

# Derivatives Initial Margin Enhancements

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Subject to Regulatory Approval

# Agenda

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# Risk Management Overview

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## Derivatives Initial Margin Enhancements

### Overview

- LCH.Clearnet SA introduces the planned enhancements to its risk model on Initial Margin calculation for Financial Derivatives (subject to regulatory approval);
- The current Initial Margin algorithm is based on the portfolio residual balance liquidation according to various scenarios representing changes in market conditions;
- LCH.Clearnet SA uses SPAN® to perform Initial Margins calculations;
- **Scope: Financial Derivatives**
- **Target:**
  - ✓ Improvement of the inter-commodity spread credits (offsets)
  - ✓ Improvement of portfolio margining efficiency particularly for single stocks derivatives
  - ✓ Other improvements to the Initial Margin framework
- **Implementation date – November 2015**

### Enhancements to Financial Derivatives Initial Margin calculation

1. Introduction of one-factor model for Inter-commodity spread credits
2. Evolution of Index pricing model
3. Evolution of Equity pricing model

➤ LCH.Clearnet SA provides Members with parameter files to duplicate the algorithms

# Risk Management Overview

## Derivatives Initial Margin Enhancements

### Benefits

- *Improvements will lead to portfolio margining efficiencies – on average, the Initial Margin requirement decreases on Financial Derivatives while complying with the high risk standards policy of LCH.Clearnet SA:*
  - ✓ *Introduction of a one-factor model for inter-commodity spread credits*
  - ✓ *Introduction of offsets between single stock derivatives and therefore increased portfolio margining efficiencies*

### Changes

- 1) *New “Lambda parameter file ” with two additional parameters will be provided to Members*
- 2) *Additional values will be displayed in the existing fields of the SPAN® parameter file*
  - ✓ *There is no change in the layout*

# Derivatives Initial Margin Enhancements

## One-factor model

# SPAN® Enhancements

## *Inter-commodity spread credits*

### SPAN® Enhancements: Inter-commodity spread credits

#### **Concept:**

- *To enhance the offsets performance LCH.Clearnet SA introduces the one-factor model:  
All Combined Commodities are correlated to a single general risk factor (“the market”) to a certain extent*
- *This correlation will take the form of two parameters:
  - ✓ “max correlation”, so-called “ $\lambda_{max}$ ”
  - ✓ “min correlation”, so-called “ $\lambda_{min}$ ”*

*defined at Combined Commodity level\**

*\*Combined Commodity is a set of contracts having the same underlying instrument.*

- *The calculation will be displayed :*
  - ✓ *using Scan Range aggregation on the CC (Combined Commodity) level*
  - ✓ *using the Lambdas instead of existing inter-commodity spread credits on the portfolio level*

#### Changes

- Creation of “Lambda parameter file”

# SPAN® Enhancements

## Inter-commodity spread credits

### Calculation steps in SPAN® environment

- Step 1: For each of the SPAN® result scenarios (16 in the current algorithm) and for each combined commodity (with “on”/”Yes” indicator provided in “Lambda parameter file” in “Lambda Activation” column), evaluate the General Risk (**GR**) of the scenarios (**RA**)\* with  $\lambda_{\max}$  parameters:

$$GR_{\text{scenario } i, \lambda_{\max}}^{CC} = \lambda_{\max} \times RA_{\text{scenario } i}^{CC}$$

- Step 2: Sum the general risk component over all combined commodities to get the General Risk for each SPAN® scenario, at portfolio level (Margin Account):

$$GR_{\text{scenario } i, \lambda_{\max}} = \sum_{AllCC} GR_{\text{scenario } i, \lambda_{\max}}^{CC}$$

- Step 3: Take the maximum among the 16 scenarios to get the final  $GR_{\lambda_{\max}}$

$$GR_{\lambda_{\max}} = \max_i \{GR_{\text{scenario } i, \lambda_{\max}}\}$$

- Step 4: Take the square of the result

$$FinalGR_{\lambda_{\max}} = (GR_{\lambda_{\max}})^2$$

- Step 5: At result Risk Array level for a CC, take the worst of all scenarios **WS**. As a positive risk array is a loss it leads to:

$$WS_{CC, \lambda_{\max}} = \max_i \{RA_{\text{scenario } i}^{CC}, 0\}$$

- Step 6: For each Combined Commodity, consider the residuals (idiosyncratic risks, **IR**) as:

$$IR_{CC, \lambda_{\max}} = (1 - \lambda_{\max}^{CC2}) \times WS_{CC, \lambda_{\max}}^2$$

\* Risk Arrays give the theoretical future loss/gain of a derivatives contract for the market scenarios. The Scanning Risk calculation is provided on the page 15 at [SPAN\(R\) Derivatives Brochure](#)



## SPAN® Enhancements

### Inter-commodity spread credits

#### Calculation steps in SPAN® environment

- Step 7: Sum the results on all Combined Commodities:

$$IR_{\lambda_{\max}} = \sum_{AIICC} IR_{CC, \lambda_{\max}}$$

- Step 8: The  $\lambda_{\max}$  margin requirement after offsets for the set of upward correlation parameters is:

$$SRO_{\lambda_{\max}} = \sqrt{IR_{\lambda_{\max}} + FinalGR_{\lambda_{\max}}}$$

- Step 9: Perform the same calculation from step 1 to step 8, for the set of  $\lambda_{\min}$  parameters to compute  $SRO_{\lambda_{\min}}$

- Step 10: Take the maximum of the two results

$$SRO = \max \{ SRO_{\lambda_{\max}} ; SRO_{\lambda_{\min}} \}$$

- Step 11: Compare the Scan Risk at portfolio level for all CC to the resulting Scan Risk after Offset (SRO) calculated at step 10. Find the total offset percentage, **k**. This amount is by construction supposed to range from 0 to 1.

- k** is capped at 80% as per EMIR requirement (this is a parameter) depending on regulatory recommendations

$$k = \text{Min} \left( 1 - \frac{SRO}{ScanRisk^{AIICCon}} ; 80\% \right)$$

- for each combined commodity eligible to the offsets, replace the Inter-Commodity offset (ICO) field by:

$$ICO^{CC} = k \times ScanRisk^{CC}$$

- Perform the remaining calculation as usual to derive the margin requirement

# Evolution of Index pricing model

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## Financial Derivatives

### Index pricing model

#### ▪ **Concept:**

- ✓ *Use of the Future prices in the Index Options valuation formula*
- ✓ *For Index options the Future price corresponding to the same maturity will be used:*
  - *if the future's and the option's maturities are the same*
  - *otherwise, if the corresponding maturity does not exist, the model computes the theoretical future from the Parity Call-Put or linear interpolation.*

### Changes

- The SPAN® parameter file will display additional values in the following records:
  - ✓ Record 4B: array calculation parameters
  - ✓ Records 81, 82, 83

# Evolution of Equity pricing model

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## Financial Derivatives

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### Equity pricing model

- **Concept:**

- ✓ *Improvements to the Cox Ross Rubinstein (CRR) pricing model*

- ✓ *Inclusion of dividend in the node value instead of the probability in the CRR model*

### Changes

- No technical impacts on reports or parameters files
- The enhancement to the Equity pricing model will be displayed on the website:

[SA Derivatives Margin Methodology](#) in “Option Valuation Formula” section

# Parameters files

## Parameters files

*Updated documents for Members*

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### Technical documentation provided to Members

- Technical documentation for Members:  
On the Secure Area at [LCH.Clearnet Secure Area](#)
  - in « Clearing Specifications » section – “Members reports for the derivatives markets” document;
  - in « SPAN® » section – « SPAN® parameter public file »;
  
- Risk Parameters Files for Members:  
On LCH.Clearnet SA website at [Cash & Derivatives Public Files](#)
  - in « Risk Parameters Files LCH.Clearnet SA » section;
  - in « SPAN® Files LCH.Clearnet SA » section – « SPAN® parameter file »;
  - in « Lambda Files LCH.Clearnet SA » section – « Lambda parameter file »;
  
- The derivative markets member reports are made available to members via LCAPs and eCCW®

# Parameters files

## 1. Lambda parameter file

### Parameter files

- 1) « Lambda parameter file »
- 2) Updated « SPAN® parameter public file »

### 1. Lambda parameter file

✓ The “Lambda parameter file” contains the following data:

- ✓ Combined Commodity code
- ✓  $\lambda_{acv}$ , “activation indicator”
- ✓  $\lambda_{min}$ , “Lambda min correlation”
- ✓  $\lambda_{max}$ , “Lambda max correlation”

Combined Commodity	Lambda Activation	Lambda Min	Lambda Max
FCE	Y	0,80	1,00
AEX	N	0,80	0,94
BXF	Y	0,80	0,92
AI	N	0,80	0,89
CS	Y	0,79	0,88
SU	N	0,79	0,88
BNP	Y	0,75	0,85
FP	N	0,73	0,84
SGO	Y	0,73	0,84
GLE	N	0,72	0,83
GAZ	Y	0,71	0,83
DG	N	0,69	0,81
CA	Y	0,68	0,81
OR	N	0,67	0,80



# Parameters files

## 2. Updated SPAN® parameter public file

### 2. SPAN® parameter file will display additional values in the following records

- ✓ Record 4B with new FUT synthetic with a maturity linked to the option OOP
- ✓ Records 81, 82, 83 will be created with the new synthetic FUT with corresponding maturity



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0 MONEP 20141111SF      201411111908UPNNXMRGN      C CUST H HEDGE 1 CORE M MAINT
1 MNP MP
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P MNPÆX OOP AEX      007007 0000100000000000000000001EURESTDDEUROPAUEQTY
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C AEX 1001020000004010101B02D101A
C AEX 10020200000012010101A02D0201B
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C AEX 10040200000037010201A02D0301B
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C AEX 10070200000038010101A02D0401B
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LCH.Clearnet SA creates a synthetic future with the same maturity date of the option

**Warning: These records will be impacted by other projects**



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