it is more likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS. If GS's access to pricing transparency is equal or similar to the client's, it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS; and
- the information provided by GS and any agreement reached where GS's arrangements and agreements with the client do not indicate or suggest a relationship of reliance, it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS.

Execution Factors

Subject to any specific instructions, GS will generally give the highest priority to:

- net price for professional clients; or
- total consideration for retail clients. Notwithstanding any of the asset-class specific requirements, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the relevant order, market impact and any other implicit transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the retail client.

Under applicable law and regulation GS is not obliged to provide best execution when it executes orders on behalf of eligible counterparties.

Topic 6: an explanation of whether other criteria were given precedence over immediate price and cost when executing retail client orders and how these other criteria were instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms

of the total consideration to the client;

Subject to any specific instructions, GS will generally give the highest priority to total consideration for its retail clients. Notwithstanding any of the asset-class specific requirements, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the relevant order, market impact and any other implicit transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the retail client.

If GS receives an order from a retail client that includes a specific instruction or specific instructions in relation to the handling and execution of the entire order or a particular aspect or aspects of an order (including selecting a particular execution venue, executing at a particular price or time or through the use of a particular strategy) then, subject to GS's legal and regulatory obligations, GS will execute the retail client's order in accordance with that specific instruction. Where the specific instruction covers only a portion of an order (for example, as to the choice of execution venue), and GS has discretion over the execution of other elements of the order, then GS will continue to be subject to the best execution obligation in respect of the elements of the order that are not covered by the client's specific instruction.

7. Topic 7: an explanation of how the investment firm has used any data or tools relating to the quality of execution, including any data published under RTS 27;

Data published under Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/575 was not available for the reporting period covered by this report. However, GS has in place post execution supervisory monitoring procedures which use market data, where it is available, to assess client transactions against relevant market prices and benchmarks. For products with no observable external market data other criteria are used to benchmark client transactions for monitoring purposes. This monitoring is undertaken on a systematic basis via best execution monitoring systems.

8. Topic 8: where applicable, an explanation of how the investment firm has used output of a consolidated tape provider established under Article 65 of Directive 2014/65/EU;

# Currency derivatives: (i) Futures and options admitted to trading on a trading venue

Reporting Entity: GSI  Top Five Venue Report  Type of Client: Professional Client  Reporting Entity: GSI					
Class of Instrument	Currency derivatives: (i) Futur	res and options admitted to tra	ading on a trading venue		
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N/A				
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Top Five Broker Report Type of Client: Professional Client Reporting Entity: GSI					
Class of Instrument	Currency derivatives: (i) Futur	res and options admitted to tra	ading on a trading venue		
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N/A		1011,5 011 a d. a a		
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
NI/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A		· — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —		<del></del>	
N/A N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	N/A N/A
N/A					

Goldman Sachs International does not trade currency related futures or options that are admitted to trading on trading venues with clients

### Currency derivatives: (ii) Swaps, forwards, and other currency derivatives

Reporting Entity: GSI

Top Five Venue Report
Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument	Currency derivatives: (ii) Swaps, forwards, and other currency derivatives*					
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N	,	.,			
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)		Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders		Percentage of directed orders	
W22LROWP2IHZNBB6K528 - (GS) GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL	100.00	100.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Top Five Broker Report

Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument  Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	Currency derivatives: (ii) Swaps, forwards, and other currency derivatives  N/A						
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	_ ·	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		

\*Typically this asset class is traded on an RFQ basis with GS standing ready to transact as principal with the client. This is reflected in the execution venue list only including GSI.

Topic 1: an explanation of the relative importance the firm gave to the execution factors of price, costs, speed, likelihood of execution or any other consideration including qualitative factors when assessing the quality of execution;

This qualitative commentary covers the activity of different divisions of Goldman Sachs International (GS), namely the Securities Division and the Private Wealth Management Division. Unless otherwise indicated, the responses provided below are relevant for each division save for when references are made to retail clients - these references are specific to the Private Wealth Management Division which is the only part of GS providing execution services to retail clients. For further information on each division's best execution arrangements please refer to the relevant summaries which are available at: http://www.goldmansachs.com/disclosures/mifid/

As this asset class is traded on an RFQ basis, we would determine whether the client legitimately relies on us by applying the four-fold test, albeit noting the starting presumption that professional clients do not generally rely on us to protect their interests (see response to question 5 for application of the four fold test and presumption of reliance for professional and retail clients).

To the extent we determine the client does legitimately rely us when assessing the relative importance given to execution factors, GS will take into account the following criteria, where applicable, for determining the relative importance of the execution factors in the circumstances:

- the characteristics of the client including the regulatory categorisation of the client;
- the characteristics of the relevant order;
- the characteristics of financial instruments that are the subject of the relevant order; and
- the characteristics of the execution venue to which that relevant order can be directed.

Subject to any specific instructions, taking into account the criteria above, GS will generally give the highest priority to:

- net price for professional clients; or
- total consideration for retail clients. Notwithstanding any asset-class specific requirements, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the relevant order, market impact and any other implicit transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the retail client.

We have a degree of discretion in how to apply the different execution factors and this may result in a range of different permissible approaches to executing client orders.

Topic 2: a description of any close links, conflicts of interests, and common ownerships with respect to any execution venues used to execute orders;

Not applicable, as GS is the only execution venue for this class of financial instrument.

Topic 3: a description of any specific arrangements with any execution venues regarding payments made or received, discounts, rebates or non-monetary benefits received;

Not applicable, as GS is the only execution venue for this class of financial instrument.

Topic 4: an explanation of the factors that led to a change in the list of execution venues listed in the firm's execution policy, if such a change occurred;

There has been no change to the execution venues listed in GS' execution policy for the reporting period.

Topic 5: an explanation of how order execution differs according to client categorisation, where the firm treats categories of clients differently and where it may affect the order execution arrangements;

A client's regulatory categorisation is an important factor both in the assessment of whether the client is relying on GS to deliver best execution and in providing best execution.

The starting presumption is that retail clients do legitimately rely on GS to protect their interests in relation to pricing and other elements of the transaction that may be affected by the choice made by GS in executing the relevant order (i.e. GS owes a duty of best execution to retail clients) and professional clients do not legitimately rely on GS to protect their interests; however, these presumptions may be revised depending on the application of the four-fold test for determining legitimate reliance (set out below) to the particular circumstances of GS' interaction with the client and how the market operates for the relevant product.

Legitimate Reliance:

To determine whether a client is legitimately relying on GS to protect its interests, the following factors are considered:

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Topic 8: where applicable, an explanation of how the investment firm has used output of a consolidated tape provider established under Article 65 of Directive 2014/65/EU;

### Structured finance instruments

Reporting Entity: GSI

Top Five Venue Report

Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument	Structured finance instrument	Structured finance instruments*					
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N	<u></u>					
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending	Proportion of volume traded	Proportion of orders	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive	Percentage of directed		
order)	as a percentage of total in	executed as percentage of		orders	orders		
	that class	total in that class					
W22LROWP2IHZNBB6K528 - (GS) GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL	100.00	100.00	N/A	N/A	N/A		

Top Five Broker Report

Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument	Structured finance instruments						
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N/A	N/A					
order)		Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders		Percentage of directed orders		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		

\*Typically this asset class is traded on an RFQ basis with GS standing ready to transact as principal with the client. This is reflected in the execution venue list only including GSI.

Topic 1: an explanation of the relative importance the firm gave to the execution factors of price, costs, speed, likelihood of execution or any other consideration including qualitative factors when assessing the quality of execution;

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As this asset class is traded on an RFQ basis, we would determine whether the client legitimately relies on us by applying the four-fold test, albeit noting the starting presumption that professional clients do not generally rely on us to protect their interests (see response to question 5 for application of the four fold test and presumption of reliance for professional and retail clients).

To the extent we determine the client does legitimately rely us when assessing the relative importance given to execution factors, GS will take into account the following criteria, where applicable, for determining the relative importance of the execution factors in the circumstances:

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We have a degree of discretion in how to apply the different execution factors and this may result in a range of different permissible approaches to executing client orders.

Topic 2: a description of any close links, conflicts of interests, and common ownerships with respect to any execution venues used to execute orders;

Not applicable, as GS is the only execution venue for this class of financial instrument.

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There has been no change to the execution venues listed in GS' execution policy for the Reporting Period.

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Topic 8: where applicable, an explanation of how the investment firm has used output of a consolidated tape provider established under Article 65 of Directive 2014/65/EU;

## Equity Derivatives: (i) Options and Futures admitted to trading on a trading venue

Reporting Entity: GSI

Top Five Venue Report

Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument	Equity Derivatives: (i) Options and Futures admitted to trading on a trading venue*							
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N S S							
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	_	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders			
XEUR - EUREX	59.60	34.70	N/A	N/A	N/A			
IFLL - ICE FUTURES EUROPE - FINANCIAL PRODUCTS DIVISION	23.60	28.50	N/A	N/A	N/A			
XMON - EURONEXT	6.40	11.70	N/A	N/A	N/A			
XMRV - MEFF FINANCIAL DERIVATIVES	3.02	1.80	N/A	N/A	N/A			
XSTO - NASDAQ	2.60	7.60	N/A	N/A	N/A			

Top Five Broker Report

Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument	Equity Derivatives: (i) Options and Futures admitted to trading on a trading venue**							
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N	N						
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending	Proportion of volume traded	Proportion of orders	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive	Percentage of directed			
order)	as a percentage of total in	executed as percentage of		orders	orders			
	that class	total in that class						
2504000C7V0D0VI IVE404	25.40	01.10	N/A	N/A	N1/A			
259400067Y8R0XUKE191 - ERSTE SECURITIES POLSKA S.A.	35.10	91.10	N/A	N/A	N/A			
213800YRA1J9QFBMU217 - MARIANA UFP LLP	33.70	0.60	N/A	N/A	N/A			
2138001KA1J9QFBIVIO217 - IVIAKIANA OFF LLF	33.70	0.60	N/A	N/A	IN/A			
724500QCPKRLL1ZM6Y16 - AFS EQUITY & DERIVATIVES B.V	24.70	0.60	N/A	N/A	N/A			
724300QCFRREETZIVIOTTO - AF3 EQUITT & DERIVATIVES B.V	24.70	0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A			
COSTNIESVANZANINISCIVACE ADALANADO CLEADINIC DANIZ NI V	4.80	1 20	N/A	NI/A	NI/A			
G8ZTNESVNKW4NN761W05 - ABN AMRO CLEARING BANK N.V.	4.80	1.30	N/A	N/A	N/A			
F21C22DF1CV047DDTNIQC CVANDINAVICVA FNICVII DA DANVENI AD	0.60	0.80	N/A	N/A	NI/A			
F3JS33DEI6XQ4ZBPTN86 - SKANDINAVISKA ENSKILDA BANKEN AB	0.60	0.80	N/A	N/A	N/A			

\*For this asset class, venue selection will be driven by the instruction of the client. The execution venue data is therefore a reflection of where clients typically direct their orders for this asset class. \*\* GSI uses brokers, to access equity futures markets for which it does not have a direct membership itself. The list of brokers reflects this.

Topic 1: an explanation of the relative importance the firm gave to the execution factors of price, costs, speed, likelihood of execution or any other consideration including qualitative factors when assessing the quality of execution;

his qualitative commentary covers the activity of different divisions of Goldman Sachs International (GS), namely the Securities Division and the Private Wealth Management Division. Unless otherwise indicated, the responses provided below are relevant for each division save for when references are made to retail clients - these references are specific to the Private Wealth Management Division which is the only part of GS providing execution services to retail clients. For further information on each division's best execution arrangements please refer to the relevant summaries which are available at: http://www.goldmansachs.com/disclosures/mifid/

When assessing the relative importance given to execution factors, GS will take into account the following criteria for determining the relative importance of the execution factors in the circumstances:

- the characteristics of the client including the regulatory categorisation of the client;
- the characteristics of the relevant order;
- the characteristics of financial instruments that are the subject of the relevant order; and
- the characteristics of the execution venue to which that relevant order can be directed.

For this asset class, instruments are typically traded only on the execution venue of their listing and therefore client orders in the instrument will determine the execution venue. Subject to any specific instructions, taking into account the criteria above, the ranking of execution factors would typically be as follows:

- price and likelihood of execution and settlement for professional clients The remaining execution factors, to the extent applicable, are generally given equal ranking; or
- total consideration for retail clients. Notwithstanding any asset-class specific requirements, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the relevant order, market impact and any other implicit transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the retail client.

Topic 2: a description of any close links, conflicts of interests, and common ownerships with respect to any execution venues used to execute orders;

Goldman Sachs and persons connected with Goldman Sachs provide diversified financial services to a broad range of clients and counterparties and circumstances may arise in which Goldman Sachs may have a conflict of interest.

Goldman Sachs International (GS) is a member of the Goldman Sachs group of companies. The Securities Division of GS may execute transactions in certain asset classes with or through affiliated entities. Execution quality received from affiliated entities is subject to the same monitoring and assessment applied to third party entities and execution venues utilized by GS for execution of client orders.

GS has close links and/or common ownership with respect to the following entities:

SIGMA X MTF – Goldman Sachs International is under common ownership with Goldman Sachs International Bank which operates SIGMA X MTF, a multilateral trading facility for trading in European equity and equity-like instruments. SIGMA X MTF is operated on an independent and segregated basis to other Goldman Sachs businesses. Goldman Sachs International is itself one of several trading participants on SIGMA X MTF. For further information on SIGMA X MTF please visit the SIGMA X MTF website at http://gset.gs.com/sigmaxmtf/

In addition, Goldman Sachs Group entities may have (i) minor, non-controlling ownership stakes in companies which operate or own execution venues and/or; (ii) be founding consortia members of execution venues for which it has revenue share arrangements, which GS may use to execute orders on behalf of clients in certain financial instruments, including

- BIDS Holdings L.P.
- CHX Holdings, Inc.
- Chi-X Global Holdings LLC
- SBI Japannext Co., Ltd.
- National Stock Exchange of India Limited
- Turquoise Global Holdings Limited Tradeweb LLC

Our decision to route orders to a particular venue for execution is determined by whether execution on such venues allows us to satisfy our best execution obligations and is not influenced by any such ownership or revenue share arrangements.

For further details on the execution venues used by the Securities Division and its conflicts of interest policy, please refer to the Securities Division's best execution summary which is available at: http://www.goldmansachs.com/disclosures/mifid/

In addition to the information provided above, please note that the Private Wealth Management Division also utilizes a number of different execution venues to execute client orders. The Private Wealth Management Division may, depending on the asset class or financial instrument:

- rely on the Securities Division for the selection and ongoing review of execution venues (this ongoing review is in addition to the monitoring and oversight of order execution arrangements conducted by the Private Wealth
- Management Division); • have determined that it can consistently achieve the best results for its clients using a single execution venue and that this single execution venue may be the Securities Division or other GS affiliates.

For further details on the execution venues used by the Private Wealth Management Division and its conflicts of interest policy, please refer to Private Wealth Management Division's best execution summary which is available at: http://www.goldmansachs.com/disclosures/mifid/

Topic 3: a description of any specific arrangements with any execution venues regarding payments made or received, discounts, rebates or non-monetary benefits received;

Some Execution Venues may offer differing fee plans to trading members depending on the volume and nature/type of a trading activity on the venue as well as fee discounts depending on average volume of trading undertaken. Such arrangements apply equally to all trading members who satisfy the relevant criteria under the Execution Venues rules. Information on such arrangements is publically available on the relevant Execution Venues website. Our decision to route orders to a particular venue for execution for this asset class is typically driven by the listing of the product the client wishes to trade, and is not influenced by any such fee structures or volume discounts.

Topic 4: an explanation of the factors that led to a change in the list of execution venues listed in the firm's execution policy, if such a change occurred;

There has been no change to the execution venues listed in GS' execution policy for the reporting period.

Topic 5: an explanation of how order execution differs according to client categorisation, where the firm treats categories of clients differently and where it may affect the order execution arrangements;

A client's regulatory categorisation is an important factor both in the assessment of whether the client is relying on GS to deliver best execution and in providing best execution.

The starting presumption is that retail clients do legitimately rely on GS to protect their interests in relation to pricing and other elements of the transaction that may be affected by the choice made by GS in executing the relevant order (i.e. GS owes a duty of best execution to retail clients) and professional clients do not legitimately rely on GS to protect their interests; however, these presumptions may be revised depending on the application of the four-fold test for determining legitimate reliance (set out below) to the particular circumstances of GS' interaction with the client and how the market operates for the relevant product.

Legitimate Reliance:

To determine whether a client is legitimately relying on GS to protect its interests, the following factors are considered:

- which party initiates the transaction where GS approaches the client and suggests that the client should enter into a transaction, it is more likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS. Where the client initiates the transaction it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS;
- market practice and the existence of a convention to 'shop around' where the practice in the market in which a business area operates suggests that the client takes responsibility for the pricing and other elements of the transaction (e.g. there is a market convention to "shop around" for a quote), it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS;
- the relative levels of price transparency within a market if GS has ready access to prices in the market in which we operate and the client does not, it is more likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS. If GS's access to pricing transparency is equal or similar to the client's, it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS; and
- the information provided by GS and any agreement reached where GS's arrangements and agreements with the client do not indicate or suggest a relationship of reliance, it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS.

### Execution Factors

Subject to any specific instructions, GS will generally give the highest priority to:

- net price for professional clients; or
- total consideration for retail clients. Notwithstanding any of the asset-class specific requirements, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the relevant order, market impact and any other implicit transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the retail client.

Under applicable law and regulation GS is not obliged to provide best execution when it executes orders on behalf of eligible counterparties.

Topic 6: an explanation of whether other criteria were given precedence over immediate price and cost when executing retail client orders and how these other criteria were instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the client;

Subject to any specific instructions, GS will generally give the highest priority to total consideration for its retail clients. Notwithstanding any of the asset-class specific requirements, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the relevant order, market impact and any other implicit transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the retail client.

If GS receives an order from a retail client that includes a specific instruction or specific instructions in relation to the handling and execution of the entire order or a particular aspect or aspects of an order (including selecting a particular execution venue, execution venue, executing at a particular price or time or through the use of a particular strategy) then, subject to GS's legal and regulatory obligations, GS will execute the retail client's order in accordance with that specific instruction. Where the specific instruction covers only a portion of an order (for example, as to the choice of execution venue), and GS has discretion over the execution of other elements of the order, then GS will continue to be subject to the best execution obligation in respect of the elements of the order that are not covered by the client's specific instruction.

Topic 7: an explanation of how the investment firm has used any data or tools relating to the quality of execution, including any data published under RTS 27;

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Topic 8: where applicable, an explanation of how the investment firm has used output of a consolidated tape provider established under Article 65 of Directive 2014/65/EU;

## Equity Derivatives: (ii) Swaps and other equity derivatives

Reporting Entity: GSI

Top Five Venue Report

Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument

Equity Derivatives: (ii) Swaps and other equity derivatives\*

Class of Instrument	Equity Derivatives: (ii) Swaps and other equity derivatives*							
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N							
order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders			
v22LROWP2IHZNBB6K528 - (GS) GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL	100.00	100.00	N/A	N/A	N/A			

Top Five Broker Report Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Reporting Entity. GSI

Class of Instrument	Equity Derivatives: (ii) Swaps	Equity Derivatives: (ii) Swaps and other equity derivatives						
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N							
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)		Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders			
FOR8UP27PHTHYVLBNG30 - GOLDMAN SACHS & CO. LLC	79.16	73.80	N/A	N/A	N/A			
549300NIUPNUFRZ8LJ52 - (GS) GOLDMAN SACHS (ASIA) L.L.C.	20.79	26.10	N/A	N/A	N/A			
5NGPZ37H6T4XS5MO5N09 - GOLDMAN SACHS JAPAN CO., LTD	0.05	0.10	N/A	N/A	N/A			

\*Typically this asset class is traded on the basis of non-transactional client mandate or on an RFQ basis with GS standing ready to transact as principal with the client. This is reflected in the execution venue list only including GSI

Topic 1: an explanation of the relative importance the firm gave to the execution factors of price, costs, speed, likelihood of execution or any other consideration including qualitative factors when assessing the quality of execution;

This qualitative commentary covers the activity of different divisions of Goldman Sachs International (GS), namely the Securities Division and the Private Wealth Management Division. Unless otherwise indicated, the responses provided below are relevant for each division save for when references are made to retail clients - these references are specific to the Private Wealth Management Division which is the only part of GS providing execution services to retail clients. For further information on each division's best execution arrangements please refer to the relevant summaries which are available at: http://www.goldmansachs.com/disclosures/mifid/

As this asset class is traded on the basis of non-transactional client mandate or on an RFQ basis, we would determine whether the client legitimately relies on us by applying the four-fold test, albeit noting the starting presumption that professional clients do not generally rely on us to protect their interests (see response to question 5 for application of the four fold test and presumption of reliance for professional and retail clients).

To the extent we determine the client does legitimately rely on us when assessing the relative importance given to execution factors, GS will take into account the following criteria, where applicable, for determining the relative importance of the execution factors in the circumstances:

- the characteristics of the client including the regulatory categorisation of the client;
- the characteristics of the client including
  the characteristics of the relevant order;
- the characteristics of the relevant order;
  the characteristics of financial instruments that are the subject of the relevant order; and
- the characteristics of the execution venue to which that relevant order can be directed.

Subject to any specific instructions, taking into account the criteria above, GS will generally give the highest priority to:

- net price for professional clients; or
- total consideration for retail clients. Notwithstanding any asset-class specific requirements, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the relevant order, market impact and any other implicit transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the retail client.

We have a degree of discretion in how to apply the different execution factors and this may result in a range of different permissible approaches to executing client orders.

Topic 2: a description of any close links, conflicts of interests, and common ownerships with respect to any execution venues used to execute orders;

Not applicable, as GS is the only execution venue for this class of financial instrument.

Topic 3: a description of any specific arrangements with any execution venues regarding payments made or received, discounts, rebates or non-monetary benefits received;

Not applicable, as GS is the only execution venue for this class of financial instrument.

Topic 4: an explanation of the factors that led to a change in the list of execution venues listed in the firm's execution policy, if such a change occurred;

There has been no change to the execution venues listed in GS' execution policy for the reporting period.

Topic 5: an explanation of how order execution differs according to client categorisation, where the firm treats categories of clients differently and where it may affect the order execution arrangements;

A client's regulatory categorisation is an important factor both in the assessment of whether the client is relying on GS to deliver best execution and in providing best execution.

The starting presumption is that retail clients do legitimately rely on GS to protect their interests in relation to pricing and other elements of the transaction that may be affected by the choice made by GS in executing the relevant order (i.e. GS owes a duty of best execution to retail clients) and professional clients do not legitimately rely on GS to protect their interests; however, these presumptions may be revised depending on the application of the four-fold test for determining legitimate reliance (set out below) to the particular circumstances of GS' interaction with the client and how the market operates for the relevant product.

Legitimate Reliance:

To determine whether a client is legitimately relying on GS to protect its interests, the following factors are considered:

- which party initiates the transaction where GS approaches the client and suggests that the client should enter into a transaction, it is more likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS. Where the client initiates the transaction it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS;
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Under applicable law and regulation GS is not obliged to provide best execution when it executes orders on behalf of eligible counterparties.

Topic 6: an explanation of whether other criteria were given precedence over immediate price and cost when executing retail client orders and how these other criteria were instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the client;

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Topic 7: an explanation of how the investment firm has used any data or tools relating to the quality of execution, including any data published under RTS 27;

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Topic 8: where applicable, an explanation of how the investment firm has used output of a consolidated tape provider established under Article 65 of Directive 2014/65/EU;

### Securitized Derivatives: (i) Warrants and Certificate Derivatives

Reporting Entity: GSI

Top Five Venue Report

Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument	Securitized Derivatives: (i) Wa	Securitized Derivatives: (i) Warrants and Certificate Derivatives*					
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Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	IN				-		
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending	Proportion of volume traded	Proportion of orders	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive	Percentage of directed		
order)	as a percentage of total in	executed as percentage of		orders	orders		
	that class	total in that class					
W22LROWP2IHZNBB6K528 - (GS) GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL	100.00	100.00	N/A	N/A	N/A		

Top Five Broker Report

Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

	Securitized Derivatives: (i) Warrants and Certificate Derivatives						
order)		Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		

\*Typically this asset class is traded on an RFQ basis with GS standing ready to transact as principal with the client. This is reflected in the execution venue list only including GSI.

Topic 1: an explanation of the relative importance the firm gave to the execution factors of price, costs, speed, likelihood of execution or any other consideration including qualitative factors when assessing the quality of execution;

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As this asset class is traded on an RFQ basis, we would determine whether the client legitimately relies on us by applying the four-fold test, albeit noting the starting presumption that professional clients do not generally rely on us to protect their interests (see response to question 5 for application of the four fold test and presumption of reliance for professional and retail clients).

To the extent we determine the client does legitimately rely us when assessing the relative importance given to execution factors, GS will take into account the following criteria, where applicable, for determining the relative importance of the execution factors in the circumstances:

- the characteristics of the client including the regulatory categorisation of the client;
- the characteristics of the relevant order;
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We have a degree of discretion in how to apply the different execution factors and this may result in a range of different permissible approaches to executing client orders.

Topic 2: a description of any close links, conflicts of interests, and common ownerships with respect to any execution venues used to execute orders;

Not applicable, as GS is the only execution venue for this class of financial instrument.

Topic 3: a description of any specific arrangements with any execution venues regarding payments made or received, discounts, rebates or non-monetary benefits received;

test for determining legitimate reliance (set out below) to the particular circumstances of GS' interaction with the client and how the market operates for the relevant product.

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Topic 4: an explanation of the factors that led to a change in the list of execution venues listed in the firm's execution policy, if such a change occurred;

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Execution Factors

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Topic 8: where applicable, an explanation of how the investment firm has used output of a consolidated tape provider established under Article 65 of Directive 2014/65/EU;

# Securitized Derivatives: (ii) Other securitized derivatives

N/A

N/A

N/A

Reporting Entity: GSI					
Top Five Venue Report					
Type of Client: Professional Client					
Reporting Entity: GSI					
Class of Instrument	Securitized Derivatives: (ii) Ot	her securitized derivatives			
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N/A				
	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of	Percentage of passive orders		Percentage of directed orders
		total in that class		or der 3	orders
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

N/A

Top Five Broker Report
Type of Client: Professional Client
Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument	Securitized Derivatives: (ii) Ot	Securitized Derivatives: (ii) Other securitized derivatives					
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N/A						
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)		Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		

Goldman Sachs International does not undertake client executions in this Asset Class.

### Commodities derivatives and emission allowances Derivatives: (i) Options and Futures admitted to trading on a trading venue

Reporting Entity: GSI							
Top Five Venue Report							
Type of Client: Professional Client							
Reporting Entity: GSI							
Class of Instrument	Commodities derivatives and emission allowances Derivatives: (i) Options and Futures admitted to trading on a trading venue						
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N						
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)		Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders		
IFEU - ICE FUTURES EUROPE	96.43	91.76	N/A	N/A	N/A		
XLME - LONDON METAL EXCHANGE	3.06	6.60	N/A	N/A	N/A		
XPAR - EURONEXT - EURONEXT PARIS	0.50	1.18	N/A	N/A	N/A		
XEEE - EUROPEAN ENERGY EXCHANGE	0.01	0.46	N/A	N/A	N/A		

Top Five Broker Report

Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument	Commodities derivatives and emission allowances Derivatives: (i) Options and Futures admitted to trading on a trading venue						
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N/A						
order)		Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		

Topic 1: an explanation of the relative importance the firm gave to the execution factors of price, costs, speed, likelihood of execution or any other consideration including qualitative factors when assessing the quality of execution;

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When assessing the relative importance given to execution factors, GS will take into account the following criteria for determining the relative importance of the execution factors in the circumstances;

- the characteristics of the client including the regulatory categorisation of the client;
- the characteristics of the relevant order;
- the characteristics of financial instruments that are the subject of the relevant order; and
- the characteristics of the execution venue to which that relevant order can be directed.

For this asset class, instruments are typically traded only on the execution venue of their listing and therefore client orders in the instrument will determine the execution venue. Subject to any specific instructions, taking into account the criteria above, the ranking of execution factors would typically be as follows:

- price and likelihood of execution and settlement for professional clients. The remaining execution factors, to the extent applicable, are generally given equal ranking.; or
- total consideration for retail clients. Notwithstanding any asset-class specific requirements, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the relevant order, market impact and any other implicit transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the retail client.

Topic 2: a description of any close links, conflicts of interests, and common ownerships with respect to any execution venues used to execute orders;

Goldman Sachs and persons connected with Goldman Sachs provide diversified financial services to a broad range of clients and counterparties and circumstances may arise in which Goldman Sachs may have a conflict of interest.

Goldman Sachs International (GS) is a member of the Goldman Sachs group of companies. The Securities Division of GS may execute transactions in certain asset classes with or through affiliated entities. Execution quality received from affiliated entities is subject to the same monitoring and assessment applied to third party entities and execution venues utilized by GS for execution of client orders.

In addition, Goldman Sachs Group entities may have (i) minor, non-controlling ownership stakes in companies which operate or own execution venues and/or; (ii) be founding consortia members of execution venues for which it has revenue share arrangements, which GS may use to execute orders on behalf of clients in certain financial instruments, including

- LME Holdings Limited
- Nasdaq NFX
- National Commodities & Derivatives Exchange Ltd.
- New York Shipping Exchange (NYSHEX)

Our decision to route orders to a particular venue for execution is determined by whether execution on such venues allows us to satisfy our best execution obligations and is not influenced by any such ownership or revenue share arrangements.

For further details on the execution venues used by the Securities Division and its conflicts of interest policy, please refer to the Securities Division's best execution summary which is available at: http://www.goldmansachs.com/disclosures/mifid/

In addition to the information provided above, please note that the Private Wealth Management Division also utilizes a number of different execution venues to execute client orders. The Private Wealth Management Division may, depending on the asset class or financial instrument:

- rely on the Securities Division for the selection and ongoing review of execution venues (this ongoing review is in addition to the monitoring and oversight of order execution arrangements conducted by the Private Wealth
  - have determined that it can consistently achieve the best results for its clients using a single execution venue and that this single execution venue may be the Securities Division or other GS affiliates.

For further details on the execution venues used by the Private Wealth Management Division and its conflicts of interest policy, please refer to Private Wealth Management Division's best execution summary which is available at: http://www.goldmansachs.com/disclosures/mifid/

Topic 3: a description of any specific arrangements with any execution venues regarding payments made or received, discounts, rebates or non-monetary benefits received;

Some Execution Venues may offer differing fee plans to trading members depending on the volume and nature/type of a trading activity on the venue as well as fee discounts depending on average volume of trading undertaken. Such arrangements apply equally to all trading members who satisfy the relevant criteria under the Execution Venues rules. Information on such arrangements is publically available on the relevant Execution Venues website. Our decision to route orders to a particular venue for execution for this asset class is typically driven by the listing of the product the client wishes to trade and is not influenced by any such fee structures or volume discounts.

Topic 4: an explanation of the factors that led to a change in the list of execution venues listed in the firm's execution policy, if such a change occurred;

There has been no change to the execution venues listed in GS' execution policy for the reporting period.

Topic 5: an explanation of how order execution differs according to client categorisation, where the firm treats categories of clients differently and where it may affect the order execution arrangements;

A client's regulatory categorisation is an important factor both in the assessment of whether the client is relying on GS to deliver best execution and in providing best execution.

The starting presumption is that retail clients do legitimately rely on GS to protect their interests in relation to pricing and other elements of the transaction that may be affected by the choice made by GS in executing the relevant order (i.e. GS owes a duty of best execution to retail clients) and professional clients do not legitimately rely on GS to protect their interests; however, these presumptions may be revised depending on the application of the four-fold test for determining legitimate reliance (set out below) to the particular circumstances of GS' interaction with the client and how the market operates for the relevant product.

### Legitimate Reliance:

To determine whether a client is legitimately relying on GS to protect its interests, the following factors are considered:

- which party initiates the transaction where GS approaches the client and suggests that the client should enter into a transaction, it is more likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS. Where the client initiates the transaction it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS;
- market practice and the existence of a convention to 'shop around' where the practice in the market in which a business area operates suggests that the client takes responsibility for the pricing and other elements of the transaction (e.g. there is a market convention to "shop around" for a quote), it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS;
- the relative levels of price transparency within a market if GS has ready access to prices in the market in which we operate and the client does not, it is more likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS. If GS's access to pricing transparency is equal or similar to the client's, it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS; and
- the information provided by GS and any agreement reached where GS's arrangements and agreements with the client do not indicate or suggest a relationship of reliance, it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS.

#### **Execution Factors**

Subject to any specific instructions, GS will generally give the highest priority to:

- net price for professional clients; or
- total consideration for retail clients. Notwithstanding any of the asset-class specific requirements, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the relevant order, market impact and any other implicit transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the retail client.

Under applicable law and regulation GS is not obliged to provide best execution when it executes orders on behalf of eligible counterparties.

Topic 6: an explanation of whether other criteria were given precedence over immediate price and cost when executing retail client orders and how these other criteria were instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the client;

Subject to any specific instructions, GS will generally give the highest priority to total consideration for its retail clients. Notwithstanding any of the asset-class specific requirements, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the relevant order, market impact and any other implicit transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the retail client.

If GS receives an order from a retail client that includes a specific instruction or specific instructions in relation to the handling and execution of the entire order or a particular aspect or aspects of an order (including selecting a particular execution venue, executing at a particular price or time or through the use of a particular strategy) then, subject to GS's legal and regulatory obligations, GS will execute the retail client's order in accordance with that specific instruction. Where the specific instruction covers only a portion of an order (for example, as to the choice of execution venue), and GS has discretion over the execution of other elements of the order, then GS will continue to be subject to the best execution obligation in respect of the elements of the order that are not covered by the client's specific instruction.

Topic 7: an explanation of how the investment firm has used any data or tools relating to the quality of execution, including any data published under RTS 27;

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Topic 8: where applicable, an explanation of how the investment firm has used output of a consolidated tape provider established under Article 65 of Directive 2014/65/EU;

# Commodities derivatives and emission allowances Derivatives: (ii) Other commodities derivatives and emission allowances derivatives

Reporting Entity: GSI Top Five Venue Report Type of Client: Professional Client Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument Commodities derivatives and emission allowances Derivatives: (ii) Other commodities derivatives and emission allowances derivatives\* Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending Proportion of volume traded | Proportion of orders Percentage of passive orders | Percentage of aggressive Percentage of directed executed as percentage of order) as a percentage of total in orders that class total in that class W22LROWP2IHZNBB6K528 - (GS) GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL 100.00 100.00 N/A N/A N/A

Top Five Broker Report Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument	Commodities derivatives and emission allowances Derivatives: (ii) Other commodities derivatives and emission allowances derivatives						
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N/A						
order)	,	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		

\*Typically this asset class is traded on an RFQ basis with GS standing ready to transact as principal with the client. This is reflected in the execution venue list only including GSI.

Topic 1: an explanation of the relative importance the firm gave to the execution factors of price, costs, speed, likelihood of execution or any other consideration including qualitative factors when assessing the quality of execution;

This qualitative commentary covers the activity of different divisions of Goldman Sachs International (GS), namely the Securities Division and the Private Wealth Management Division. Unless otherwise indicated, the responses provided below are relevant for each division save for when references are made to retail clients - these references are specific to the Private Wealth Management Division which is the only part of GS providing execution services to retail clients. For further information on each division's best execution arrangements please refer to the relevant summaries which are available at: http://www.goldmansachs.com/disclosures/mifid/

As this asset class is traded on an RFQ basis, we would determine whether the client legitimately relies on us by applying the four-fold test, albeit noting the starting presumption that professional clients do not generally rely on us to protect their interests (see response to question 5 for application of the four fold test and presumption of reliance for professional and retail clients).

To the extent we determine the client does legitimately rely us when assessing the relative importance given to execution factors, GS will take into account the following criteria, where applicable, for determining the relative importance of the execution factors in the circumstances:

- the characteristics of the client including the regulatory categorisation of the client;
- the characteristics of the relevant order;
- the characteristics of financial instruments that are the subject of the relevant order; and
- the characteristics of the execution venue to which that relevant order can be directed.

Subject to any specific instructions, taking into account the criteria above, GS will generally give the highest priority to:

- price likelihood of execution and settlement for professional clients. The remaining execution factors, to the extent applicable, are generally given equal ranking; or
- total consideration for retail clients. Notwithstanding any asset-class specific requirements, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the relevant order, market impact and any other implicit transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the retail client.

We have a degree of discretion in how to apply the different execution factors and this may result in a range of different permissible approaches to executing client orders.

Topic 2: a description of any close links, conflicts of interests, and common ownerships with respect to any execution venues used to execute orders;

Not applicable, as GS is the only execution venue for this class of financial instrument.

Topic 3: a description of any specific arrangements with any execution venues regarding payments made or received, discounts, rebates or non-monetary benefits received;

Not applicable, as GS is the only execution venue for this class of financial instrument.

Topic 4: an explanation of the factors that led to a change in the list of execution venues listed in the firm's execution policy, if such a change occurred;

There has been no change to the execution venues listed in GS' execution policy for the reporting period.

Topic 5: an explanation of how order execution differs according to client categorisation, where the firm treats categories of clients differently and where it may affect the order execution arrangements;

A client's regulatory categorisation is an important factor both in the assessment of whether the client is relying on GS to deliver best execution and in providing best execution.

The starting presumption is that retail clients do legitimately rely on GS to protect their interests in relation to pricing and other elements of the transaction that may be affected by the choice made by GS in executing the relevant order (i.e. GS owes a duty of best execution to retail clients) and professional clients do not legitimately rely on GS to protect their interests; however, these presumptions may be revised depending on the application of the four-fold test for determining legitimate reliance (set out below) to the particular circumstances of GS' interaction with the client and how the market operates for the relevant product.

Legitimate Reliance:

To determine whether a client is legitimately relying on GS to protect its interests, the following factors are considered:

- which party initiates the transaction where GS approaches the client and suggests that the client should enter into a transaction, it is more likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS. Where the client initiates the transaction it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS;
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- the relative levels of price transparency within a market if GS has ready access to prices in the market in which we operate and the client does not, it is more likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS. If GS's access to pricing transparency is equal or similar to the client's, it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS; and
- the information provided by GS and any agreement reached where GS's arrangements and agreements with the client do not indicate or suggest a relationship of reliance, it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS.

**Execution Factors** 

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- total consideration for retail clients. Notwithstanding any of the asset-class specific requirements, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the relevant order, market impact and any other implicit transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the retail client.

Under applicable law and regulation GS is not obliged to provide best execution when it executes orders on behalf of eligible counterparties.

Topic 6: an explanation of whether other criteria were given precedence over immediate price and cost when executing retail client orders and how these other criteria were instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms

of the total consideration to the client;

Subject to any specific instructions, GS will generally give the highest priority to total consideration for its retail clients. Notwithstanding any of the asset-class specific requirements, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the relevant order, market impact and any other implicit transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the retail client.

If GS receives an order from a retail client that includes a specific instruction or specific instructions in relation to the handling and execution of the entire order or a particular aspect or aspects of an order (including selecting a particular execution venue, executing at a particular price or time or through the use of a particular strategy) then, subject to GS's legal and regulatory obligations, GS will execute the retail client's order in accordance with that specific instruction. Where the specific instruction covers only a portion of an order (for example, as to the choice of execution venue), and GS has discretion over the execution of other elements of the order, then GS will continue to be subject to the best execution obligation in respect of the elements of the order that are not covered by the client's specific instruction.

Topic 7: an explanation of how the investment firm has used any data or tools relating to the quality of execution, including any data published under RTS 27;

Data published under Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/575 was not available for the reporting period covered by this report. However, GS has in place post execution supervisory monitoring procedures which use market data, where it is available, to assess client transactions against relevant market prices and benchmarks. For products with no observable external market data other criteria are used to benchmark client transactions for monitoring purposes. This monitoring is undertaken on a systematic basis via best execution monitoring systems.

Topic 8: where applicable, an explanation of how the investment firm has used output of a consolidated tape provider established under Article 65 of Directive 2014/65/EU;

## **Contracts for difference**

Reporting Entity: GSI					
Top Five Venue Report					
Type of Client: Professional Client					
Reporting Entity: GSI					
Class of Instrument	Contracts for difference				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N/A				
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Reporting Entity: GSI Type of Client: Professional Client Professional Client Class of Instrument	Contracts for difference				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N/A				
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

N/A – Contracts for Difference will be addressed under the MiFID II Swaps Asset Class for the First Report.

### Exchange traded products (Exchange traded funds, exchange traded notes and exchange traded commodities)

Reporting Entity: GSI								
Top Five Venue Report								
Type of Client: Professional Client								
Reporting Entity: GSI								
Class of Instrument	Exchange traded products (Exchange traded product) (Exchange traded pr	change traded funds, exchange	traded notes and exchange tra	ided commodities)				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N							
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders			
XLON - LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE	15.90	15.90	N/A	N/A	N/A			
CHIX - CBOE EUROPE - CXE ORDER BOOKS	12.90	31.50	N/A	N/A	N/A			
BATE - CBOE EUROPE -BXE ORDER BOOKS	12.10	5.40	N/A	N/A	N/A			
XETA- XETRA - REGULIERTER MARKT	11.80	5.10	N/A	N/A	N/A			
XPAR - EURONEXT - EURONEXT PARIS	9.00	6.00	N/A	N/A	N/A			
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Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument	Fush and traded and dusts (Fush and traded funds, sush and traded notes and sush and traded as and distinct.)*						
Class of Instrument	Exchange traded products (Ex	Exchange traded products (Exchange traded funds, exchange traded notes and exchange traded commodities)*					
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N						
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending	Proportion of volume traded	Proportion of orders	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive	Percentage of directed		
order)	as a percentage of total in	executed as percentage of		orders	orders		
	that class	total in that class					
213800NMEZS3MD2IUP33 - ICAP SECURITIES LIMITED	26.90	10.80	N/A	N/A	N/A		
		20.00	.,	.,			
ZWNFQ48RUL8VJZ2AIC12 - BGC BROKERS L.P.	17.10	19.20	N/A	N/A	N/A		
ZWW Q TOROLOVSZEZ WOLZ BOO BROKERS E.T.	17.10	13.20	14,71	14,7.	14/71		
549300WXUYR1CMLDQF25 - TFS DERIVATIVES LIMITED	15.70	4.40	N/A	N/A	N/A		
545500WXGTKIEWEDQ(25 TTG DENIVATIVES ENVITED	13.70	4.40	14,71	14/7	14/71		
254900VCHS9DMDUVZN16 - KEPLER CAPITAL MARKETS, INC.	15.10	1.20	N/A	N/A	N/A		
254500VCH35DWD0VZN10 KEI EEN GAI TIAE WARKETS, INC.	15.10	1.20	14/7	17/	11/74		
213800KL2QZT2GQMQQ34 - LOUIS CAPITAL MARKETS UK LLP	8.40	1.50	N/A	N/A	N/A		
213000KLZQZ1ZOQIVIQQ34 - LOOI3 CAFTTAL IVIANKETS OK ELF	8.40	1.50	IN/A	I N/A	N/A		

\*GSI uses brokers, including affiliate brokers, to access exchange traded product markets for which it does not have a direct membership itself. The list of brokers reflects this, in particular the use of GSCO, our US affiliate, to access US execution venues.

opic 1: an explanation of the relative importance the firm gave to the execution factors of price, costs, speed, likelihood of execution or any other consideration including qualitative factors when assessing the quality of execution;

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When assessing the relative importance given to execution factors, GS will take into account the following criteria for determining the relative importance of the execution factors in the circumstances:

- the characteristics of the client including the regulatory categorisation of the client;
- the characteristics of the relevant order;
- the characteristics of financial instruments that are the subject of the relevant order; and
- the characteristics of the execution venue to which that relevant order can be directed.

Subject to any specific instructions, taking into account the criteria above, GS will generally give the highest priority to:

- price for and likelihood of execution and settlement for professional clients. The remaining execution factors, to the extent applicable, are generally given equal ranking; or
- total consideration for retail clients. Notwithstanding any asset-class specific requirements, speed, likelihood of execution and settlement, the size and nature of the relevant order, market impact and any other implicit transaction costs may be given precedence over the immediate price and cost consideration only insofar as they are instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the retail client.

We may prioritise one or more of the other execution factors if: (i) there is insufficient immediately available liquidity on the relevant execution venues to execute the relevant order in full; or (ii) where a client instructs us to work a relevant order over a period of time or by reference to a benchmark calculated over a period of time (such as VWAP); or (iii) we determine that there are other circumstances such that obtaining the best immediately available price may not be the best possible result for the client. In these cases, we will determine the relative priority of each execution factor on an order-by-order basis, where the order is executed manually, and by order type (e.g. iceberg, VWAP), where the order is executed using an algorithm.

We have a degree of discretion in how to apply the different execution factors and this may result in a range of different permissible approaches to executing client orders.

Topic 2: a description of any close links, conflicts of interests, and common ownerships with respect to any execution venues used to execute orders;

Goldman Sachs and persons connected with Goldman Sachs provide diversified financial services to a broad range of clients and counterparties and circumstances may arise in which Goldman Sachs may have a conflict of interest.

Goldman Sachs International (GS) is a member of the Goldman Sachs group of companies. The Securities Division of GS may execute transactions in certain asset classes with or through affiliated entities. Execution quality received from affiliated entities is subject to the same monitoring and assessment applied to third party entities and execution venues utilized by GS for execution of client orders.

Goldman Sachs International has close links and/or common ownership with respect to the following entities:

SIGMA X MTF – Goldman Sachs International is under common ownership with Goldman Sachs International Bank which operates SIGMA X MTF, a multilateral trading facility for trading in European equity and equity-like instruments. SIGMA X MTF is operated on an independent and segregated basis to other Goldman Sachs businesses. Goldman Sachs International is itself one of several trading participants on SIGMA X MTF. For further information on SIGMA X MTF please visit the SIGMA X MTF website at http://gset.gs.com/sigmaxmtf/

In addition, Goldman Sachs Group entities may have (i) minor, non-controlling ownership stakes in companies which operate or own execution venues and/or; (ii) be founding consortia members of execution venues for which it has revenue share arrangements, which GS may use to execute orders on behalf of clients in certain financial instruments, including

- BIDS Holdings L.P.
- CHX Holdings, Inc.
- Chi-X Global Holdings LLC
- SBI Japannext Co., Ltd.
- National Stock Exchange of India Limited
- Turquoise Global Holdings Limited
- Tradeweb LLC

Our decision to route orders to a particular venue for execution is determined by whether execution on such venues allows us to satisfy our best execution obligations and is not influenced by any such ownership or revenue share arrangements.

For further details on the execution venues used by the Securities Division and its conflicts of interest policy, please refer to the Securities Division's best execution summary which is available at: http://www.goldmansachs.com/disclosures/mifid/

In addition to the information provided above, please note that the Private Wealth Management Division also utilizes a number of different execution venues to execute client orders. The Private Wealth Management Division may, depending on the asset class or financial instrument:

- rely on the Securities Division for the selection and ongoing review of execution venues (this ongoing review is in addition to the monitoring and oversight of order execution arrangements conducted by the Private Wealth
- have determined that it can consistently achieve the best results for its clients using a single execution venue and that this single execution venue may be the Securities Division or other GS affiliates.

or further details on the execution venues used by the Private Wealth Management Division and its conflicts of interest policy, please refer to Private Wealth Management Division's best execution summary which is available at: http://www.goldmansachs.com/disclosures/mifid/

Topic 3: a description of any specific arrangements with any execution venues regarding payments made or received, discounts, rebates or non-monetary benefits received;

Some Execution Venues may offer differing fee plans to trading members depending on the volume and nature/type of a trading activity on the venue as well as fee discounts depending on average volume of trading undertaken. Such arrangements apply equally to all trading members who satisfy the relevant criteria under the Execution Venues rules. Information on such arrangements is publically available on the relevant Execution Venues website. Our decision to route orders to a particular venue for execution is determined by whether execution on such venues allows us to satisfy our best execution obligations and is not influenced by any such fee structures or volume discounts.

Topic 4: an explanation of the factors that led to a change in the list of execution venues listed in the firm's execution policy, if such a change occurred;

GS maintains internal procedures for the selection of Brokers, Trading Venues and other Execution Venues, both at the stage of on-boarding and throughout the relationship, in order to satisfy ourselves that those selections enable us to obtain best execution on a consistent basis. These procedures include undertaking due diligence and regular assessments of execution quality.

In response to evolving market structure and client demand GS frequently evaluates existing and new execution venues. As result of the latest market structure changes GS has added a variety of new execution venues. As part of our regular evaluation of execution venues GS reviews a variety of execution performance metrics, including addressable liquidity, fill rate, mark-outs and latency.

Topic 5: an explanation of how order execution differs according to client categorisation, where the firm treats categories of clients differently and where it may affect the order execution arrangements;

A client's regulatory categorisation is an important factor both in the assessment of whether the client is relying on GS to deliver best execution and in providing best execution.

The starting presumption is that retail clients do legitimately rely on GS to protect their interests in relation to pricing and other elements of the transaction that may be affected by the choice made by GS in executing the relevant order (i.e. GS owes a duty of best execution to retail clients) and professional clients do not legitimately rely on GS to protect their interests; however, these presumptions may be revised depending on the application of the four-fold test for determining legitimate reliance (set out below) to the particular circumstances of GS' interaction with the client and how the market operates for the relevant product.

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### **Execution Factors**

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Topic 6: an explanation of whether other criteria were given precedence over immediate price and cost when executing retail client orders and how these other criteria were instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the client;

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Topic 7: an explanation of how the investment firm has used any data or tools relating to the quality of execution, including any data published under RTS 27;

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Topic 8: where applicable, an explanation of how the investment firm has used output of a consolidated tape provider established under Article 65 of Directive 2014/65/EU;

### **Emission Allowances**

Reporting Entity: GSI
Top Five Venue Report

Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument	Emission Allowances*						
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N/A						
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	_	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders		
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Reporting Entity: GSI

Type of Client: Professional Client

Reporting Entity: GSI

Class of Instrument	Emission Allowances						
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N/A						
order)	_	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		

\*Typically this asset class is traded on an RFQ basis with GS standing ready to transact as principal with the client. This is reflected in the execution venue list only including GSI.

Topic 1: an explanation of the relative importance the firm gave to the execution factors of price, costs, speed, likelihood of execution or any other consideration including qualitative factors when assessing the quality of execution;

As this asset class is traded on an RFQ basis, we would determine whether the client legitimately relies on us by applying the four-fold test, albeit noting the starting presumption that professional clients do not generally rely on us to protect their interests (see response to question 5 for application of the four fold test and presumption of reliance for professional and retail clients).

To the extent we determine the client does legitimately rely us when assessing the relative importance given to execution factors, Goldman Sachs International ("GS") will take into account the following criteria, where applicable, for determining the relative importance of the execution factors in the circumstances:

- the characteristics of the client including the regulatory categorisation of the client;
- the characteristics of the relevant order;
- the characteristics of financial instruments that are the subject of the relevant order; and
- the characteristics of the execution venue to which that relevant order can be directed.

Subject to any specific instructions, taking into account the criteria above, GS will generally give the highest priority to price. The remaining execution factors are generally given equal ranking.

We have a degree of discretion in how to apply the different execution factors and this may result in a range of different permissible approaches to executing client orders.

For further information on GS' best execution arrangements please refer to the relevant summaries which are available at: http://www.goldmansachs.com/disclosures/mifid/

Topic 2: a description of any close links, conflicts of interests, and common ownerships with respect to any execution venues used to execute orders;

Not applicable, as GS is the only execution venue for this class of financial instrument.

Topic 3: a description of any specific arrangements with any execution venues regarding payments made or received, discounts, rebates or non-monetary benefits received;

Not applicable, as GS is the only execution venue for this class of financial instrument.

Topic 4: an explanation of the factors that led to a change in the list of execution venues listed in the firm's execution policy, if such a change occurred;

There has been no change to the execution venues listed in GS' execution policy for the reporting period.

Topic 5: an explanation of how order execution differs according to client categorisation, where the firm treats categories of clients differently and where it may affect the order execution arrangements;

A client's regulatory categorisation is an important factor both in the assessment of whether the client is relying on GS to deliver best execution and in providing best execution.

The starting presumption is that professional clients do not legitimately rely on GS to protect their interests; however, these presumptions may be revised depending on the application of the four-fold test for determining legitimate reliance (set out below) to the particular circumstances of GS' interaction with the client and how the market operates for the relevant product.

Legitimate Reliance:

To determine whether a client is legitimately relying on GS to protect its interests, the following factors are considered:

- which party initiates the transaction where GS approaches the client and suggests that the client should enter into a transaction, it is more likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS. Where the client initiates the transaction it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS;
- market practice and the existence of a convention to 'shop around' where the practice in the market in which a business area operates suggests that the client takes responsibility for the pricing and other elements of the transaction (e.g. there is a market convention to "shop around" for a quote), it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS;
- the relative levels of price transparency within a market if GS has ready access to prices in the market in which we operate and the client does not, it is more likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS. If GS's access to pricing transparency is equal or similar to the client's, it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS; and
- the information provided by GS and any agreement reached where GS's arrangements and agreements with the client do not indicate or suggest a relationship of reliance, it is less likely that the client will be placing reliance on GS.

Execution Factors

Subject to any specific instructions, GS will generally give the highest priority to:

• net price for professional clients

Under applicable law and regulation GS is not obliged to provide best execution when it executes orders on behalf of eligible counterparties.

Topic 6: an explanation of whether other criteria were given precedence over immediate price and cost when executing retail client orders and how these other criteria were instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the client;

Not applicable as Goldman Sachs International does not have retail clients for which it executes orders in this asset class.

Topic 7: an explanation of how the investment firm has used any data or tools relating to the quality of execution, including any data published under RTS 27;

Data published under Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/575 was not available for the reporting period covered by this report. However, GS has in place post execution supervisory monitoring procedures which use market data, where it is available, to assess client transactions against relevant market prices and benchmarks. For products with no observable external market data other criteria are used to benchmark client transactions for monitoring purposes. This monitoring is undertaken on a systematic basis via best execution monitoring systems.

Topic 8: where applicable, an explanation of how the investment firm has used output of a consolidated tape provider established under Article 65 of Directive 2014/65/EU;

## Other instruments

Reporting Entity: GSI					
Top Five Venue Report					
Type of Client: Professional Client					
Reporting Entity: GSI					
Class of Instrument	Other instruments				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N/A				
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Top Five Broker Report Type of Client: Professional Client Reporting Entity: GSI					
Class of Instrument	Other instruments				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	N/A				
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)		Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

N/A - There are no instruments that fall into this category in 2017.