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TITLE A General provisions

Article A.1.1.1 Definitions

1. The following definitions shall apply to these *Instructions*:

«BCS»: the electronic application that *Euronext Clearing* makes available to *Members of the Derivatives Sections* by the methods indicated in the *Technical Manual*, that makes *Reports* and *Data Files* available and allows access to the clearing system in order to carry out transactions.

«Cascading»: mechanism allowing for the Final Settlement solely for the Monthly Futures contract, by progressively reducing the Futures having longer Delivery Periods to Monthly contracts.

«DCA RTGS»: the Dedicated Cash Account RTGS held by a participant to the *T2 System* held by a participant to the *T2 System*.

«Segregated DCA RTGS»: the *DCA RTGS* held by the *Settlement Agent* for the obligations to be performed by a sole *Clearing Member*.

«FIRE»: the part of the *Services Manual* containing the method of calculating the initial *Margins* used by *Euronext Clearing* for the *Bond Section*, applicable only in respect to Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, and Irish government bonds, and which is available to *Members* on the basis of the specific functions indicated in said manual.

«Group»: a banking group as defined by Article 60 of the Consolidated Law on Banking or a group in accordance with Article 11 of the Consolidated Law on Finance and the related implementing provisions.

«Data Files»: files in a processable format forwarded through the *Technological Infrastructure*, indicated in the *Technical Manual*.

«ICWS»: the electronic application provided by **Euronext Clearing** to Members by the methods indicated in the Technical Manual, which makes Reports and Data Files available and enables documents and transaction requests to be sent.

«Technological Infrastructure»: the set of electronic applications, comprising the *BCS* and the *ICWS*, enabling *Members*



to carry out transactions with *Euronext Clearing* and to receive clearing information for BITA Sections. With reference to the Euronext Equity Section the Technological Infrastructure includes also the WCS, API, FTP, FIX electronic applications.

«Liquidity Provider»: means a *Clearing Member* or a *Trading Client,* who has been authorized by the *Management Company*, to support market liquidity of a particular *Financial Instrument on cash market,* in accordance with the rules of the *Market.*

«Liquidity Provider Position Account»: means the *Clearing Member's Position Account*, opened in addition to its *House Position Account* and *Client Position Accounts*, where *Positions* pertaining to the liquidity provider activities of the *Clearing Member* or of its *Trading Client* are registered. *Liquidity Provider Position Accounts* are available only in respect to the *Euronext Equity Section*.

«Equity VAR»: the part of the *Services Manual* containing the method of calculating the initial *Margins* used by *Euronext Clearing* for the *BITA Share Section, the Equity Derivatives Section and the Euronext Equity Sections*, and available to *Members* on the basis of the specific functions indicated in the *Equity VAR* manual.

«BCS Manual»: the part of the *Services Manual* containing the *BCS* rules and information enabling *Members* to operate the *BCS*.

«Default Fund Manual»: the part of the *Services Manual* containing information on the method for determining payments to the *Default Funds*.

«ICWS Manual»: the part of the Services Manual containing the ICWS rules and information enabling *Members* to operate the *ICWS*.

«Manual for the creation of net balances for the ICSDs»: the part of the *Services Manual* containing the rules on the creation of the balances to be sent to the *Settlement Systems* managed by *Foreign Entities*;

«Technical Manual»: the part of the *Services Manual* containing a description of information forwarded by *Euronext Clearing* to *Members* and *Settlement Agents* through the *Technological Infrastructure*.

«Market Maker»: a *Member* listed in the "register of derivatives market maker" held by Borsa Italiana S.p.A., that undertakes to



support the liquidity of financial instruments traded in the IDEM market.

«MMeG»: the part of the *Services Manual* containing the methods of calculating the initial *Margins* used by *Euronext Clearing*-for the *Agricultural Commodity Derivatives Section*, that *Members* can replicate on the basis of the functions indicated in said manual.

«MMeL»: the part of the *Services Manual* containing the methods of calculating the initial *Margins* used by *GG&G* for the *Energy Derivatives Section*, that *Members* can perform on the basis of the specific functions indicated in the said manual.

«MVP»: the part of the *Services Manual* containing the method of calculating the initial *Margins* used by *Euronext Clearing* for the *Bond Section*, available to *Members* on the basis of the specific functions indicated in the *MVP* manual. The *MVP* method shall not apply to *Financial Instruments* subject to FIRE method.

«Delivery Period»: indicates the period of supply established by the *Contractual Scheme* for the futures contract on electric energy.

«Ordinary Position»: the set of obligations and rights arising from a contract (i.e. the *Position*) between the date of stipulation of the said contract and the term provided in the *Contractual Scheme* for its execution.

«Notice of Payment»: The notice of ancillary procedure E containing information on sums due from the *Clearing Member* or their cash *Settlement Agent*.

«Disagreement Procedure»: The procedure by which the *Settlement Agent* for cash payments, *mandated by Clearing Member*, may request the revocation of a payment instruction forwarded to *T2 System* by the *Euronext Clearing* Ancillary System or may not allow the charging of the amounts shown in the request for additional intraday *Margins* in financial instruments referred to in Article B.3.1.2 paragraph 2 of the *Instructions*.

«Daily Settlement»: the daily settlement indicated at article B.5.1.1 of the *Regulations*.

«Reports»: the tabulated data, described in the *Technical Manual*, provided through the *Technological Infrastructure*.



«RNI»: the electronic transmission interbanking infrastructure of data relating to the Italian payment system, managed by the Società Interbancaria per l'Automazione (SIA-SSB).

«Series»: the *Derivative Financial Instruments* with the same characteristics (underlying assets, maturity, and, where applicable, strike right and price).

«Trading System»: the electronic trading system for a *Market*.

«Centralized Depository Company»: a company that provides the *Centralized Depository Service*.

«Market Maker sub-account»: sub-account of the house account opened by *Euronext Clearing* pursuant to Article B.2.1.7, paragraph 1, letter b), intended exclusively for the recording of *Positions* negotiated by a *Member* recognized as a "*Market Maker*" in *Derivative Financial Instruments* as defined in the relevant *Management Company's* regulations.

«Specialist sub-account»: sub-account of the third account opened by *Euronext Clearing* pursuant to Article B.2.1.7, paragraph 1, letter a) intended exclusively for the recording of *Positions* negotiated by a Member recognized as a "specialist" in *Derivative Financial Instruments* as defined in the relevant *Management Company's* regulations.

«Specialist»: a *Member* listed in the "Register of derivatives specialists" held by Borsa Italiana S.p.A..

«WCS »: the web application provided by *Euronext Clearing* to *Members of the Euronext Equity Section* by the methods indicated in the *Technical Manual*, which makes *Reports* and *Data Files* available and enables data visualization and transaction requests to be sent.

«API»: application interfaces that *Euronext Clearing* makes available to *Members* of the *Euronext Equity Section* by the methods indicated in the *Technical Manual*, that allow interoperability between the clearing system and *Member*'s applications. The APIs make Reports and *Data Files* available and allow access to the clearing system in order to carry out transactions.

«FIX Protocol»: the electronic communications protocol enabling *Members* of the Euronext Equity Section to receive real-time trade



confirmation messages concerning transactions carried out on the Euronext markets.

«SFTP»: channel enabling Members of the Euronext Equity Section to retrieve Reports generated by the Clearing System.

2. The definitions set out under Article A.1.1.1 of the *Regulations* shall be understood as fully applicable to the present *Instructions*, with the same meaning.



TITLE B Central Counterparty System

CHAPTER B.1 Membership

Heading B.1.1 Membership

Article B.1.1.1 Requirements for *Clearing Members*

- 1. Legal persons that intend to join one or more *Sections* or modify or obtain a new membership qualification within the same *Section* of the *System* as *Clearing Members* or that intend to request to distinguish the operations of their own *Organizational Unit* must submit to *Euronext Clearing*:
 - a)a "Request for Services" using the form provided by *Euronext Clearing*, available through the *Euronext Clearing* Internet site (www.euronext.com/it/posttrade/euronextclearing);

b)the following documentation/information:

- share structure and the *Group* the company belongs to;
- membership of other central counterparty guarantee systems;
- place of the Clearing office;
- the referents indicated at Article B.2.1.2, paragraph 14, of the *Regulations*:
- whether or not an application is made to activate the "Daily statement of payments" indicated at Article B.9.1.2;
- where the application concerns membership of both the Equity Derivatives Section and the BITA Share Section, whether separate margin calculation between Sections is activated as indicated at Article B.3.1.1, paragraph 3;
- the last approved financial statement and the most recent quarterly or half-year report;



- a description of the company's and parent company's activities and their risk management and back-office structure;
- a copy of the last rating issued to the company and/or the parent company;
- c) with regard to the asset requirements:
 - a declaration attesting to the applicant's Supervisory Capital;
 - any guarantee as indicated at compliant with the contractual form available through the *Euronext Clearing*'s website;
- d) concerning obligations that must be fulfilled in Euros, including the settlement of the amounts due as a penalty pursuant to Article B.5.3.5 of the Regulations:
 - a notification of the pre-selected methods of fulfilment, directly or through a *Settlement Agent*:
 - any agreement with a Settlement Agent for cash, compliant with the contractual form available through the Euronext Clearing's website;
 - the "Settlement Bank Account Group" form of the European Central Bank, available from the www.ecb.eu website that allows Euronext Clearing to debit the DCA RTGS in T2 System of the Clearing Member or its Settlement Agent;
- e) with respect to the execution of obligations to be fulfilled with the *Settlement Service*:
 - a notification of the pre-selected method of fulfilment, directly or through a Settlement Agent:
 - any agreement with a Settlement Agent for settlement compliant with the contractual form available through the Euronext Clearing's website;



- in the event of participation in the ICSD Bond Section, the mandate given to Euronext Clearing, signed by the Clearing Member or the Settlement Agent, if any, for the transmission of the transaction settlement instructions indicated in Annex B.117;
- in the event of participation in the ICSD Bond Section, an indication of the details of the accounts to be used for settlement opened with the Settlement Service; in the event of participation in Sections other than the ICSD Bond Section, Euronext Clearing acquires from the Settlement Service details of the settlement accounts that will be used for operations on each Section;
- f) with respect to the *Margins in Financial Instruments*:
 - a notification of whether the Margin in Financial Instruments are handled whether directly or through a Settlement Agent pre-selected:
 - details of the securities accounts in the Central Depositary Service for the withdraw of Margins in Financial Instruments; and details of the cash account for the payment of the amounts deriving from cash distribution on Financial Instruments deposited as Margins;
 - any agreement with the Settlement Agent compliant with the contractual form available through the Euronext Clearing's website;
- g) with respect to the *Technological Infrastructure*:
 - the form for activation of the *ICWS*;
 - the form for activation of the BCS, in the case of membership of one or more the Derivatives Sections.
- h) the names of the persons appointed to perform the management activities exercisable non-electronically, using the form indicated in Annex B.111, and the names of the persons authorized to request the suspension of *Trading Clients* from participation in *Section(s)* in accordance with



Article B.2.3.3, of the Regulations, using the form indicated in Annex B.122B.

- 2.The information indicated at paragraph 1, letter a), shall be forwarded, in original, by means of registered letter with return receipt or by courier, and sent in advance by e-mail. The information under letter c), second subsection, d) second subsection, e) second and third subsection, f) third subsection, and h), shall be transmitted, alternatively, via e-mail in the form of a Pdf document duly signed by the contractual representative of the *Clearing Member* as specified under the *Request for services* or in the Contract Representative Change/Supplement form or by using the "import function" available through the *Euronext Clearing* Internet site (www.euronext.com/it/post-trade/euronextclearing).
- 3. The information indicated at paragraph 1, letter b), first six subsections, c) first subsection, d) first subsection, e) first and forth subsection, f) first and second subsections, and g), must be forwarded electronically using the modules available through the *Euronext Clearing* Internet site (website (<u>www.euronext.com/it/post-trade/euronext-clearing</u>), subject to provisions of Annex B.114, for legal entities operating under mutual recognition, with reference to *Supervisory Capital* information of paragraph 1, letter c).
- 4. The information indicated at paragraph 1, letter b), seventh and subsequent subsections, may be sent either electronically, using the "import function" available through the *Euronext Clearing* Internet site website (<u>www.euronext.com/it/post-trade/euronext-clearing</u>), or alternatively by registered letter with return receipt or by courier.
- 5. The form indicated at paragraph 1, letter d) third subsection, must receive by *Euronext Clearing* by e-mail, with signature authorised by the competent central bank. The form will be countersigned by *Euronext Clearing* and re-submitted by e-mail to the *Member* or to the *Settlement Agent* who, in turn, shall forward it to the competent central bank. The process will be finalized with the successful registration of the Settlement Bank Account Group in the *T2 System*. *Euronext Clearing* will also send the original form, if so requested by the competent central bank.



- 6. Receipt by *Euronext Clearing* of the complete documentation as indicated above is a condition for examination of the Request for Services.
- 7. Where the proposed applicant has declared in the documents sent to *Euronext Clearing* referred to in paragraph 1, that it intends to avail itself of the guarantee set out in Article B.2.1.2. paragraph 5 of the *Regulations*, membership shall be subject to the *Euronext Clearing*'s acceptance of such a guarantee.
- 8. In order to be admitted to the *Share and Bond Sections*, *Clearing Members* must have joined the *Pre-settlement Service*, referred to in Article B.11.1.1.
- 9. Clearing Members of the Equity Derivatives Section that intend to operate on Derivative Financial Instruments with "delivery" of underlying assets must have joined the Pre-settlement Service, referred to in Article B.11.1.1.
- 10. The *Clearing Members* to *Share, Bond* and *Equity Derivatives Section*, must participate in the *Presettlement Service* referred to in Article B.11.1.1., also on behalf of the *Trading Clients* for whom they assume the role of *General Clearing Member*.
- 11.If the *Clearing Members* to *Share, Bond* and *Equity Derivatives Sections*, avail themselves of a *Settlement Agent* to join the *Settlement Services* pursuant to Article B.2.1.2, paragraph 7, letter c), of the *Regulations*, the latter must join the *Presettlement Service* referred to in Article 15B.11.1.1.
- 12. The referents indicated at Article B.2.1.2., paragraph 14, of the *Regulations*, the names of whom have been indicated by the *Clearing Member* in the documentation provided by paragraph 1, letter b) are understood as entitled to receive all individual communications (of an operational character) from *Euronext Clearing* to the *Member* itself.
- 13.*Clearing Members* must send *Euronext Clearing* the following information on *Clients* other than *Trading Clients*:
 - the confirmation of the signature of the agreement signed with the *Client*, compliant with the contractual form available through the Euronext Clearing's website with separate evidence of the *Clients* identification details;
 - the name of a person to be the contact person at the *Client* in the event of the *Clearing Member's* default;



- the *Group* the *Client* belongs to.

The information specified in the first two subsections must be forwarded, in original, by means of registered letter with return receipt or by courier, and sent in advance by email; the information specified in the third and fourth subsections must be forwarded electronically, using the forms drawn up by *Euronext Clearing* and available on *Euronext Clearing's* Internet site (www.euronext.com/it/post-trade/euronext-clearing).

Article B.1.1.1-bis Requirements for Clearing Members (for the Euronext Equity Section)

- 1.Legal persons that intend to join the *Euronext Equity Section* shall submit to *Euronext Clearing:*
 - a) a "Request for Services" using the form provided by *Euronext Clearing*, available through the *Euronext Clearing* Internet site (<u>www.euronext.com/it/post-trade/euronext-clearing</u>).
 - b) the following documentation/information:
 - -share structure and the *Group* the company belongs to;
 - membership of other central counterparty guarantee systems;
 - place of the Clearing office;
 - the referents indicated at Article B.2.1.2, paragraph 14, of the *Regulations;*
 - -the last approved financial statement and the most recent quarterly or half-year report;
 - a description of the company's and parent company's activities and their risk management and back-office structure;
 - a copy of the last rating issued to the company and/or the parent company;



- -the form outlining the *Clearing Member's Account Structure* set up, determined in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 3.0 of Part 3 of the Regulations;
- -the systematic posting choices for registration of *Positions*, pursuant to Article B.3.1.2, paragraph 3 of the Regulations;
- a) with regard to the asset requirements:
 - a declaration attesting to the applicant's Supervisory Capital;

 -any guarantee as indicated at compliant with the contractual form available through Euronext Clearing's website;

- b) With reference to the execution of securities settlement obligations, the *Clearing Member* is required to open at least one *Delivery Account* per *Settlement Address*. To this purpose, the Clearing Member shall provide *Euronext Clearing* with the following information:
 - a notification of the relevant selected Settlement platform/system for the settlement of financial instruments: (i) Target 2 Securities; and/or (ii) Euroclear Bank;
 - a notification concerning the selected Central Depository(ies) of reference participating to T2S settlement platform and/or the Euroclear Bank, related to the settlement of financial instruments, as indicated in Article B.13.1.1bis. of these Instructions;
 - -any agreement with a Settlement Agent for securities, compliant with the contractual form available through Euronext Clearing's website;
 - an indication of the details of the securities accounts to be used for settlement opened with the relevant Settlement Service, as indicated in Article B.13.1.1. of these Instructions participating to T2S settlement platform and/or with Euroclear Bank;



- -the power of attorney granted to Euronext Clearing, signed by the Clearing Member or the Settlement Agent, if any, for the transmission of the settlement instructions to the selected Settlement Services of reference, as indicated in Article B.13.1.1bis of these Instructions, participating to T2S settlement platform or to Euroclear Bank as indicated in Annex B.117bis;
- c)concerning obligations that must be fulfilled in Euro, including the settlement of the amounts due as a penalty pursuant to Article B.5.3.5 of the Regulations:
 - a notification of the pre-selected methods of fulfilment, directly or through a Settlement Agent;
 - -any agreement with a Settlement Agent for cash, compliant with the contractual form available through the Euronext Clearing's website;
 - -the "Settlement Bank Account Group" form" of the European Central Bank, available from the www.ecb.eu website that allows *Euronext Clearing* to debit the *DCA RTGS in T2 System* of the *Clearing Member* or its *Settlement Agent*;

d)with respect to the *Margins in Financial Instruments*:

- a notification of whether the Margin in Financial Instruments are handled directly or through a Settlement Agent pre-selected;
- details of the cash account for the payment of the amounts deriving from cash distribution on *Financial Instruments* deposited as *Margins;*
- any agreement with the Settlement Agent compliant with the contractual form available through the Euronext Clearing's website;
- e) with respect to the *Technological Infrastructure*:
 - the form for activation of the WCS platform;
 - the form for activation of the API;
 - the form for activation of the SFTP protocol;



- the form for activation of the FIX Protocol;

which are made available to *Clearing Members* through the *Member Portal.*

- f)the names of the persons appointed to perform the management activities exercisable non-electronically, in the event of malfunctioning of the *Technological Infrastructure*, by using the form indicated in Annex B.111bis.
- 2. The information indicated at paragraph 1, letter a) shall be forwarded, in original, by means of registered letter with return receipt or by courier, and sent in advance by e-mail. The information indicated under paragraph 1 from letter b) to h) above shall be transmitted, alternatively, via e-mail in the form duly signed by document of Pdf the contractual а representative of the Clearing Member as specified under the Request for meservices or in the Contract Representative Change/Supplement form or by using the "import function" through Euronext Clearing's available website (www.euronext.com/it/post-trade/euronext-clearing).
- 3. The form indicated at paragraph 1, letter d) third subsection, must be sent in advance by e-mail, and received by *Euronext Clearing* using the following alternative methods:

- by registered letter with return receipt or by courier. The form must bear a signature corresponding to the The form will be countersigned by *Euronext Clearing* and re-submitted by e-mail to the Member or to the *Settlement Agent* who, in turn, shall forward it to the competent central bank. The process will be finalized with the successful registration of the *Settlement Bank Account Group* in the *T2 System*. *Euronext Clearing* will also send the original form, if so requested by the competent central bank.

- 4.Receipt by *Euronext Clearing* of the complete documentation as indicated above is a condition for examination of the Request for Services.
- 5. Where the proposed applicant has declared in the documents sent to *Euronext Clearing* referred to in paragraph 1, that it intends to avail itself of the guarantee set out in Article B.2.1.2. paragraph 5 of the *Regulations*, membership shall be



subject to the *Euronext Clearing*'s acceptance of such a guarantee.

- 6.The referents indicated at Article B.2.1.2., paragraph 14, of the *Regulations*, the names of whom have been indicated by the *Clearing Member* in the documentation provided by paragraph 1, letter b) are understood as entitled to receive all individual communications (of an operational character) from *Euronext Clearing* to the *Member* itself.
- 7.Clearing Members must send Euronext Clearing the following information on Clients other than Trading Clients admitted on Italian Markets:
 - Confirmation concerning the signature of the agreement signed with the *Client(s)*, compliant with the contractual form available through Euronext Clearing's website with separate evidence of the *Clients* identification details;
 - the name of a person to be the contact person at the *Client* in the event of the *Clearing Member's* default;
 - the *Group* the *Client* belongs to.
- 8.*Clearing Members* admitted to the *Euronext Equity Section* which intend to modify or obtain a new membership qualification within the same Section or that intend to request to distinguish the operations of their own Organizational Unit shall send Euronext Clearing the following information : (i) the trading venues managed by the *Management Companies* set out under Article B.10.1.3-bis whereby they intend to act as a *Clearing Member* as well as the intended membership profile as provided under the table set out under *Annex* B.111Abis; (ii) the form set out in the same Annex outlining the *Clearing Member's Account Structure* set up, determined in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 3.0 of Part 3 of the *Regulations; (iii) the* information concerning the securities settlement set-up set out under paragraph 1 letter d) above.

Article B.1.1.2 Requirements for *Trading Clients*



- 1. Legal persons that intend to join the *System* as *Trading Clients admitted to Italian Markets* in one or more *Sections* must submit to *Euronext Clearing:*
 - a) an "Request for Services" using the form provided by *Euronext Clearing* and available through the *Euronext Clearing* Internet site (<u>www.euronext.com/it/post-</u> <u>trade/euronext-clearing</u>);
 - b) the following documentation/information:
 - share structure and the *Group* the company belongs to;
 - c) with respect to the *Technological Infrastructure*:
 - the form for activation of the BCS, in the case of membership of one or more the Derivatives Sections;
 - the form for activation of the ICWS, in the event of membership in the Derivatives Sections, and if the General Clearing Member has enabled the Trading Client admitted to Italian Markets to receive Reports and Data Files, pursuant to paragraph 2, fourth subsection.
 - d) in the event of membership on the *Derivatives Section*, the form provided at Annex B.112 including the names of the persons appointed to perform the management activities exercisable non-electronically, delegated by *General Clearing Member* in accordance with Article B.1.2.3, paragraphs 1 and 2.
- 2. The *General Clearing Member* must forward to *Euronext Clearing* the following documentation/information relating to the *Trading Client admitted to Italian Markets*:
 - the agreement signed with the *Trading Client admitted to Italian Markets*, compliant with the contractual form available through the *Euronext Clearing*'s website;
 - the referents indicated at Article B.2.1.2, paragraph 14, of the *Regulations*;



- where membership concerns either the *Share Section* or the *Equity Derivatives Section*, the request or otherwise to activate margination separately between the *Sections* indicated at B.3.1.1, paragraph 3;
- the (possible) enabling of the *Trading Client admitted to Italian Markets* to receive *Reports* and *Data Files;*
- with respect solely to the *Equity Derivatives Section*, the settlement accounts that the *General Clearing Member* intends to use for the *Trading Client admitted to Italian Markets* who uses its services;
- with respect only to the *Equity Derivatives Section*, whether or not it intends to deposit shares to cover the positions of the *Trading Client admitted to Italian Markets*.
- 3. The information indicated at paragraph 1, letters a) and d), and paragraph 2, first subsection, must be forwarded, in original, by means of registered letter with return receipt or by courier, and sent in advance by email.
- 4. The information indicated at paragraph 1(b), first subsection, 1(c) and paragraph 2, second and following subsections, must be forwarded electronically, using the forms available through the *Euronext Clearing* Internet site (www.euronext.com/it/post-trade/euronext-clearing).
- 5. The receipt by *Euronext Clearing* of the complete documentation indicated above is a condition for the examination of the Request for Services.
- 6. The provisions of the preceding paragraphs shall also apply in cases where legal persons who are already *Trading Clients* admitted to Italian Markets of the *System* intend to join a further *Section* in the same capacity or request the separation of operations of one of their *Organisational Units*.
- 7. The referents indicated by the *General Clearing Member* pursuant to paragraph 2, second subsection, are understood as entitled to receive all individual communications (of an operational character) from *Euronext Clearing* to the *Member* itself.



8. The *General Clearing Member* shall promptly notify *Euronext Clearing* the confirmation of the signature of the contract entered into pursuant to Article B.2.3.1-bis with a *Trading Client admitted to Euronext Legacy Markets*.

Article B.1.1.3 Notifications upon membership

- 1. Upon attaining membership, *Euronext Clearing* shall notify:
 - a) the *Member* of acceptance of the Request for Services, with an indication of the day from which the service shall be provided to the *Member*. In the case of *Trading Clients*, *admitted to Italian Markets* notification is also provided to the *General Clearing Member* whose services it uses;
 - b) the *Member* of the access code for the System. In the case of a *Trading Client*, *admitted to Italian Markets*, the *General Clearing Member* whose services it uses shall also be notified of the code.
 - c) the *Member* and *Guarantor* of acceptance of any guarantee pursuant to Article B.1.1.1, and Article B.2.1.2 paragraph 4, of the *Regulations*.

Article B.1.1.4 Maintenance of membership requirements and Members' obligations

- 1. *Members* must forward updates of the membership information indicated in Annex B.114 and/or B.114bis to *Euronext Clearing* at the times and under the circumstances provided for therein, using the forms provided by *Euronext Clearing* available through the *Euronext Clearing* Internet site (www.euronext.com/it/post-trade/euronext-clearing).
- 2. Any amendment of settlement accounts relating to positions in the *Equity Derivatives Section*, concerning *Trading Clients*, and of settlement accounts relating to positions in the *ICSD Bond Section* must be notified electronically to the *Clearing Member* using the forms available through the *Euronext Clearing* Internet



site (<u>www.euronext.com/it/post-trade/euronext-clearing</u>), at least 5 *Euronext Clearing open days* using the new accounts.

- 3. Any change in the appointments of Referents and Delegates with management powers exercisable in non-electronic form must be notified by the same methods as used in the application phase, and shall have effect, unless agreed otherwise, from the second *Euronext Clearing open day* after that in which the notice is received by *Euronext Clearing*, or on a subsequent date indicated by the *Member* in said notification.
- 4. *Members* are obliged to notify *Euronext Clearing*, of any failure to maintain membership requirements within the same day in which the said failure has occurred, or has been verified, in order for *Euronext Clearing* to promptly undertake the consequent measures provided for by the *Regulations*. The notification shall be made by registered letter with return receipt, advanced via email.
- 5.For entities based in the United Kingdom, which are *Members* of the *System*, or that intend to apply for membership to the *System*, the conditions and requirements laid down in Article B.2.1.1 paragraph 3 and Article B.2.1.2, paragraphs 12 and 13 of the *Rules* shall be considered met until the 30th of June 2025.

Article B.1.1.5 Supervisory Capital Guarantee

- 1. Pursuant to Article B.2.1.2 paragraph 5 of the *Regulations*, *Euronext Clearing* shall notify the *Member* of the date in which the guaranteed agreement has been concluded and shall therefore have effect.
- 2. The guarantee pursuant to Article B.2.1.2, paragraph 4 of the *Regulations,* must be forwarded by the *Guarantor*, using the contractual forms available through the *Euronext Clearing*'s website.
- 3. The supplementary deeds of the guarantee shall have effect from the moment in which *Euronext Clearing*, upon verification of their validity, notifies the *Member* and the *Guarantor* of their acceptance.



- 4. Any withdrawal from the guarantee indicated in the preceding paragraphs must be communicated by registered letter with return receipt, sent in advance via email, with prior notice of at least 90 calendar days.
- 5. *Euronext Clearing* shall notify the *Guarantor* if it is informed that the *Member's Supervisory Capital* has fallen below the necessary minimum limit for the deposit of the guarantee indicated at Article B.2.1.2, paragraph 4 of the *Regulations*. In such a case, the withdrawal indicated at paragraph 4 may be exercised with a shortened notice period, although not less than 10 calendar days.

Article B.1.1.6 Relations with the Settlement Agent

- 1. In respect to BITA Sections, without prejudice to Article B.2.1.2, paragraphs 8 and 9 of the *Regulations*, *Clearing Members* may limit the responsibilities of the *Settlement Agent* to one or more *Sections* of which it is a member and/or to one or more *Trading Clients* and/or *Clients* for which it operates, reserving the right to act directly in relation to the remaining activities.
- 2. The *Settlement Agent* may withdraw from the agreement indicated at the contractual form available through the *Euronext Clearing*'s website, by giving at least ten *Euronext Clearing* open days' notice to the *Clearing Member*. On the day in which the said notification is received, the *Clearing Member* shall forward notice of the said withdrawal to *Euronext Clearing* via email, confirmed by registered letter with return receipt.
- 3. If the *Clearing Member* intends to grant or withdraw a mandate to a *Settlement Agent*, it must forward the following information/documentation to *Euronext Clearing*, by the fifth *Euronext Clearing open day* preceding that in which it wishes the amendment to take effect:
 - a) an appropriate communication of the change, to be sent electronically using the firms available through the *Euronext Clearing* Internet site (www.euronext.com/it/post-trade/euronext-clearing).
 - b) any new agreement signed with the *Settlement Agent*, compiled in accordance with the outline provided at the



contractual form available through the *Euronext Clearing*'s website. The agreement must be forwarded, in original, by registered post with return receipt or by courier, and sent in advance via email.

- 4. If the amendment indicated at paragraphs 2 and 3 gives rise to the termination of an existing agreement, the communications forwarded by the *Clearing Member* shall be understood as also made on behalf of the relevant *Settlement Agent* and shall have the effect of abrogating the said agreement.
- 5. *Euronext Clearing* shall notify the *Member* and the *Settlement Agent* of the date from which the requested change shall enter into force, confirming, where possible, the date indicated in the communication.
- 6. *The Clearing Member* shall be suspended from the *System* or from the *Section* if due to problems in the implementation of the changes provided for in paragraph 2 and 3 it is not possible to promptly ensure the correct execution of its obligations.
- 7. During the period of notice indicated at paragraphs 2 and 3 the *Settlement Agent* continues to fulfil the *Clearing Member's* obligations. The period of notice of withdrawal established in preceding paragraphs may be reduced by agreement between the *Settlement Agent*, the *Clearing Member* and *Euronext Clearing*.
- 8. If a *Settlement Agent* for cash intends to activate the *Disagreement Procedure* to revoke one or more payment instructions, they must immediately contact *Euronext Clearing* and the *Clearing Member* concerned and, prior telephone notification, forward to *Euronext Clearing* via *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction, via e-mail or fax, the form set out at Annex B.116A, under the terms indicated therein, signed by the legal representative or person vested with the necessary powers. The *Settlement Agent* must concomitantly send a copy of the notification to the *Clearing Member* concerned.
- 9. In respect to BITA Sections If the *Settlement Agent* for cash intends to trigger the *Disagreement Procedure* in order not to allow any charging of the amounts stated in the request for additional intraday *Margins* in financial instruments referred to in Article B.3.1.2(2) of the *Instructions*, the *Settlement Agent* for cash must immediately contact *Euronext Clearing* and the *Clearing Member* concerned and, after giving telephone notice, transmit to *Euronext Clearing* via *ICWS* or, in case of its malfunctioning, e-mail or by fax, the form referred to in Annex



B.116C within the time limits stated in the request, signed by the legal representative or a duly empowered person. A copy of the notice must be sent at the same time by the *Settlement Agent* for cash to the *Clearing Member* concerned. In case the financial instruments deposited by the *Clearing Member* are unsuitable or insufficient, the *Settlement Agent* for cash cannot activate the *Disagreement Procedure* with regard to charging of the amounts to be supplied in cash referred to in Article B.3.1.2, paragraph 2, point c) after the term within which the Member should have deposited the financial instruments.

- 10. In order to enable *Euronext Clearing* to manage the Disagreement Procedure indicated at paragraph 8, the Settlement Agent must ensure that Euronext Clearing receives, in original, a specimen signature of persons authorized to sian the communication set out at Annex B.116A, using the form set out at Annex B.116B, at the time the Agreement is signed with the Clearing Member, and subsequently in the event of any change of authorized persons. If no specimen is provided, Euronext Clearing shall not act on the request to revoke debits provided by the Disagreement Procedure.
- 11. The *Disagreement Procedure* shall not be activated to revoke payment instructions submitted on segregated *DCA RTGS*.
- 12.In case of impossibility of fulfilment, including outside the period of notice, and subject to the provisions of paragraphs 8 and 10, the *Settlement Agent* shall immediately notify *Euronext Clearing*.
- 13.*Euronext Clearing* shall acknowledge the notification received pursuant paragraphs 8 and 12 and of any insufficiency of the *DCA RTGS* pursuant to paragraph 11, without any obligation to verify its grounds, propriety or the reasons and shall adopt the consequent measures according to the provisions of the *Regulations*.
- 14.When the *Clearing Member* intends to use several *Settlement Agents* for *Margins* of different *Sections*, the *Member* must separate these operations by attributing them to a specific *Organisational Unit.*
- 15.In respect to Sections of the System other than Euronext Equity Section, When the *Clearing Member* avails itself of a *Settlement Agent* with the *Settlement Services* the same may appoint a different *Settlement Agent for each Section and* different *Settlement Agents for different Trading Clients,* compatibly with the limits of the *Settlement Services.* For the BITA *Share,* BITA



Bond Sections and BITA *Equity Derivatives* the *Clearing Member* has to request to the *Settlement Agent* to join the *Presettlement Service* on his behalf, pursuant to in Article B.11.1.1.

Article B.1.1.6-bis Relations with the *Settlement Agent* in respect to *Euronext Equity Section*

- 1.Solely applicable to the Euronext Equity Section, for the fulfilment of the obligations specified within Article B.2.1.2 paragraph 8 and 9 of the *Regulations*, a *Clearing Member* may separately entrust one or several *Settlement Agent(s)*, in compliance with the following provisions.
- 2.In compliance with the terms of the contractual forms referenced in paragraph 3, a *Clearing Member* shall define the mandate awarded to each *Settlement Agent*. To that end, a *Clearing Member* may limit the responsibilities of the *Settlement Agent*, reserving the right to act directly in relation to the remaining activities.
- 3.At its sole discretion, a *Clearing Member* is entitled to entrust one Settlement Agent,
 - a)per *Delivery Account* for the purpose of final settlement of *Positions* in the relevant eligible *Settlement Service*, as defined in Article B.13.1.1. Bis of these Instructions, and/or;
 - b)per *Collateral Account* for the purpose of cash payments (i.e. cash payments to cover Margins liabilities, cash payments to Default Fund and all contractually provided charges) and/or;
 - c)per *Collateral Account* for the purpose of Financial Instruments transferred as Collateral and any related cash payments in the eligible Central Depository, as defined in Article B.12.1.1. Bis of these Instructions.
- 4.A *Clearing Member* shall enter into an agreement with its *Settlement Agent*, which is compliant with the contractual form available through Euronext Clearing's website. The agreement shall not relieve the *Clearing Member* from its obligations under Euronext Clearing's Regulations. Withdrawal and termination of the agreement entered in respect to the *Euronext Equity Section*, as well as modifications to the scope of the mandates awarded to the *Settlement Agent*, may intervene pursuant to the provisions and timelines specified in paragraphs 2 to 7 of



Article B.1.1.6 and in compliance with the applicable contractual form.

- 5.Any amendment made to the agreement entered into between the *Clearing Member* and a *Settlement Agent* shall not deviate from the provisions of the contractual form available through the Euronext Clearing's website.
- 6.With respect to execution of the obligations set-out in Chapter B.5 of these Regulations, Euronext Clearing shall be provided with the relevant power of attorney, enabling the CCP to directly instruct the Settlement Agent's accounts.
- 7.In case of cessation of effect of the agreement with the Settlement Agent, Article B.2.2.2, paragraph 1, letter b) shall apply.
- 8.At its own sole discretion, a *Settlement Agent* mandated by *Clearing Members* to perform cash payments in *T2 System* on behalf of the Clearing Member is given the possibility to use either a DCA RTGS or a Segregated DCA RTGS dedicated to a single *Clearing Member*. *Settlement Agents* entrusted to perform cash payments as per paragraph 3, letter b) of this Article, are entitled to activate the *Disagreement Procedure* regulated in Article B.1.1.6, paragraphs 8, 10 and 11. The *Settlement Agent* shall send the request for disagreement pursuant the fashion set forth in *Annex B.116bis*, via e-mail, confirmed by a specific password provided by *Euronext Clearing*.
- 9.For a transitional period not exceeding 30 June 2024, Euronext Clearing retains the right to accept from Clearing Members, in order to comply with the requirement to enter into an agreement with a Settlement Agent set out under paragraphs 4 and 5 above, a signed declaration, made available by Euronext Clearing upon request, confirming the appointment of a Settlement Agent to perform the obligations set out under article B.2.1.2 paragraph 8 of the Regulations and confirming that the relevant agreement with the Settlement Agent is effective and does not prevent the Clearing Member to carry out its obligations in accordance to Euronext Clearing's Regulations.

Article B.1.1.7 Delegation to the Settlement Agent

1. *Clearing Members* may grant and revoke mandates to their *Settlement Agents* for cash, powers to forward requests for cash returns/transfers, as indicated at Article B.3.3.1, paragraph 3 on



their behalf, and may grant and revoke mandates to its *Settlement Agent* for the *Collateral* in *Financial Instruments* to forward requests for cash returns/transfers, as indicated at Article B.3.3.2, paragraph 6, and Article B.3.3.3, paragraph 8. *Clearing Members* active on the *Euronext Equity Section,* may grant and revoke to the *Settlement Agent* appointed pursuant Article B.1.1.6 bis, the mandate to instruct the requests referenced in Article B.3.3.1 bis and Article B.3.3.2 bis.

- 2. The mandates indicated at paragraph 1 are issued according to the methods indicated in the outline agreement with the *Settlement Agent* provided at the contractual form available through the *Euronext Clearing*'s website. Revocations of mandates are made by the same methods.
- 3. When the *Clearing Member* has delegated a *Settlement Agent* to forward the requests for transfer/return of cash and/or the *Financial Instruments,* the *Member* must request that the *Settlement Agent* activate *ICWS* to execute said transactions for BITA Sections and the relevant *Technology Infrastructure* for *Euronext Equity Section.*



Heading B.1.2 Relations between General Clearing Members and Trading Clients

Article B.1.2.1 Agreements between General Clearing Members and the Trading Clients

- 1. The agreement between the *General Clearing Member* and the *Trading Client admitted to Italian Markets* indicated at Article B.2.3.1 of the *Regulations*, to be forwarded to *Euronext Clearing*, must conform to the outline provided at the contractual form available through the *Euronext Clearing*'s website. The signature of the agreement between *General Clearing Member* and *Trading Client admitted to Euronext Legacy Markets pursuant to Article B.2.3.1-bis shall be notified by the General Clearing Member to Euronext Clearing.*
- 2. In the event that the *General Clearing Member* or the *Trading Client admitted to Italian Markets* intends to withdraw from the agreement entered into with the other party, it must forward a notice of withdrawal to *Euronext Clearing* and the other party by the fifteenth calendar day before the day it wishes the withdrawal to have effect. The said notification to *Euronext Clearing* to be made by registered letter with return receipt, sent in advance via email, is understood as made also on behalf of the other party. The period of notice may be reduced by mutual consent of the *Members* concerned and with the written approval of *Euronext Clearing*; otherwise, failure to comply shall render the relevant communication ineffective for *Euronext Clearing*.
- 3. In the cases indicated at paragraph 2, the *Trading Client admitted to Italian Markets* must, in real time, apply to *Euronext Clearing*, for membership of the *Section* as a *Clearing Member* (where permitted by the *Regulations*) or forward a new agreement with another *General Clearing Member* to *Euronext Clearing*, compiled according to the provisions of paragraph 1, or otherwise being suspended. *Euronext Clearing* shall indicate the moment from which the *Member's* new arrangement shall have effect.
- 4. During the period of notice indicated at paragraph 2, and up to the moment at which the withdrawal becomes effective, the



replacement mechanism indicated at Article B.1.1.1, paragraph 1 of the *Regulations* shall continue to be effective.

Article B.1.2.2 Suspension of Trading Clients admitted to Italian Markets and request to halt registration of Positions for Trading Clients admitted to Euronext Legacy Markets

1. Any request for suspension of the *Trading Client admitted to Italian Markets* from membership pursuant to Article B.2.3.3 of the *Regulations*:

a. For the *Cash Sections* must be made in the manner indicated in Annex B.122 and using the form indicated in Annex B.122A. The request for the suspension may be forwarded exclusively by persons, so authorised and communicated by the *Clearing Member* using the form in Annex B.122B;

b. For the *Derivatives Sections* the request may be forwarded trough the *Technological Infrastructure*, or in the manner described above in paragraph (a.

2. Pursuant to Article B.2.3.3-bis of the *Regulations,* the Clearing Members shall instruct the request to halt the registration of Positions pertaining to a *Trading Client* admitted to *Euronext Legacy Markets* in the manner indicated in Annex B.122-bis and using the form indicated in Annex B.122A-bis. Said request, and revocation thereof, may be forwarded exclusively by the persons, so authorised and communicated by the *Clearing Member* using the form in Annex B.122B-bis.

Article B.1.2.3 Mandates to Trading Clients

- 1. The *Trading Client*, according to each case, and by the methods indicated in the Articles cited hereunder, carries out the following functions on behalf of the *General Clearing Member* through a mandate with respect to deposits in the accounts indicated at Article B.3.0.1 paragraph 3, of the *Regulations* and in any existing sub-account:
 - a)adjustment of the reporting of the opening codes and closing codes of the *Positions* in options and futures in "client" accounts, as indicated at Article B.2.1.1;



- b)transfer of *Positions* relating the *Share Section* as indicated at Article B.2.1.4;
- c) early exercises and exercises at maturity as indicated at Article B.6.1.1. and Article B.6.1.2.
- 2. General Clearing Members may delegate (according to the relevant agreement specified under Article B.2.3.1 or B.2.3.1-bis) to Trading Clients that use its services by the methods indicated in the Articles indicated hereunder the following set of functions relating to entries into the accounts indicated at Article B.3.0.1 paragraph 3, of the Regulations and in any existing sub-account:
 - a)adjustment of Positions in "client" account, as indicated at

Article B.2.1.2;

- b)transfer of *Positions* of the *Derivatives Sections*, as indicated at Article B.2.1.3;
- c) allocation of deposited shares, as indicated at Article B.3.3.6;
- d)opening and management of sub-accounts, indicated at Article B.2.1.7.
- 3. The communications through which the functions indicated at paragraphs 1 and 2, forwarded to *Trading Clients*, shall be understood as made by the *General Clearing Member*.
- 4. *General Clearing Members* may also *Trading Clients* who use their services to consult the *Reports* and Data Files indicated in the *Technical Manual* relating to the operations of the *Trading Client*.
- 5. The mandate indicated at paragraph 1 and the authorization indicated at paragraph 4 are issued and communicated to *Euronext Clearing* according to the methods indicated in the outline or minimum provisions, as the case may be, available through the *Euronext Clearing*'s website. They are also revoked by the same methods.



CHAPTER B.2 Clearing

Heading B.2.1 Registration of Positions

Article B.2.1.0 Registration of *Positions* for the *Euronext Equity Section*

- 1. Without prejudice to Article B.3.1.3 of the *Regulations*, *Positions* are registered within a *Position Account* on a gross basis, and aggregated in two net values, resulting in a net buying position and a net selling position.
- 2. In line with Article B.3.1.2, paragraph 3 of the *Regulations*, *Positions* related to the activity of *Liquidity Provider* performed by the *Clearing Member*, or by its *Trading Client*, admitted on a *Market*, are registered by *Euronext Clearing* in dedicated *Liquidity Provider Position Accounts*.
- 3. The *Position Accounts* referenced in paragraph 2 are opened upon the request of the *Clearing Member*. The *Clearing Member* certifies the existence of relevant agreement with the *Management Company* or, in respect of its *Trading Client*, the agreement between the latter and the *Management Company*.
- 4. *Positions* related to contracts, which are denominated in a currency other than EURO, are registered in the *Position Accounts*, in the currency of the contract, pursuant the criteria embedded in Article B.2.1.0 bis.
- 5. *Positions* related to Financial Instruments, traded on *SME Growth Markets*, are not subject to aggregation with *Positions* related to the same *Financial Instrument*, which were traded on *Markets* other than *SME Growth Market*.

Article B.2.1.0-bis Posting rules and transfer of *Positions* for the *Euronext Equity Section*

1. Upon CCP interposition, *Euronext Clearing* registers *Positions* into *Position Accounts* pursuant the following posting rules.



- 2.-Pursuant to automatic posting rule, whereby *Positions* are registered by the CCP based on the valid information received from the relevant *Market*, as instructed by the *Clearing Member* admitted to trading or its *Trading Client* at the moment of submission of the trade order on said *Market*.
- 3. Pursuant to systematic posting rule, whereby *Positions* are registered by the CCP based on the posting choices communicated by the *Clearing Member* to *Euronext Clearing* pursuant Article B.1.1.1 *bis* of the *Instructions, at the onboarding stage.* Systematic posting is applied in case no automatic posting choice is performed by the *Clearing Member* admitted to trading or its *Trading Client.*
- 4. If a *Positions* cannot be registered according to the abovementioned respective posting rules, *Euronext Clearing* registers the unallocated *Positions* in a dedicated default *Position Account*, predetermined by the *Clearing Member*, at the onboarding stage. Not later than the day in which the contract is concluded on the *Market*, the *Clearing Member* may request, the transfer of the relevant Positions to another relevant *Position Account*.
- **5.** The *Clearing Member* shall instruct the request mentioned in paragraph 4, through the *Technological Infrastructure*, or, in case of its malfunctioning, through the fashion set forth in Annex B.210A.

Article B.2.1.1 Reporting and correcting of the opening and closing of options and futures positions on third party accounts

- 1. The *Member*, at the time of the trading of an option or future contract on third party accounts, shall indicate to the *System*, through the *Trading System*, if the said trade opens a new *Position* (opening code), or if it closes an existing *Position* (closing code).
- 2. In the absence of an indication, the *System* shall register the contract in "open".
- 3. Where there is a "closing" report for a number of contracts greater than that of *Positions* open in opposing positions on the same *Series*, the *System* shall enter as "open" all the contracts



that form part of the said report, notifying the *Member* of this registration through the *BCS*.

- 4. Corrections to reports of the opening and closing code may be made on the same day by sending new *Transfer Orders* by the deadlines established at letter A) of Annex B.211 through the *BCS*. Requests for transfer received after this deadline are not carried out.
- 5. In the event of malfunction of the *BCS*, the correction indicated at paragraph 4 may be carried out by forwarding via *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction by fax the form provided at Annex B.211A by the same deadline. Requests for correction received after this deadline are not carried out.
- 6. Euronext Clearing nets Positions with the same characteristics in the Specialist Sub-account and in the other sub-accounts of the "client" account – for which the Member requests the "net" maintenance of the Positions, pursuant to Article B.2.1.7, paragraph 3, letter a) - independently of the opening or closing codes indicated at paragraph 1 (net registration of positions).

Article B.2.1.2 Change of Positions in "client" account

- 1. Changes in *Positions* in "client" accounts (which in any case cannot modify the overall net *Position*) may be requested from the *Member* by sending the new *Transfer Orders*, in the *Market* trading days following that of the trade, by the timelines established by letter B) of Annex B.211, through the *BCS* or, in the event of its malfunction, by forwarding the forms provided at Annex B.212 to *Euronext Clearing* via *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction, via e-mail or fax. Requests for changes received after these deadlines are not carried out.
- 2. The requests indicated at paragraph 1 relating to *Positions* registered in the *Client Position Accounts* indicated at Article B.3.1.2, of the *Regulations* and in any existing sub-account, may be forwarded:
 - a) by the General Clearing Member or,



b) by the *Trading Client* duly mandated pursuant to Article B.1.2.3, paragraph 2.

Article B.2.1.3 Transfer of Positions of the Derivatives Sections

- 1. The *Clearing Member*, may request with the consent of the transferee and with effect on the accounts and the existing sub-accounts, the transfer to another *Member*:
 - a) at the trading price of all (or part of) the positions relating to contracts entered into on the same day as the transfer request ("international give-up");
 - b) at the trading price of all (or part of) the positions relating to contracts stipulated on the ten stock exchange trading days before that in which the transfer is requested, subject to provisions of paragraph 9;
 - c) of positions:
 - in futures, at the daily settlement price of the trading session before that of the execution of the transfer;
 - in options, at zero price.
- 2. The *Clearing Member* may request the transfer between his own accounts and/or sub-accounts:
 - a) at the trading price of all (or part of) the positions relating to contracts stipulated on the same day in which the transfer is requested;
 - b) at the trading price of all (or part of) the positions relating to contracts stipulated on the ten stock exchange trading days before that in which the transfer is requested, subject to provisions of paragraph 9;
 - c) of positions:
 - in futures, at the daily settlement price of the trading session before that of the execution of the transfer;



- in options, at zero price.
- 3. The *Transfer Orders* indicated at paragraphs 1 and 2 must be forwarded through the *BCS* within the timetable set out in letter C) of Annex B.211 and of Annex B.621.
- 4. In the event of malfunction of the *BCS* the said *Transfer Orders* may be forwarded to *Euronext Clearing* via *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction, by fax, using the forms provided:
 - a) Annexes B.213B, B.213B1 and B.213B2, related respectively to the *Equity Derivatives Section*, the *Energy Derivatives Section* and the *Agricultural Commodity Derivatives Section*, for the *Transfer Orders* indicated at paragraph 1, letters a) and b) and at paragraph 2, letters a) and b);
 - b) Annexes B.213A, B.213A1 and B.213A2, related respectively to the *Equity Derivatives Section*, the *Energy Derivatives Section* and the *Agricultural Commodity Derivatives Section*, for the *Transfer Orders* indicated at paragraph 1, letter c) and at paragraph 2, letter c).
- 5. The transfer of *Positions* in options and matured "futures" to be settled with the consignment of underlying assets, may be carried out only with the approval of *Euronext Clearing* and by the methods that the latter indicates from time to time.
- 6. Requests indicated at paragraphs 1 and 2, relating to *Positions* of a *Trading Client* may be forwarded:
 - a) by the General Clearing Member or,
 - b) by the *Trading Client* duly mandated pursuant to Article B.1.2.3, paragraph 2.
- 7. The transfer request indicated at paragraph 1, letter b) and paragraph 2, letter b):
 - a) is not permitted:



- on the day following *Cascading* days for *Positions* relating to energy futures contracts with quarterly or annual delivery periods;
- on the first business day of the month for *Positions* relating to energy futures contract with monthly delivery periods;
- b) is limited to *Positions* (or part thereof) relating to contracts stipulated on the day before that of the transfer request, if the request is made:
 - on the second day following days of *Cascading* and concerns *Positions* for energy futures contracts with quarterly or annual delivery periods;
 - on the second business day of the month and concerns *Positions* relating to energy futures contracts with monthly delivery periods.

Article B.2.1.4 Transfer of Positions relating to the Cash Sections

1. The transfer request of *Positions* relating to the *BITA Share* and *Bond Sections* are carried out by the *Clearing Member* through the *Pre-settlement Service* pursuant to article B.11.1.1, by and not later than the day in which the contract is concluded on the *Trading System.*

Article B.2.1.5 Clearing of Positions in "futures".

1. The clearing between *Positions* in futures of the *Share Derivatives Section* relating to the same Stock Market index (FTSE MIB) registered in the same account or sub-account, having a different index point value, an opposite sign and the same maturity, takes place in the ratio of one Future to five mini-Futures, or one Future to twenty-five Micro Futures, or one Mini Future to five Micro Futures, only by express application to *Euronext Clearing* by the *Clearing Member* concerned.



- 2. The application indicated at paragraph 1 must be forwarded to the *Clearing Member* concerned via *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction, by fax, using the form set out at Annex B.215.
- 3.Applications forwarded to *Euronext Clearing* within the timetable set out in letter D) of Annex B.211 shall be paid on the same day; those received after the said timetable shall be treated on the following *Market* trading day.
- 4. The clearing between *Positions* in futures of the *Energy Derivatives* Section relating to the same underlying and registered in the same account or sub-account, takes place only by express application to *Euronext Clearing* by the *Clearing Member* concerned. Said clearing takes place in the ratio of:
- four quarterly Futures, which together cover the year, and the corresponding yearly Future of the opposite sign;
- three monthly Futures and three quarterly futures, which together cover the year, and the corresponding yearly Future of the opposite sign.
- 5.The application referred to in paragraph 4 above, must be forwarded by the *Clearing Member* concerned via *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction, by fax, using the form set out at Annex B.215B.
- 6.The applications referred to in paragraph 4 above, forwarded to *Euronext Clearing* within the timetable set out in letter F)—of Annex B.211, shall be paid on the same day; those received after the said timetable shall be treated on the following *Market* trading day, provided that they continue to meet the clearing conditions set out in paragraph 4.

Article B.2.1.6 Error management

1. The effects of transactions by *Euronext Clearing* in response to applications received from the Management Company pursuant to Article B.3.1.7 of the *Regulations* shall be reported to Members



concerned on the subsequent *Market* trading day by means of *Reports*.

Article B.2.1.7 Sub-accounts

- 1. *Clearing Members* may request, pursuant Article B.3.1.2, paragraph 4 of the *Regulations:*
 - a) using the form provided at Annex B.217A, to register *Positions* originating from the activity of the *Specialist* on IDEM market in a relevant sub-account of the "client omnibus" account called *Specialist Sub-account*;
 - b) using the form provided at Annex B.217B, to register *Positions* originating from the activity of the *Market Maker* on IDEM market in a relevant sub-account of the "house" account called *Market Maker Sub-account*.

The *Specialist sub-account* and the *Market Maker sub-account* may also be activated for the transactions of *Trading Clients* whose *Positions* are registered in the accounts provided for in Article B.3.1.2, paragraph 1(c), or paragraph 2, of the *Regulation*.

- 2. Clearing Members and Non-Clearing Members duly mandated pursuant to Article B.1.2.3, paragraph 2, letter d), may open and manage, pursuant to Article B.3.1.2, paragraph 4, of the *Regulations*, sub-accounts of "house" and "client" account, exclusively through the *BCS*.
- 3. *The* opening of subaccounts for *Positions* relating to the *Agricultural Commodity Derivatives Section* must take place, in the manner prescribed in paragraph 2, before each *Client* starts to operate. Immediately after the opening of each subaccount, the *Member* shall notify *Euronext Clearing* of the name and tax code or company name and VAT number of the holder of the subaccount by sending Annex B.217D via *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction, by fax.

Provisions in paragraph 3 will enter into force with a subsequent Notice.

In the transition period the following apply:



3. For *Positions* relating to the *Agricultural Commodity Derivatives Section, Members* have to communicate to *Euronext Clearing* at the latest by 18.30 of the "maturity day" information on *Clients' Position in Delivery*, by sending Annex B.217D via *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction, by fax or.

- 4. Without prejudice to Article B.4.1.1, paragraph 4, of the *Regulations*, for *Positions* relating to the *Agricultural Commodity Derivatives Section*, at the time of the opening of a new sub-account, or later, in the management phase, the *Member* may:
 - a) for a sub-account of the "client" account, choose the kind of maintenance, "net" or "gross", to apply to the *Positions* registered in it;
 - b) for a sub-account of the "house" or "client" account, choose the kind of Initial Margin calculation, "combined" or "separated", between the Positions registered in the sub-account and those registered in the relevant account.
- 5. For the *Equity Derivatives Section*, using the form provided by *Euronext Clearing* at Annex B.217C, *Clearing Members* may request to receive, for information purpose only, the Initial *Margins* calculation "separated" for each sub-account.
- 6. With reference to the *Members* acting as intermediaries for *Indirect Clearing* requesting a "gross omnibus segregated client" account under Article B.3.1.2, paragraph 3 letter b) of the *Rules, Euronext Clearing* proceeds with the opening of ad-hoc subaccounts to which an identification code may be assigned in order to allow the registration of *Positions* related to each Indirect Client on a gross basis.

Article B.2.1.8 Cascading of Positions relating to the Energy Derivatives Section

1. The *Positions* relating to annual futures existing at the end of each trading day (*Cascading* day) of the contract are replaced, on the same day, by six corresponding *Positions* relating to the three quarterly futures contracts with *Delivery Periods* corresponding to



the "April-June", "July-September" and "October December" quarters, and to the three-monthly futures with a *Delivery Period* corresponding to the months of "January", "February" and "March". The new *Positions* in quarterly and monthly futures are valued at the daily settlement price of annual futures on the *Cascading* day.

2. Positions relating to quarterly futures existing at the end of the last trading day (*Cascading* day) of the contract are replaced, on the same day, by three corresponding *Positions* relating to the three-monthly futures, the *Delivery Period* of which corresponds to the calendar months of the *Delivery Period* for the replaced quarterly futures. The new *Positions* in monthly futures are valued at the daily settlement price of the quarterly futures on the day of *Cascading*.

CHAPTER B.3 Guarantee System

Heading B.3.1 Margins

Article B.3.1.1 Initial Margins

- 1. The Initial *Margins*, indicated in Article B.4.1.1, paragraph 2, of the *Regulations*, notified to *Clearing Members* by means of the *Reports*, shall be calculated:
 - a) on the basis of the *Equity VAR* method, for the *Equity Derivatives Section* the *BITA Share Section* and the *Euronext Equity Section*;
 - b) on the basis of the *MVP* method, or, only in respect to Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, and Irish government bonds, on the basis of the *FIRE* method, for the *Bond Section* and for the *ICSD Bond Section*;
 - c) on the basis of the *MMeL* method, for the *Energy Derivatives Section*;
 - d) on the basis of the *MMeG* method, for the *Agricultural Commodity Derivatives Section*;



- 2. The general application data used by *Euronext Clearing* for the calculation of the *Margins* are made available to *Members* on the *Euronext Clearing* Internet site and are also communicated to *Members* through the *Technological Infrastructure*.
- 3. A request for calculation of separate *Margins* for each *Section*, indicated at Article B.4.1.1, paragraph 6, of the *Regulations*, may be made by the *Clearing Member* by forwarding the appropriate form, which is available from the *Euronext Clearing Internet site*.

4. For the *Energy Derivatives Section* the *Initial Margin* on *Positions* to be delivered is paid by the *Members* starting from the second *Euronext Clearing open day* prior to the *Delivery* month.

5. For the Agricultural Commodity Derivatives Section, the "Initial Margins on Positions to be delivered" shall be paid by Members starting from the sixth Euronext Clearing open day prior to the maturity day.

4. 6. As of the "day for attesting the covering of sales positions", in the event of complete or partial failure to attest the covering of sales positions, the *Margins* referred to in paragraph 5 shall be higher.

Article B.3.1.2 Additional Intraday Margins

- 1. In the event of a request for additional intraday *Margins*, *Euronext Clearing*:
 - a) shall notify each *Clearing Member* of *the* additional amount requested pursuant to article B.4.1.3 of the *Regulations* and the debit period by an appropriate *Report* referred to in Annex B.312 and *Notice of Payment*, in accordance with Annex B.411 and B.411bis, letter A);
 - b) may also notify all *Clearing Members* of activation of the requested additional intraday Margins by a message pursuant to Annex B.312 forwarded through the *Technological Infrastructure*.



2. If the request for additional intraday *Margins* is made after 14:00 (2:00 pm) of a *Euronext Clearing open day*, *Euronext Clearing* will allow the *Clearing Members* that made prior request using the form in Annex B.312A to pay the additional *Margins* by depositing the financial instruments referred to in Article B.4.3.1, paragraph 1 point b) within the term set out in Annex B.411-point D).

In this case, *Euronext Clearing* shall communicate to each *Clearing Member* concerned and to the *Settlement Agent* for cash through the *Report* referred to in Annex B.312B:

- a)the additional amount required pursuant to Article B.4.3.1, paragraph 3 of the *Rules*;
- b)the term for depositing the financial instruments.

Following the deposit of the financial instruments *Euronext Clearing* verifies that they are suitable and that their amount is sufficient to cover the additional intraday *Margins, subsequently* sending notice to any relevant *Member* and also to the *Settlement Agent* for cash through the Report referred to in Annex B.312C:

- a) whether the financial instruments are sufficient or, if not, the amount to be covered in cash related to the additional intraday Margins;
- b) the term for depositing the cash due by the *Clearing Member,* in accordance with Annex B.411, point A), in case the financial instruments are not sufficient to cover the additional Margins.

If the financial instruments deposited pursuant to the present paragraph result fully or partially insufficient so as to cover the Margins due to the concentration limits or the applicable haircuts, the ownership of the financial instruments temporarily exceeding the amount of the additional Margins is transferred to *Euronext Clearing* pursuant to article A.1.1.5 of the *Regulation*, unless a redemption request by the relevant *Clearing Member* is received.

The *Clearing Member* may deposit no more than two of the financial instruments (ISIN) referred to in Article B.4.3.1 paragraph 1 point b), of the *Regulations* selecting them from among those recorded in the *Clearing System* and available for consultation in ICWS – BCS.



These financial instruments must be deposited in the manner set out in the paragraph on "Deposit covering initial margins" of *Annex* B.411 by the deadline communicated from time to time in the call for additional intraday *Margins*.

- 3. *Euronext Clearing* may revoke the service for the coverage of additional intraday *Margins* with financial instruments in respect of any *Clearing Members* that deposit insufficient or unsuitable financial instruments above the thresholds set out in Annex B.312D.
- 4. Where necessary, *Euronext Clearing* may issue the notices pursuant to paragraph 1 by fax or e-mail.
- 5. The additional amount requested in cash or financial instruments must be made available respectively to the *DCA RTGS* in the *T2 System* of the *Clearing Member* or its *Settlement Agent* or in the securities accounts held at the *Central Depository Service* for *Financial Instruments, as defined in Article B.13.1.1-Bis of the Instructions* by the deadline indicated in the communications referred to in the previous paragraphs.
- 6.For the *Euronext Equity Section*, the payment of additional intraday Margins through deposit of *Financial Instruments* referenced in paragraph 2 is excluded.

Article B.3.1.3 Daily Settlement Prices

1. The daily settlement prices of the *Guaranteed Financial Instruments* traded on the Markets and guaranteed by the *System* shall be determined by the methods indicated in Annex B.313.

- 1. The daily settlement price for *Financial Instruments* guaranteed within the *Bond Section* and the *ICSD Bond Section* is set on the basis of the prices determined by *Markets,* taking into account their level of liquidity.
- 2. The daily settlement price for *Financial Instruments* guaranteed within the BITA *Share Section and Euronext Equity Sections* is equal to the reference price calculated in



accordance to the Trading Rules by the *Market* and communicated to Euronext Clearing.

- 3. The daily settlement price for *Financial Instruments* guaranteed within the *Derivatives Section* is determined by the *Market* and communicated to Euronext Clearing according to the Trading Rules of the *Market*.
- 4. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraphs, in the event *Euronext Clearing* considers that the daily settlement price for *Financial Instruments* of each *Section*, determined and communicated in accordance with this *Article*, is not representative of existing market conditions at the close of trading, *Euronext Clearing*, for the purpose of calculation of *Margins*, may set a different price, taking into account the respective theoretical value of the above mentioned *Financial Instruments* or use the last available daily settlement price.
- 5. 2The daily settlement prices are made available on the *Euronext Clearing* Internet site. The prices are also reported to *Members* through the *Technological Infrastructure*.

Article B.3.1.4 Adjustment operations for Positions

- 1. Pursuant to Article B.3.1.6 of the *Regulations*, on the occasion of company operations or operations of a general nature, *Euronext Clearing* shall amend:
 - a) the Ordinary Positions of the Derivatives Sections, in accordance with the general rules established by the Management Companies;
 - b) the *Positions* of the *Cash Sections*, and the *Euronext Equity Section*, in accordance with the rules established at Article B.7.1.7



Heading B.3.2 Default Fund

Article B.3.2.1 Contribution

- 1. The reference period for calculation of payments to each *Default Fund* indicated in Article 4.2.1 paragraph 4, of the *Regulations* is of one calendar month before the date of recalculation.
- 2. The amount of the payment to each *Default Fund* due by the *Clearing Member* is determined on the basis of the daily average of *Initial Margins* relating to the Section(s) for which the *Default Fund operates*, due for each account indicated in Article B.3.1.2, paragraphs 1 and 2 of the *Regulation*. The amount of the payment to the *Default Fund* established for the Euronext Equity Section, *BITA Share Section* and the Equity Derivatives Sections due by the Clearing Member is determined separately with respect to the BITA Share and Equity Derivatives Section and the Euronext Equity Section.
- 3. Adjustments to payments to the *Default Funds* are requested and effected on a monthly basis. In the event of particular risk situations, *Euronext Clearing* may reduce the reference period indicated at paragraph 1 and consequently calculate the payments on this reduced different time basis. Payments are adjusted according to the methods indicated in the *Default Fund Manual*; the parameters and the minimum payment are notified to *Members* through *Euronext Clearing*'s website. Any variations in the said parameters, as provided in the said *Manual*, including the minimum payment, are announced by *Notices*.
- 4. The amount to be settled in cash for the purposes of adjustment of payments to each *Default Fund*, and the date of settlement, are notified to *Clearing Members* through the *Technological Infrastructure*.
- 5. The adjustment of cash payments takes place by the method indicated in Annex B.411 and/or B.411bis. Excess payments in cash are not permitted. Any balances in euros allocated to the *Default Funds* in excess of the requested payment shall be returned to the *Member*.



- 6. The adjustment of the payment and the restitution of the said surpluses shall not be included in the daily settlement indicated at Article B.5.1.1 of the *Regulations*.
- 7. The interest rate recognized by *Euronext Clearing* on balances constituted in cash pursuant to this article is notified to *Members* on the *Euronext Clearing* Internet site.

Article B.3.2.2 Use of the Default Fund

1. In the event of use of payments to the *Default Funds* by *Members* other than the defaulting *Member,* and in the event of a request for additional resources as per Article B.4.2.5 of the Regulations, *Euronext Clearing* shall immediately inform *Clearing Members* involved, the Bank of Italy, *Consob*, and the *Management Company*.

Article B.3.2.3 Establishment and withdrawal

- 1. *Clearing Members* must proceed to establishment of payments pursuant to Article B.4.2.3 paragraph 1, of the *Regulations,* by the deadlines established in accordance with Article B.4.1.1 of the Regulations of the third *Euronext Clearing open day* after the request for payment indicated to *Members* involved by means of the relevant *Notice*.
- 2. The notice of withdrawal from *Section(s)* indicated at Article B.4.2.4, paragraph 3, of the *Regulations*, must reach *Euronext Clearing* by registered letter with acknowledgement of receipt, sent in advance via email, prior to and not later than the term provided in the *Notice* indicated at paragraph 1.
- 3. *Clearing Members* shall proceed with the establishment of the payments pursuant to Article B.4.2.3, paragraph 2, of the Regulations, by the deadlines established in accordance with Article B.4.1.1 of the Regulations of the following *Euronext Clearing open day after* the request for payment indicated to *Members* involved by means of the relevant *Notice*.



4. The establishment in cash of the payment to the *Default Funds* shall be made by the method indicated at Annex B.411, letter A) and/or Annex B.411bis, letter A) depending on the *Section*.

Heading B.3.3 Assets admitted as security and transaction requests

Article B.3.3.1 Handling of cash in Euros for BITA Sections

- 1. Payments of guarantees in cash to *Euronext Clearing* in excess of margins requested must be made by *Clearing Members* or by *Settlement Agents* who use their services, by crediting the *Euronext Clearing DCA RTGS* in *T2 System* by the method indicated in Annex B.411, letter B).
- 2. Payments received within the timetable set out in Annex B.331 shall be used to determine the amount to be paid, pursuant to Article B.4.1.1, on the following *Euronext Clearing open day*.
- 3. The *Clearing Member* (or its *Settlement Agent* for cash, who is so delegated pursuant to Article B.1.1.7) may request from *Euronext Clearing*:
 - a) the credit of currently available sums to the *Clearing Member DCA RTGS* in *T2 System* or that of its *Settlement Agent*;
 - b) the transfer of the said sums between accounts of the same Member within the System.
- 4. The applications indicated at paragraph 3 may be sent through the *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction, by sending the form provided at Annex B.331A by e-mail or fax to *Euronext Clearing*.
- 5. The applications indicated at paragraph 3, letter a), may be sent as a permanent request, by forwarding an appropriate application to *Euronext Clearing* in original, advanced via *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction by e-mail or fax, using the form provided at Annex B.331B.
- 6. Applications pursuant to paragraph 3 received within the timetable set out in Annex B.331 shall be paid on the same day,



by the method set out in Annex B.411 letter C). Applications received outside the said term shall not be executed.

7. The rate of interest recognised by *Euronext Clearing* on the available funds deposited in cash pursuant to this article shall notified to *Members* through the *Euronext Clearing* Internet site.

Article B.3.3.1-bis Handling of cash in Euros for the *Euronext Equity Section*

- 1. Payments of cash *Collateral* to *Euronext Clearing* are made by the *Clearing Member* or by its *Settlement Agent*, by crediting the *Euronext Clearing DCA RTGS* in *T2 System*, pursuant the method indicated in Annex B.331bis
- 2. For the purpose of determining the *Margins* to be paid pursuant to Article B.4.1.1 on the following *Euronext Clearing open day, Euronext Clearing* shall consider only the sums credited to its *DCA RTGS* within the timetable set out in Annex B.331bis
- 3. Euronext Clearing returns any excess of cash registered within a *Collateral Account* to the *Clearing Member* or its *Settlement Agent*, by crediting its *DCA RTGS in* the *T2 System*. A *Clearing Member*, or its *Settlement Agent*, may request *Euronext Clearing*, pursuant to the methods foreseen in Annex B.111Abis to parametrize a *Collateral* buffer, for each *Collateral Account* registered in its own name. *Euronext Clearing* shall return pursuant paragraph 4 only the amount of cash exceeding such buffer.
- 4. In such instances, The *Clearing Member* or its *Settlement Agent*, may request *Euronext Clearing*, pursuant the methods indicated in Annex B.331Abis *to*:
 - a) credit currently available sums to the *Clearing Member DCA RTGS* in *T2 System* or that of its *Settlement Agent*;
 - b) transfer said sums between *Collateral Accounts* of the same *Member;*
- 5. The *Clearing Member*, or its *Settlement Agent* shall instruct the requests referenced within paragraphs 3 and 4 of this Article



through the *Technological Infrastructure*. In case of malfunctioning, the *Clearing Member*, or its *Settlement Agent* shall instruct the requests, within the fashion set forth in Annex B.331Abis through the *SFTP* channel or, if the CCP so communicated in advance, email.

6. The rate of interest recognised by *Euronext Clearing* on the available funds deposited in cash pursuant to this article is notified to *Members* through the *Euronext Clearing* Internet site.

The provisions related to the requests mentioned in paragraph 4, letter b) will enter into force with a subsequent notice.

Article B.3.3.2 Handling of Financial Instruments for BITA Sections

- 1. The *Financial Instruments* that may be deposited pursuant to Article B.4.3.1, paragraph 1(b), of the *Regulations* and the related concentration limits specified in Article B.4.3.1, paragraph 3(b), of the *Regulations* shall be indicated in Annex B.332.
- 2. The deposit of *Financial Instruments* must be made to the securities accounts of Article B.3.3.5.
- 3. The financial instruments indicated at paragraph 1 shall be deposited in accordance with the terms in Annex B.331, informing *Euronext Clearing* in advance via email. In this case the Financial Instruments shall be used to determine the amount to be paid, pursuant to Article B.4.1.1 on the following *Euronext Clearing open day*.
- 4. The *Financial Instruments* indicated at paragraph 1 shall be considered when determining the *Margins* to be paid pursuant to Article B.4.1.1 only up to the fourth calendar day inclusive before their maturity.



- 5. The valuation for guarantee purposes of financial instruments pursuant to paragraph 1 shall be carried out according to the calculation criteria and according to the schedule set out at Annex B.332.
- 6. Clearing Members (or their Settlement Agents for the Central Depositary Service or for the Foreign Entity providing Settlement Services and Central Depository Service so mandated pursuant to Article B.1.1.7) may request that Euronext Clearing withdraw the Financial Instruments indicated at paragraph 1 that are deposited and currently available in securities accounts referred to in subsequent Article B.3.3.5 or the transfer of the said Financial Instruments between accounts of the same Member within the System.
- 7. The applications indicated at paragraph 6 may be sent through the *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction, sent to *Euronext Clearing* by e-mail or fax, using the form provided at Annex B.332A or, if the withdrawal of the *Financial Instruments* is possible only following the deposit of new *Financial Instruments* and/or cash, using the form provided at Annex B.332B, according to the rules indicated in the same annex.
- 8. Requests of withdrawal and transfer received by the timetable established in Annex B.331 shall be paid on the same day; those received subsequently are taken into consideration exclusively on the following *Euronext Clearing open day* and shall be executed during that day, provided that the entire quantity of the *Financial Instruments* subject to the transfer request are still available. Requests of withdrawal following the deposit of new *Financial Instruments* and/or cash received by the timetable established in Annex B.331 shall be executed on the same day; those received subsequently are not executed. *Euronext Clearing* shall proceed to transfer the *Financial Instruments* by the methods indicated at Annex B.411, letter E).
- 9. According to the regulations of the *Central Depositary Service*, amounts relating to the accrued interest on *Financial Instruments* deposited and redeemed capital shall be credited, on the instructions of *Euronext Clearing*, by the said *Central Depositary Service* to the *Settlement Agent* or in their absence the *Clearing Member* concerned.



10.Clearing Members may deposit Belgian government bonds included within the list of eligible Collateral pursuant to paragraph 1, only upon condition that these Financial Instruments are transferred from their own proprietary accounts. Belgian Government bonds originating from third party accounts are accepted by Euronext Clearing as eligible Collateral. The Clearing Members shall deploy the necessary arrangements in order to comply at all times with this restriction.

Article B.3.3.2-bis Handling of Financial Instruments for the Euronext Equity Section

- 1. The list of eligible *Financial Instruments* pursuant to Article B.4.3.1, paragraph 1 letter (b) of the *Regulations*, is detailed in *Annex* B.332bis. *Euronext Clearing* applies the methods for valuation, the haircuts and the limits of concentration referred to in Article B.4.3.1, paragraph 4(b) of the *Regulations*, within the fashion set forth in the same *Annex*.
- 2. The deposit of *Financial Instruments* indicated in paragraph 1 is carried out by the *Clearing Member* or its *Settlement Agent* to the securities accounts referenced within Article B.3.3.5 bis of these *Instructions*.
- 3.*Financial Instruments* indicated at paragraph 1 shall be deposited in accordance with the terms referenced in AnnexB.331bis. For the purpose of determining the *Margins* to be paid on the following *Euronext Clearing open day* pursuant to Article B.4.1.1., *Euronext Clearing* considers only the *Financial Instruments* deposited within said terms.
- 4.For the purpose of determining the *Margins* to be paid pursuant to Article B.4.1.1, *Euronext Clearing* shall consider the *Financial Instruments* indicated at paragraph 1, only up to the fourth calendar day (included) before their maturity.
- 5.The *Clearing Member* (or their *Settlement Agents* for the *Central Depositary Service* or for the Foreign Entity providing Settlement Services and Central Depository Service so mandated pursuant to Article B.1.1.7), may request *Euronext Clearing*, pursuant to the methods and terms indicated in AnnexB.332Abis, the:



- a) Withdrawal of the *Financial Instruments* indicated at paragraph 1, that are registered in the *Clearing Member's Collateral Accounts* and currently available in the securities accounts referred to in Article B.3.3.5 bis;
- b) transfer of currently available *Financial Instruments* indicated at paragraph 1 between *Collateral Accounts* of the same *Member;*
- 6.The *Clearing Member*, or its *Settlement Agent*, shall instruct the requests referenced within paragraph 6 of this Article through the *Technological Infrastructure*. In case of malfunctioning, the *Clearing Member*, or its *Settlement Agent* shall instruct the requests, within the fashion set forth in Annex B.332Abis through the *SFTP* channel or, if the CCP so communicated in advance, email.
- 7.*Euronext Clearing* shall only execute those requests which are instructed within the terms of Annex B.331bis
- 8.According to the regulations of the *Central Depositary Service*, amounts relating to the accrued interest on *Financial Instruments* deposited and redeemed capital shall be credited, on the instructions of *Euronext Clearing*, by the said *Central Depositary Service* to the *Settlement Agent* or in their absence the *Clearing Member* concerned.
- 9.Clearing Members may deposit Belgian government bonds included within the list of eligible Collateral pursuant to paragraph 1, only upon condition that these Financial Instruments are transferred from their own proprietary accounts. Belgian Government bonds originating from third party accounts are accepted by Euronext Clearing as eligible Collateral. The Clearing Members shall deploy the necessary arrangements in order to comply at all times with this restriction.

The provisions related to the requests mentioned in paragraph 5, letter b) will enter into force with a subsequent notice.



Article B.3.3.3 Handling of assets underlying options on individual shares and stock futures with physical delivery

- 1. The deposit of underlying shares to cover *Positions* in short "call" options and *Positions* in short stock futures with physical delivery is made by *Members* or their *Settlement Agents* only for amounts equal to, or whole multiples of, the number of underlying shares provided by the corresponding *Contractual Scheme*.
- 2. The deposit of shares shall be made to the securities accounts indicated at Article B.3.3.5.
- 3. Shares deposited within the timetable indicated at Annex B.331 are used to cover the respective short "call" *Positions* in options on shares, or the short *Positions* in stock futures, on the basis of the allocation chosen by the Member pursuant to Article B.3.3.6. The *Positions* guaranteed by underlying shares are defined as "covered positions".
- 4. Short "call" *Positions* in options on shares are covered according to the following priorities:
 - a) priority is given to covering the Positions that, at the end of each trading day, have a higher daily settlement price, followed by those with lower prices. For assigned options, instead of the daily settlement price, the *In-The-Money Amount* is considered, which is conventionally equal to the difference between the reference price of the underlying asset – as defined in the Regulations for *Markets* organised and managed by the *Management Companies* with whom *Euronext Clearing* has stipulated an appropriate agreement – and the strike price. Where the daily settlement price or the *In-The-Money Amount* are equal, the *Positions* with greater residual time of on the day of maturity of the option contract are covered.
 - b) where the daily settlement price or *In-The-Money Amount* and the maturity times are equal, the *Positions* with a lower strike price are covered.
- 5. Short *Positions* in stock futures are covered according to the following priorities:



- a)priority is given to covering the *Positions* relating to the maturity on which a greater number is open;
- b)when short *Positions* opened on different maturities are equal, priority is given to covering the *Positions* with more residual time until maturity.
- 6. Shares allocated to cover short "call" *Positions* in options on shares and those allocated to cover short *Positions* in stock future are tied to satisfy obligations to the *Settlement Services*, therefore the *Member* is not obliged to forward the said shares to the *Settlement Services*. This obligation applies:
 - a) in case of assignment of short "call" *Positions* in options on the same underlying assets;
 - b) if short *Positions* in stock future, with the same underlying assets are present at closing on the day of maturity.
- 7. The tied shares shall continue to be used to cover *Positions* by the methods indicated at paragraphs 4 and 5:
 - a)between the day of assignment, deriving from the exercise of the option by *Euronext Clearing*, and the day of settlement at the *Settlement Services*;
 - b)between the day of maturity of the stock future contract and the day of settlement at the *Settlement Services*.
- 8. Clearing Members (or their Settlement Agents for the Centralized Depositary Service, so mandated pursuant to Article B.1.1.7) may apply to Euronext Clearing through the ICWS, or, in the event of its malfunction by forwarding to Euronext Clearing the form provided at Annex B.333 by fax, for the withdrawal for settlement of non-tied shares existing in securities accounts referred to in subsequent Article B.3.3.5 or for the transfer of such Financial Instruments between accounts of the same Member within the System.
- 9. The applications indicated at paragraph 8, received within the timetable set out in Annex B.331, shall be executed by the method set out in Annex B.411, letter E):



- a) the same day, for shares not used to cover Positions;
- b) the *following Euronext Clearing open day*, for shares used to cover *Positions*, provided that initial Margins have been previously deposited for them.
- 10. The applications indicated at paragraph 8, received after the timetable set out in Annex B.331, shall be taken into consideration on the following *Euronext Clearing open day* and shall be executed according to the rules indicated at paragraph 9 and by the method set out in Annex B.411, letter E).
- 11. According to the rules of the *Centralized Depositary Service*, amounts relating to distributed dividends on deposited shares shall be accredited, on *Euronext Clearing's* instructions, by the said *Centralized Depositary Service* to the *Settlement Agent* or in its absence, to the *Clearing Member* concerned.

Article B.3.3.4 Use of Collateral

- 1. The *Collateral* indicated at Article B.3.3.1, Article B.3.3.1 bis, Article B.3.3.2 and Article B.3.3.2 bis may be used without discrimination for the purposes of covering the *Margins* relating to all *Sections*.
- 2.Outside of the context of a default procedure as per Article B.6.2.1., *Collateral* posted by a *Member* for the purpose of fulfilling margin and other obligations deriving from participation within the *Euronext Equity Section* remains segregated from the *Collateral* posted by the same *Member* for the purpose of fulfilling margin and other obligations arising from participation within the other *Sections* of the *System*.
- 3.Outside of the context of a default procedure as per Article B.6.2.1., potential *Collateral* acquired by the CCP in excess of amounts requested to the *Member* active on the *Euronext Equity Section*, cannot be used to cover shortfalls registered in other *Sections* of the *System* and vice versa.



Article B.3.3.5 Securities Accounts for BITA Sections

- 1. The *Financial Instruments* indicated at Article B.3.3.2 and Article B.3.3.3 shall be deposited in the *Euronext Clearing* securities accounts at a *Central Depositary Service*, sub-registered in the *Clearing Member's* name and possibly further sub-registered in the name of the *Client* or, in the case referred to in Article B.3.3.3, of the *Trading Client* for which provision has been made for the registration of *Positions* pursuant to Article, B.3.0.1 paragraph 4 of the *Regulations*.
- 2. In order to open the said securities accounts sub-registered as described above, the *Clearing Member* shall send an appropriate form, available from the *Euronext Clearing* Internet site, to *Euronext Clearing*, with prior notice of at least five *Euronext Clearing* open days. *Euronext Clearing* shall notify the *Clearing Members* of the details of securities accounts sub-registered in its name and of its *Clients* and *Trading Clients*, if any.
- 3. *Euronext Clearing* may close the securities accounts if they are not used for a period of six months, giving notice of it to the *Clearing Member*.

Article B.3.3.5-bis Securities Accounts for the Euronext Equity Section

- 1. In derogation from previous Article B.3.3.5, *Financial Instruments* indicated at Article B.3.3.2 are deposited in a securities collateral omnibus account registered in the name of *Euronext Clearing* at a *Central Depositary Service, as specified in article B.13.1.1bis of the Instructions,* for all *House* or *Client Account Structures* of the *Clearing Members.*
- 2. Exceptionally to paragraph 1, solely for *Individual Segregated Account Structures*, a Clearing Member may request *Euronext Clearing*, through the form provided in Annex B.335, to deposit the *Financial Instruments* referred to in paragraph 1 in a securities collateral segregated account, opened in the name of the CCP at a *Central Depositary, as specified in article B.13.1.1bis of the Instructions*.



Article B.3.3.6 Allocation of deposited shares

- 1. Shares deposited in the *Euronext Clearing* securities accounts indicated at Article B.3.3.5, are automatically allocated to cover the short "call" *Positions* in options on shares registered in the accounts indicated at Article B.3.1.2, paragraphs 1 and 2, of the *Regulations*.
- Clearing Members by the deadlines established at letter E) of Annex B.211, and using the BCS - may change the allocation of the deposited shares:
 - a) from the cover of short "call" Positions in options on shares, to the cover of short Positions in stock futures with physical delivery;
 - b) from the cover of short *Positions* in stock futures with physical delivery, to the cover of short "call" *Positions* in options on shares;
 - c) from the cover of *Positions* registered in the account, to the cover of *Positions* registered in a sub-account of the same account;
 - d) from the cover of *Positions* registered in a sub-account, to the cover of *Positions* registered in the relevant account;
 - e) from the cover of *Positions* registered in a sub-account, to the cover of *Positions* registered in another sub-account of the same account.
- 3. In the event of malfunction of the *BCS, the Member* may forward the allocation change request to *Euronext Clearing* via *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction, by fax, by the same deadlines as indicated at paragraph 2, using the form set out at Annexes B.336.
- 4. Requests pursuant to paragraph 2 relating to *Positions* of a *Trading Client* may be forwarded:
 - a) by the General Clearing Member or,



- b) by the *Trading Client* mandated pursuant to Article B.1.2.3, paragraph 2.
- 5. Changes in allocation are not allowed if the shares are tied to satisfy obligations to the *Settlement Services*, pursuant to Article B.3.3.3, paragraph 6.



CHAPTER B.4 Daily Settlement

Article B.4.1.1 Daily Settlement

- 1. The amount of cash to be paid daily in euro shall be reported by *Euronext Clearing* to each *Clearing Member* and to *Settlement Agents* by means of the *Reports,* the *Notice of Payment* and through the "Daily payments accounting system" set out at Article B.9.1.2.
- 2. Payments in euros under paragraph 1 must be made by *Clearing Members* or by *Settlement Agents*, ensuring its own *DCA RTGS* in *T2 System* has sufficient funds prior to and no later than the following deadlines established by Article B.5.1.1 of the *Regulations*:
 - a. 9.00 a.m. on the Euronext Clearing open day on which the payment is due for *Clearing Members active on Euronext Equity Section.*
 - b. 9.30 a.m. on the Euronext Clearing open day on which the payment is due for all other Sections of the System;

Payments should be made in accordance with the methods indicated in Annex B.411, letter A) or for the Euronext Equity Section in Annex B.411bis letter A).

- 3. *Euronext Clearing* makes payments in euro to the corresponding *DCA RTGS* in *T2 System* of *Clearing Members* or *Settlement Agents*, by the methods indicated in in the same Annexes.
- 4. The determination of the amount of cash to be paid in euro, due in relation to the final settlement of differentials and other item, defined in currencies other than the euro, takes place on the basis of the change which applies to *Euronext Clearing* by the intermediary appointed for the purchase or sale of the currency.



CHAPTER B.5 Final settlement of Positions of BITA Cash Sections and Euronext Equity section

Article B.5.1.1 Final settlement of Positions of Cash Sections

- 1. The *Positions,* whose settlement date is after the trade date, shall be sent:
 - a. to the *Settlement Services* referred to in article B.13.1.1, paragraph 1, letter a) at the end of the day prior to the settlement date, for the *Positions* of the *Sections* other than the *ICSD Bond Section and other than Euronext Equity Section;*
 - b. to the *Settlement Services* referred to in in article B.13.1.1 paragraph 1, letter b) on the open days of the *T2 System*, within the time limits indicated in Annex B.511A of the day prior to the settlement date, for the *Positions* of the *ICSD Bond Section*;
 - c. to the *Settlement Services*, as defined in Article B.13.1.1bis, on the open days of the Settlement Services, at the end of trade date, for the *Positions* for the Euronext Equity Section.
- 2. The *Positions*, for which the *Contractual Scheme* makes provision for the settlement to occur on the trade date, shall be sent to the *Settlement Services* right after the conclusion of the contract.
- 3. *Positions* in the *Cash Section* may be partially settled, in the manner indicated in Annex B.511B.
- 4. Requests to change or cancel *Positions,* sent to the *Settlement Services* and awaiting settlement or not settled within the time limits established by the *Contractual Scheme*, may be sent to the *Settlement Services* only by *Euronext Clearing*. In the event of requests for cancellation sent by a *Member*, the provisions of Chapter B.7 shall apply.
- 5.For the *Euronext Equity Section*, *Clearing Members* may request to the Settlement Service to suspend the settlement of *Positions* already sent to the *Settlement Services* and awaiting settlement



or not settled within the time limits established by the *Contractual Scheme*.

Article B.5.1.2 Manner of creating the balances to be settled at a Settlement Service BITA Cash Sections

- 1. The *Positions* whose settlement takes place at a *Settlement Service* managed by Euronext Securities Milan are aggregated into bilateral balances calculated by the *Pre-settlement Service*, pursuant to Article B.11.1.1, in the manner indicated in its rules.
- 2. The *Positions* whose settlement takes place at a *Settlement Service* managed by a *Foreign Entity* are aggregated into bilateral balances calculated in the manner indicated in the *Manual for the creation of net balances for the ICSDs.* In this case The Presettlement information is made available by *Euronext Clearing* to the *Clearing Members* and the related *Settlement Agents* in the manner indicated in Article B.9.1.1.
- 3. The information on the settlement is provided to the *Clearing Members* or the related *Settlement Agents* by the *Settlement Service*.

Article B.5.1.2-bis Manner of creating the balances to be settled at a Settlement Service for Euronext Equity Section

1. The *Positions* registered in *Position Accounts* of the *Euronext Equity Section* are aggregated into net settlement balances calculated per Delivery *Account* according to the following attributes:

a.Intended Settlement Date (ISD);

b.*settlement* currency.

2. When the aggregation of *Positions* result in net settlement balances for delivery or receipt of cash or securities only, or for delivery or receipt of both cash and securities to the same *Clearing Member* ("strange nets") settlement instructions are entered into the relevant *Settlement Service* according to the configuration requested to *Euronext Clearing* by the *Clearing Member*, where available, or on the basis of the functioning rules of the relevant *Settlement Service*.



- 3.Each *Position Account* shall be linked to a *Delivery Account. Each Delivery Account* may be linked to one or several *Position Accounts. The Clearing Member may request Euronext Clearing to open several Delivery Accounts.* The *Clearing Member* defines the link between *Position Accounts* and *Delivery Account(s)*.
- 4.Each *Delivery Account* shall be linked only to one *Settlement Address* for the delivery of *Financial Instruments* in relevant *Settlement System*, unless Euronext Clearing requires the Clearing Member to specify an additional *Settlement Address* for operational reason.
- 5. The Clearing Member shall set the configuration of the *Delivery Accounts* and the relevant *Settlement Address* details specified in the Annexes and shall communicate relevant information to *Euronext Clearing* at the time of onboarding and shall communicate relevant information to *Euronext Clearing* later on, at any time, in case of configuration changes required by the *Clearing Member*.

Article B.5.1.2-*ter* Final settlement of Positions of the *Euronext* Equity Sections

- 1.Settlement of *Positions* is instructed by Euronext Clearing to the relevant *Settlement Service*, at the end of trade date, and according to the following rules:
 - a.Settlement instructions on EURO denominated securities for final settlement in Settlement Services as defined in Article B.13.1.1.bis
 - b.Settlement instructions on EURO denominated securities not eligible in Euronext Securities Milan, and on non-EURO denominated securities as well as on international exchange traded products issued by Euroclear Bank are sent to Euroclear Bank.
- 2.Euronext Clearing shall instruct the *settlement account in the relevant Settlement Service* associated to each Delivery Account,



on behalf of the *Clearing Member* or on behalf of the *Settlement Agent* of the *Clearing Member* via a power of attorney.

- 3. The *Clearing Member* may request that all settlement instructions are systematically suspended from settlement since the moment of the entry into the Settlement Service. In this case, the *Clearing Member or its Settlement Agent* shall request the *Settlement Service* to release each suspended instruction to allow for the settlement within the intended settlement date as provided by the *Contractual Scheme*.
- 4.Settlement instructions to be settled in the *Settlement Services* referred to in article B.13.1.1 bis letters from a) to e) are sent by *Euronext Clearing* as already matched. Settlement instructions to be settled in the *Settlement Services* referred to in article B.13.1.1 bis shall be matched by *Clearing Members* or their *Settlement Agents* according to the rules of *Settlement Service.*
- 5. Partial settlement is always allowed for all Settlement Services.

Article B.5.1.3 Final cash settlement in the event of default or service termination by the *Special Clearing Member* or the service termination by *Euronext Clearing*

1. The determination of the price at which *Euronext Clearing* proceeds for cash settlement pursuant to Article B.6.2.2 bis, paragraph 1, point *iv*) and paragraph 3 and Article B.6.2.5 paragraph 2, point iii), of the *Regulations* is carried out according to the methods and criteria for the valuation of variables specified in the Annex B.514. These methods and criteria are aimed to assign a market value at which to settle the positions on the cash settlement date. The price should be representative of the economic value of the underlying financial instruments and the future cash flows at the date of the cash settlement.



CHAPTER B.6 Exercise of options and settlement of Positions in Derivatives Sections

Heading B.6.1 Exercise of options of the Equity Derivatives Section

Article B.6.1.1 Early exercise

- 1. Clearing Members may forward a request for early exercise of the options to Euronext Clearing, where this right is provided by the Contractual Scheme, by the deadline indicated at letter A) of the Annex B.611, through the BCS. Applications for early exercise received before the said term shall have effect on the day of receipt, while those received after the said term shall not be executed.
- 2. In the event of malfunction of the *BCS*, the application, may be sent via *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction, by fax, by sending the form provided at Annex B.611A.
- 3. The applications indicated at the previous paragraph are not accepted if forwarded for a number greater than the *Positions* opened on the same *Series* in the name of the *Member* concerned.
- 4. Adjustments or revocations of applications for early exercise may be made, only within the deadline indicated at letter A) of the Annex B.611, by forwarding an appropriate application to *Euronext Clearing* through the *BCS*. Applications received by the deadline indicated above shall be executed on the day of receipt, while those received after the said term shall not be executed. The provisions of paragraph 2 shall also apply to such applications.
- 5. Options shall be understood as exercised with respect to *Euronext Clearing* on expiry of the term provided in letter A) of the Annex B.611 and from that moment they shall no longer be revocable or amendable. Subsequently, on the same business day as the application for early exercise, *Euronext Clearing* shall exercise the corresponding strike rights pursuant to Article B.5.2.5 of the *Regulations*, notifying *Members* concerned through the *BCS*.



Where the said notice concerns *Positions* of a *Trading Client*, it shall be forwarded also to the said *Trading Client*.

Article B.6.1.2 Exercise at maturity

- 1. At the end of the trading of the matured Series:
 - a) the option contracts matured are «In-the-Money», «Atthe-Money» e «Out-of-the-Money» on the basis of the price or the value of the underlying asset, conventionally equal to:
 - for options on shares, at the reference price of the underlying share on the last day of trading;
 - for options on Stock Market indices, at the settlement price determined by the *Management Company*;
 - b) options considered «In-the-Money», shall be considered tacitly exercised by *Members* following the deadline indicated at letter B), point 2) of the Annex B.611 and are not required to be met, only when the *Scheme* sets out delivery of the underlying, via express request in accordance with paragraph 2;
 - c) options considered «At-the-Money» and «Out-of-the-Money» may be exercised, only when the *Contractual Scheme* sets out delivery of the underlying.
 - d) In the case the *Contractual Scheme* provides for the delivery of the underlying, *Euronext Clearing* forwards to *Clearing Members* the *Reports* which show whether the contracts are «In-the-Money», «At-the-Money» e «Out-of-the-Money», as indicated at letter a).
- 2. With reference to options whose *Contractual Scheme* provides the delivery of the underlying, prior to and not later than the deadlines indicated at letter B), point 1) of the Annex B.611, *Members* may forward to *Euronext Clearing*, for each account, sub-account and *Series*, express requests relating to the exercise (the so-called "exercise by exception"), through the *BCS*. In such cases, the request for "exercise by exception" must indicate the



number of options that the *Member* intends to effectively exercise. Where the *Member* does not wish to exercise any option indicated in the list of «In-the-Money» options, the said Members' request must indicate the number zero for "exercise by exception".

- 3. In the event of malfunction of the *BCS*, the requests indicated at paragraph 2 shall be forwarded through *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction, via fax, by sending the form provided at Annex B.612.
- 4. If a request as indicated at paragraph 2 or 3 is effected for a number of options greater than the number of matured options, the said request shall not be accepted by *Euronext Clearing*, The rejection is immediately notified to the *Member* concerned through the *Trading System*.
- 5. Adjustments or revocations of requests for "exercise by exception" may be received by *Euronext Clearing* within the deadlines indicated at letter B), point 1) of the Annex B.6.11 through the *BCS*, by inserting a new request that cancels and replaces the previous one. In the event of malfunction of the *BCS*, paragraph 3 shall apply.
- 6. The options are understood as exercised with respect to *Euronext Clearing* on the expiry of the deadline indicated in letter B), point
 2) of the Annex B.611, and from that moment are not revocable or amendable. On the same day, and after the expiry of the said deadlines, *Euronext Clearing* shall:
 - a) exercise, pursuant to Article B.5.2.5 of the Regulations, the corresponding rights of option, taking account of the requests for "exercise by exception" received by Members pursuant to the preceding paragraphs;
 - b) forward the notice of *Positions* in assigned options to the *Members* concerned through the *BCS*: the same information is also sent through the *Reports* to *Clearing Members* and to *Trading Clients* authorized pursuant to Article B.1.2.3, paragraph 4.



Heading B.6.2 Final settlement of Positions of the Equity Derivatives Section with consignment of underlying assets

Article B.6.2.1 Options on individual shares

- 1. Before 9.00 am on the *Market* trading day following the exercise, *Euronext Clearing* shall communicate to each *Clearing Member*, through the *Reports*, and to the *Settlement Agent*, the amounts of shares in "delivery" (or in "withdrawal") to them, and the corresponding countervalue to be received (or paid).
- The obligation to "consign" shares indicated at paragraph 1 shall be considered discharged by the *Member* where the underlying shares have been previously deposited, according to the provision of Article B.3.3.3.

Article B.6.2.1 Stock Futures with physical delivery

- 1. Before 9.00 am on the *Market* trading day following the maturity of the contract, *Euronext Clearing* shall communicate to each *Clearing Member*, through the *Reports*, and to the *Settlement Agent*, the amounts of shares in "consignment" (or in "withdrawal") to them, and the corresponding countervalue to be received (or paid).
- 2. The obligation to "consign" shares indicated at paragraph 1 shall be considered discharged by the *Member* where the underlying shares have been previously deposited, according to the provision of Article B.3.3.3.



Heading B.6.3 Final settlement of differentials of Positions of the Equity Derivatives Section and the Energy Derivatives Section

Article B.6.3.1 Settlement of Positions of the Equity Derivatives Section

1. The settlement of the differential of *Positions* in options and futures on Stock Market indices and in stock futures with cash settlement is carried out on the *Euronext Clearing open day* following the day of maturity.

Article B.6.3.2 Settlement of Positions of the Energy Derivatives Section

- 1. Settlement of the differential of the *Positions* of the *Energy Derivatives Section* is carried out on the *Euronext Clearing open day* following the last day of the *Delivery Period*.
- 2. If the last day of the *Delivery Period* falls on a day in which the market is closed, the settlement of the differential is made on the second *Euronext Clearing open day* following the last day of the *Delivery Period*.
- 3. In the event that the *Settlement Price* is communicated by the *Management Company* to *Euronext Clearing* after the *Euronext Clearing* open day preceding the day of settlement of the differential, it shall be settled on the *Euronext Clearing open day* following that on which the communication is received.



Heading B.6.4 Final settlement of the Positions of the Agricultural Commodity Derivatives Section

Article B.6.4.1 Definition of the days relevant for the final settlement of the Positions of the Agricultural Commodity Derivatives Section

- 1. For the final settlement of the *Positions* of the *Agricultural Commodity Derivatives Section* the days referred to in Article B.5.2.6 et seq. of the *Regulations* shall be as follows:
 - a. the "day for monitoring Positions" shall be the tenth trading day before the maturity day of the contract specified in the *Contractual Scheme* (T-10);
 - b. the "day for attesting the covering of sales positions", shall be the fourth trading day before the "maturity day" of the contract specified in the *Contractual Scheme* (T-4);
 - c. the "period for the late attestation of the covering of sales positions" shall be the period from the "day for attesting the covering of sales positions" to the first *Euronext Clearing open day* after the "maturity day" (i.e. from T-3 to T+1);
 - d. the "maturity day" shall be the maturity day of the contract specified in the *Contractual Scheme*, i.e. the tenth day of the maturity month or, if this is a non-trading day, the first subsequent trading day (T);
 - e. the "first phase of alternative delivery" shall be the first *Euronext Clearing open day* after the "maturity day" of the contract (T+1);
 - f. the "second phase of alternative delivery" shall be the second and third *Euronext Clearing open days* after the "maturity day" of the contract (T+2 and T+3);
 - g. the "last delivery day" shall be the tenth *Euronext Clearing* open day after the "maturity day" (T+10).



Article B.6.4.2 Settlement of the Positions of the Agricultural Commodity Derivatives Section – Covering of sales positions

- 1. The covering of *Positions in Delivery* shall be attested by the selling *Clearing Member* on the basis of the deposit certificate issued by the silo(s) referred to in Article B.6.4.4, paragraph 1.
- 2. Pursuant to Article B.5.2.7 of the *Regulations*, the information on the covering of *Positions in Delivery* shall be provided by *Clearing Members* to *Euronext Clearing* by sending Annex B.642 via *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction, via fax.
- 3. The notification of the covering of *Positions in Delivery* referred to in Article B.5.2.7, paragraph 2, of the *Regulation* must be made at the latest by 12:00 on the last day of the "period for the late attestation of the covering of sales positions".

Article B.6.4.3 Settlement of the Positions of the Agricultural Commodity Derivatives Section – Alternative delivery and matching

- 1. *Members* whose *Clients* intend to adopt alternative delivery methods, as provided for in Article B.5.2.8, paragraph 1, of the *Regulations* shall notify the *Positions in Delivery* to be delivered by an alternative method to *Euronext Clearing* by 15:00 of the "first phase of alternative delivery" by sending Annex B.643A via *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction, via fax.
- 2. Upon receiving the notification, *Euronext Clearing* shall close the *Positions* to be delivered by an alternative method.
- 3. On the *Euronext Clearing open day* after the "first phase of alternative delivery" *Euronext Clearing* shall send *Reports* informing each Member of the matching of their *Positions,* those of their *Clients*, and those of the latter's *Indirect Clients*.
- 4. As provided for in Article B.5.2.8, paragraph 4, of the *Regulations*, in the "second phase of alternative delivery", Members may again agree to adopt alternative delivery methods in connection with the matches notified by *Euronext Clearing*. By 15:00 on the last day of the "second phase of alternative



delivery" the latter shall send *Euronext Clearing* via *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction, via fax the Annex B.643B referred to above, duly signed by both *Members*. Upon receipt of the notification, paragraph 2 shall apply.

Article B.6.4.4 Settlement of the Positions of the Agricultural Commodity Derivatives Section – Delivery procedure

- 1. For the purposes of the final settlement of the *Positions* of the *Agricultural Commodity Derivatives Section*, the underlying shall be delivered at the silos specified in Annex B.644.
- 2. In exceptional cases, in which it is not possible to store the goods at the silos referred to in paragraph 1, for space or other reasons, *Euronext Clearing* may indicate alternative sites for delivery in a *Notice*, specifying the procedures to be followed, or may postpone the deadline for the delivery referred to in Article B.5.2.9, paragraph 2, of the *Regulations*.
- 3. If the contract cannot be executed for reasons of *force majeure*, *Euronext Clearing* shall carry out differential settlement in accordance with Article B.6.4.6.
- 4. The withdrawal of the underlying in executing the *Positions in Delivery* shall take place starting from the fourth *Euronext Clearing open day* after the maturity day of the contract, for minimum contracts of 50 tons with a tolerance of \pm 20 kg for each loaded truck. The withdrawal of the underlying must be preceded by the notification to the silos of the time and manner of the withdrawal.
- 5. The withdrawing party, via its *Clearing Member*, shall promptly notify *Euronext Clearing* of the withdrawal of the goods and the acceptance thereof or the application of Article B.6.4.5. The notification shall be made by sending Annex B.644A via *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction, via fax.
- 6. Pursuant to Article B.5.2.9, paragraph 4, of the *Regulations*, payment for the goods withdrawn shall be made in the manner agreed between the parties, in a way that allows the seller to receive the means of payment by 12:00 on the third business day



after the day on which the goods were withdrawn or accepted in accordance with the previous paragraph.

7. By 18:30 on the day of receiving payment, the delivering party, via its *Clearing Member*, shall notify *Euronext Clearing* of the settlement of the contract. The notification shall be made by sending Annex B.644B via *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction, via fax.

Article B.6.4.5 Settlement of the Positions of the Agricultural Commodity Derivatives Section – Contesting the quality of the underlying

- 1. Pursuant to Article B.5.2.9, paragraph 3, of the *Regulations*, for the purpose of verifying the quality of the underlying, the withdrawing party, at its expense, may request one of the entities identified by *Euronext Clearing* in Annex B.645 to take 5 samples of wheat from each loaded truck.
- 2. The samples, taken as provided for in paragraph 1, may be used by the withdrawing party to request the AGER laboratory in Bologna to perform appropriate analyses. In such case, the *Member*, within the following day, shall request the entity referred to in the previous paragraph to send the samples promptly to the AGER laboratory in Bologna and shall inform *Euronext Clearing* accordingly. The absence of the notification to *Euronext Clearing* within the above time limits shall entail full acceptance of the goods. The notification shall be made in the manner specified in paragraph 5 of Article B.6.4.4.
- 3. *Euronext Clearing* and the withdrawing *Clearing Member* shall examine the results of the analyses performed by the AGER laboratory in Bologna showing the conformity or otherwise of the quality of the wheat with that of the underlying specified in the *Contractual Scheme.*
- 4. If the quality of the goods conforms with that of the underlying specified in the *Contractual Scheme*, the withdrawing party must make payment for the goods withdrawn by the end of the business day following the AGER laboratory's notification.



- 5. If the quality of the goods does not conform with that of the underlying specified in the *Contractual Scheme*, *Euronext Clearing* shall declare the delivering *Member* in default in accordance with Article B.5.2.9, paragraph 7, of the *Regulations*. The withdrawing *Member* must return the goods in a manner to be agreed with the counterparty and *Euronext Clearing* shall be relieved of its obligations vis-à-vis the *Members*.
- 6. If for reasons of *force majeure*, the AGER laboratory in Bologna is unable to perform the analyses requested within 7 business days of the delivery of the samples, *Euronext Clearing* may arrange for the analyses to be performed by another laboratory that it shall identify.

Article B.6.4.6 Settlement of the Positions of the Agricultural Commodity Derivatives Section – Differential settlement

1. In the case of default, in accordance with Article B.6.2.1, paragraphs 1(c) and 2, of the *Regulations*, final settlement shall be by settlement of the cash differential. In such case the *Settlement Price* shall be calculated in accordance with Annex B.646.

CHAPTER B.7 Fail, Buy-In and Sell-Out

Heading B.7.1 Fail and Buy-in for BITA Sections

Article B.7.1.1 Management of *Failed Positions* in the *Cash and Derivative Sections*

- 1. Clearing in each of the accounts indicated at Article B.3.1.2 of the *Regulations* shall not apply to *Failed Positions*, with the exception of the provisions stated in paragraph 6.
- 2. *Failed Positions* are registered into accounts indicated at Article B.3.1.2 of the *Regulations* according to the rules indicated at Annex B.711.
- 3. *Euronext Clearing* delivers the *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* to the *Member* in bonis when the failed entries are



settled within the terms and by the methods indicated in Articles B.7.1.2 and B.7.1.3.

- 4. *Euronext Clearing* may defer the "end of validity" of the settlement failed instruction if, on the "end of validity date" the conditions to enable the execution of the *Buy In* indicated in Article B.7.1.3, do not exist since, taking into account the matching mechanism performed by the instructions of the Settlement System, at the instruction of the in bonis *Member* does not correspond an instruction of an in malis *Member*, or when in correspondence of the failed instruction has been settled an instruction of the same *Member* with following settlement date on the same *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments*. In this latter case *Participants* shall forward to *Euronext Clearing* the request for deferral using Annexes B.711A, B.711B, B713F e B713G. *Euronext Clearing* shall inform the *Member* of the modification of the terms and methods of delivery of the *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments*.
- 5. In order to reduce financial risk and in extraordinary cases, where *Euronext Clearing* does not succeed in delivering *Financial Instruments* withdrawn in the *gross settlement* process due to a settling counterparty's lack of cash, *Euronext Clearing* may cancel or request the company that manages the *Settlement Services* to suspend all further *Financial Instrument* delivery operations in favour of the said counterparty, possibly including the suspension of *Financial Instrument* withdrawal operations from other settlement counterparties for quantities commensurate with the suspended delivery operations.
- 6. In exceptional cases, according to the terms and methods communicated by *Euronext Clearing*, as a general rule or on case-by-case basis, the compensation of *Failed Positions* of the same *Member* will be allowed if:
 - a) the settlement date of the receive transaction is prior to the settlement date of the delivery transaction;
 - b) the settlement date of the delivery transaction is prior to the settlement date of receive transaction, if the delivery transaction is originated by an early exercise of a short call option and the settlement date of the receive trade is originated by a trade executed the following day when the market is open.





Article B.7.1.2 Activation of Buy-In procedure

- 1. Pursuant to Article B.5.3.2 of the Regulations, where *Failed Positions* are not settled due to failure to fulfill the obligation to deliver *Non- Derivative Financial Instruments* on the settlement date provided by the *Contractual Scheme*, *Euronext Clearing* notifies the activation of *Buy-in Procedure* to the *Clearing Member* affected by the *Failed Positions* by means of a report:
 - a) the Euronext Clearing open day following the settlement date (S+1) for shares of the Share Section and the Equity Derivatives Section;
 - b) the fourth *Euronext Clearing open* day following the settlement date (S+4) for *Financial Instruments* of the *Share Section* other than shares (convertible bonds, warrants, units of closeend funds, units of open-end funds, securitized derivatives financial instruments);
 - c) the seventh *Euronext Clearing open* day following the settlement date (S+7) for *Financial Instruments* of the *Bond Section* and for the *ISCD Bond Section*.
- 2. Without prejudice to the provisions of the following paragraphs, *Failed Positions* in the *Share and Derivative Sections* must be settled within the forth *Euronext Clearing open* day following the date of settlement provided in the *Contractual Scheme* (S+4) for *Financial Instruments* referred to in paragraph 1, letter a); the seventh *Euronext Clearing open* day following the date of settlement provided in the *Contractual Scheme* (S+7) for the *Financial Instruments* referred to in paragraph 1, letter c); the tenth *Euronext Clearing open* day following the date of settlement provided in the *Contractual Scheme* (S+10) for the *Financial Instruments* referred to in paragraph 1, letter d). For financial *Instruments* referred to in paragraph 1, letter d). For financial instruments of the *ICSD Bond Section*, *Euronext Clearing* may set a different time limit taking into account the open days of the payment systems of the currencies other than euro.
- 3. In cases of urgency and for the purposes of protecting the System, *Euronext Clearing* may proceed to execution of the *Buy*-*In* starting on the *Euronext Clearing open day* following that of failure to fulfil the obligation to deliver (S+1). In cases where the *Positions in Fail* involve *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* that



are considered unavailable, *Euronext Clearing* may proceed to cash settlement starting on day S+1, pursuant to Article B.7.1.3, paragraph 10, informing promptly the interested Members and Settlement Agents.

4. Provisions of this Article do not apply to *Positions* on option rights resulting from the corporate actions management of *Non Derivatives Financial Instruments Fail* object of *Fail Positions.*

Article B.7.1.3 Execution of the Buy-In procedure

- 1. Without prejudice to the provision of Article B.7.1.2, paragraph 3, and when *Euronext Clearing* postpone the *Buy-In* execution to allow the *Buyer Protection* exercise, if the *Failed Position* is still not settled within the date indicated in Article B.7.1.2, paragraphs 2, *Euronext Clearing* shall proceed with the *Buy-In* on the following market day notifying the *Members* concerned by means of a report and appointing a *Buy-In Agent* pursuant to Article B.7.1.8.
- 2. Exclusively in the *Cash and Derivative Sections*, before proceeding to the execution of the *Buy-In*:
 - a) *Euronext Clearing* allows the in bonis *Clearing Member* to compensate the *Failed Positions* related to the same *Non Derivatives Financial Instruments* having:
 - settlement date of the withdrawal preceding the settlement date of the delivery by no more than two *Euronext Clearing open days*;
 - settlement date of the withdrawal preceding the settlement date of the delivery by no more than three *Euronext Clearing open days*, exclusively for *Non Derivatives Financial Instruments* for which the *Contractual Scheme* provides that the settlement takes place the third *Euronext Clearing open day* after the trading day;
 - settlement date of the delivery preceding the settlement date of the withdrawal, in case the delivery has been generated by an early assignment on a short call option and the withdrawal by an operation concluded on the following open market day;



- b) the request of compensation can be submitted only on the end of validity date of the first one between the two *Fail Positions* which are meant to be compensated, according to the modalities indicated in the Annex B.713 and using the form at the Annex B.713A;
- c) the request of compensation indicated at letter b) can be submitted by the *Settlement Agent*, in case the latter had been delegated by the *Clearing Member*; for this purpose, the *Clearing Member* submits to *Euronext Clearing* the form at the Annex B.713B, in original anticipated via *ICWS* or, in the event of its malfunction, via fax;
- d) in case the management of the compensation has been delegated to a *Settlement Agent* by the *Clearing Member*, the *Settlement Agent* should advise *Euronext Clearing* about the persons authorised to undersign the request in the Annex B.713A, through the form at the Annex B.713C;
- e) in case the delivery having a settlement date following the one of the withdrawal had a nominal and/or countervalue higher than the withdrawal, *Euronext Clearing* shall submit into the *Settlement* an instruction for the residual;
- f) the possible cash residual arising from the compensation for the Non-Derivatives Financial Instruments which are settled in euro is paid by the *Clearing Member* or by *Euronext* Clearing within the Daily Settlement of the Euronext *Clearing open day* following the one when the compensation place; for the Non-Derivative has taken Financial Instruments which are settled in currency other than euro, the cash residual is paid by the *Clearing Member* or by Euronext Clearing within the Daily Settlement of the Euronext Clearing open day following the one on which Euronext Clearing communicates to the Clearing Member the value in euro of the cash residual, unless differently agreed by the parties;
- 3. Within the *Buy-In* procedure:
 - a) *Euronext Clearing* reserves the right to accept the delivery of the *Financial Instruments*, by the *Clearing Member* in fail, upon his request, also in the period foreseen for the execution of the *Buy-In*, according to the timing and the methods provided in Annexes B713D1, B713D2, B713E, B713F e B713G;



- b) *Euronext Clearing* shall confer to the *Buy-In Agent* the order to buy, to the detriment of the *Clearing Member* in fail, the *Non-Derivatives Financial Instruments* not delivered by the latter by requiring the company that manages the *Settlement Services* to remove the failed settlement instructions;
- 4. If the Buy-In Agent does not succeed in buying the *Financial Instruments* the day *Euronext Clearing* has conferred the order referred to in paragraph 3, letter b), or only partially succeeds in doing so, he or she may buy them up to the second subsequent market day except in case of differing instructions from *Euronext Clearing*.
- 5. *Euronext Clearing* shall inform the following parties by means of a *report*:
 - a) *Members* in fail and in bonis *s* of the status of the *Buy-In procedure*;
 - b) *Members* on the amount in euro that must be payed to *Euronext Clearing* or that shall be received by *Euronext Clearing* if the countervalue of the *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* bought by the *Buy-In Agent* is greater/lower than that of the original contracts, pursuant to Article B.5.3.2 of the Regulations.
- 6. *Euronext Clearing* receives the *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* from the Buy-In Agent and delivers them to the *Member in bonis* on the settlement day equal to that of the *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* bought by the Buy-In Agent.
- 7. The *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* subject to Buy-In are delivered starting from *Members* in bonis, also partially and in more than one settlement day, who are to receive a lesser quantity.
- 8. The amount set out at paragraph 5, letter 4.b) must be paid by the *Member* affected by the *Failed Positions* to *Euronext Clearing* in the context of the *Daily Settlement* of the *Euronext Clearing* open day following that on which *Euronext Clearing* communicates to the *Clearing Member* the value of the amount.



- 9. If the countervalue of the *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* bought by the Buy-In Agent is smaller than that of the original contracts, the difference shall be recognized to the *Member* in bonis.
- 10. If the *Buy-In Agent* does not succeed in buying the *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* within the time frame provided by paragraph 4, *Euronext Clearing* shall consider the said *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* to be objectively unavailable, and shall proceed with respect to the *Member in bonis*, as provided by the Annex B.713H, to arrange for cash settlement, the amount of which shall be charged to the *Member* affected by the *Failed Positions*. *Euronext Clearing* shall notify *Members* affected by the *Failed Positions* and in bonis of the method for determining the amount subject to cash settlement. This paragraph does not apply if the in bonis *Clearing Member* request *Euronext Clearing* not to provide the cash settlement in order to exercise the *Buyer Protection*; the request has to be notified to *Euronext Clearing* within the timeline and according to the form specified in Annex B.713H-bis.
- 11. The cash settlement indicated at paragraph 10 shall occur in the context of the *Daily Settlement* of the *Euronext Clearing* open day following that on which the Buy-In Agent has been able to buy the *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* or for the *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* which are settled in currency other than euro, within the *Daily Settlement* of the *Euronext Clearing open day* following the one on which *Euronext Clearing* communicates to the *Clearing Member* the value in euro of the amount of the cash settlement.
- 12. Pursuant to Article B.5.3.2 of the *Regulations*, *Euronext Clearing* shall notify the *Member* affected by the Failed Positions of the costs incurred in the management of the *Buy-In Procedure*, which must be paid by the *Member* affected by the *Failed Positions* in the context of the *Daily Settlement* of the *Euronext Clearing* open day following that in which the notification was sent.
- 13.For the purposes of executing the Buy-In procedure, account shall be taken of the impact of the capital operations or operations of a general character indicated at Article B.3.1.6 of the *Regulations*.



Article B.7.1.4 Buy-In procedure for Failed Positions of the Special Clearing Member

- 1. Where the defaulting counterparty is a member of the *Special Clearing Member* of the *Bond Section*, the Buy-In is carried out by the *Special Clearing Member* within the timescale indicated at Article B.7.1.3, by its own methods. *Euronext Clearing* shall proceed to deliver the *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* received from the *Special Clearing Member* to the *Member*, or, in the event of partial delivery or failure to deliver, to cash settlement.
- 2. The delivery, including partial delivery of the *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* to the *Member* in bonis, shall take place, respecting the priority indicated at Article B.7.1.3, paragraph 7 after the cash/*Financial Instruments* balance is settled with the *Special Clearing Member*.
- 3. The cash settlement between *Euronext Clearing* and the member in bonis shall occur in the day on which the cash settlement between *Euronext Clearing* and the *Special Clearing Member* occurs.

<u>Heading B.7.2 Fail and Buy-in for Euronext Equity</u> <u>Section</u>

Article B.7.2.1 Management of Failed Positions for Euronext Equity Section

- 1. Failed Positions shall be settled within the timeframe set out in the Instructions
 - a)by the fourth Euronext Clearing open day following the settlement date (L+4), for shares of the Euronext Equity Section other than shares issued by ETFs;
 - b)by the seventh Euronext Clearing open day following the settlement date (L+7), for all *Financial Instruments* of the Euronext Equity Section other than shares listed under letter a);



- 2. In cases of urgency, for the purpose of protecting the interest of the System, Euronext Clearing may proceed with the execution of the Buy-In Procedure starting from the Day of Euronext Clearing opened following that of non-fulfilment of the obligation of "delivery" (L + 1). In cases where the Positions in Fail concern Financial Instruments considered untraceable, Euronext Clearing may proceed from L+1 to the cash settlement, in accordance with the provisions of Article B.7.2.3, paragraph 3, promptly informing the Clearing Members and the Settlement Agents concerned.
- 3. In order to reduce financial risk and in extraordinary cases, where *Euronext Clearing* does not succeed in delivering *Financial Instruments* withdrawn in the settlement process due to a settling counterparty's lack of cash, *Euronext Clearing* may cancel or request the company that manages the *Settlement Services* to suspend all further *Financial Instrument* delivery operations in favour of the said counterparty, possibly including the suspension of *Financial Instrument* withdrawal operations from other settlement counterparties for quantities commensurate with the suspended delivery operations.
- 4. *Failed Positions* are registered within a dedicated *Position Account* identified by the *Clearing Member.* By default, the CCP shall register *Failed Positions* pursuant to the following rules:
 - a)in case of only one *Position Account* linked to a single *Delivery Account*, failed *Positions* are registered within said *Position Account*;
 - b)in case of NOSA and GOSA *Structures,* in case of several *Client Position Accounts* linked to a single *Delivery Account, Failed Positions* are in a dedicated additional *Position Account.* In case of GOSA *Structures,* the additional *Position Account* dedicated to *Failed Positions* shall be linked to a separate additional *Margin Account.*
 - c)in case of several *House* and *Client Position Accounts* linked to a single *Delivery Account, Failed Positions* are registered within a dedicated *House Position Account*.



Article B.7.2.2 Buy-in Procedure for Euronext Equity Section

- 1. *Euronext Clearing* shall carry out the *Buy-In Procedure* with respect to *Failed Positions* that are not settled within the deadline referred to in article B.7.2.1 paragraph 1, except in the cases provided in paragraph 5 of this Article.
- 2. Euronext Clearing shall activate the *Buy-in Procedure* by notifying the *Member in Fail*:
 - a)by the fifth Euronext Clearing open day following the settlement date specified in the *Contractual Scheme* (L+5) for the *Financial Instruments* referred to in Article B.7.2.1, paragraph 1, letter a);
 - b)by the eighth *Euronext Clearing* open day following the settlement date specified in the *Contractual Scheme* (L+8) for the *Financial Instruments* referred to in Article B.7.2.1, paragraph 1, letter b);

Euronext Clearing may modify the deadline mentioned above in case of corporate actions.

- 3. Following the notice referred to in the paragraph above, the *Clearing Member*, or its *Settlement Agent*, in *Fail* may commit to deliver the *Financial Instruments* by the deadline specified in Annex B.722. Delivery to *Euronext Clearing*, after the above-mentioned deadline is always allowed provided that the *Buy-in Agent* has given its prior consent. In case the *Clearing Member in Fail* does not deliver the securities by the deadline specified in the Annex B.722 and the execution period has expired *Euronext Clearing* performs the cash settlement. This paragraph does not apply if the in bonis *Clearing Member* requests *Euronext Clearing* not to provide the cash settlement in order to exercise the *Buyer Protection*; the request has to be notified to *Euronext Clearing* within the timeline and according to the form specified in Annex B.713H-bis.
- 4. On the date of activation of the *Buy-in Procedure, Euronext Clearing* shall request the *Settlement Services* to suspend the settlement of the *Failed Positions*.



- 5. *Euronext Clearing* shall not activate the *Buy-in Procedure* in the following cases:
 - a)if the financial instruments subject to the *Position in Fail* no longer exist;
 - b)in the event of unavailability, based on the criteria set out in the *Instructions*.

Euronext Clearing shall calculate the amount of the cash settlement taking into account the values determined with the methods specified in the Annexes.

6. The payment of cash settlement in accordance with this Article shall be made within the next *Euronext Clearing open day*. For this purpose, Euronext Clearing inputs settlement instructions for cash within the Settlement System. This provision shall also apply if the events described in letters a) and b) of paragraph 5 occur after the activation of the *Buy-in Procedure*.

Article B.7.2.3 Execution of the Buy-in for Euronext Equity Section

- 1. For the purpose of execution of the *Buy-in*, *Euronext Clearing* requests the *Settlement Services* to cancel the settlement instructions and, in the case of partial execution, shall enter new *Failed Positions* for the part not executed. The cancellation and the entering of settlement instructions are performed at the end of each business day of Buy-in execution.
- 2. *Euronext Clearing* shall notify the results of the *Buy-In*. The notification referred to in this paragraph includes also the amount of the price difference. If the buy-in price is higher than the original price of the *Position in Fail*, the difference will be debited to the *Failing Clearing Member*. If the buy-in price is lower than the original price of the *Position in Fail*, the difference will be credited to the failing seller Clearing Member.
- 3. If the *Buy-In Agent* is not able to purchase all or part of the *Financial Instruments* by the following deadlines:



- a) the first *Euronext Clearing open day* after the triggering of the buy-in procedure for liquid shares;
- b)the third *Euronext Clearing open day* following after the triggering of the buy-in procedure for all other Financial Instruments other than those referred under letter a).

Euronext clearing applies the cash settlement. For the purpose of this paragraph, liquid shares are those for which there is a liquid market shares that have a liquid market as referred to in point (b) of Article 2(1)(17) of Regulation (EU) No 600/2014.

Euronext Clearing may modify the deadline mentioned above in case of corporate actions.

- 4. Euronext Clearing shall notify the *Clearing Members* in Fail of the amount of the cash settlement determined in accordance with Article B. 7.2.2, paragraph 5.
- 5. The settlement of the amounts relating to the price difference and cash settlement referred to in this Article shall be carried out in the manner specified in article B.7.2.2 paragraph 6.

Article B.7.2.4 Offsetting of Failed Positions of the Euronext Equity Section

- 1. *Euronext Clearing* allows *Clearing Member* to compensate the *Failed Positions* related to the same *Financial Instruments,* pursuant to the methods set forth in Annex B.724.
- 2. The request of compensation can be submitted by the *Settlement Agent* in case the latter had been delegated by the *Clearing Member.* Euronext Clearing manages the requests received on a best effort basis.
- 3.Where the prices of the settlement instructions are different, Euronext Clearing shall calculate the price difference and create a settlement instruction for the residual, pursuant the methods set forth in Annex B.724.
- 4. The possible cash residual arising from the offsetting to be settled in euro is paid by the *Clearing Member* or by *Euronext Clearing*



within the *Euronext Clearing open day* following the one of the pair off. For this purpose Euronext Clearing inputs settlement instructions for cash within the Settlement System. For the *Financial Instruments* which are settled in currency other than euro, the cash residual is paid by the *Clearing Member* or by *Euronext Clearing* within of the *Euronext Clearing open day* following the one on which *Euronext Clearing* communicates to the *Clearing Member* of the cash residual, denominated in the relevant currency unless differently agreed by the parties.

Article B.7.2.5 Delivery of Financial Instruments and settlement of cash amounts related to Buy-in Procedure

- 1. Pursuant to article B.7.2.2, Euronext Clearing allows the delivery of the Financial Instruments, by the Clearing Member in fail, upon his request, according to the timing and the methods provided in Annexes.
- 2. The amount related to the price difference set out in article B.7.2.2 must be paid by the Failing Clearing Member to Euronext Clearing of the Euronext Clearing open day following that on which Euronext Clearing communicates to the Failing Clearing Member the value of the amount. For this purpose, Euronext Clearing inputs settlement instructions for cash within the Settlement System.
- 3. The settlement of the amounts related to the cash settlement as referred to in article B.7.2.2 shall occur within the Euronext Clearing open day following that on which the Buy-In Agent has been able to buy the Financial Instruments or for the Financial Instruments which are settled in currency other than euro, within the Euronext Clearing open day following the one on which Euronext Clearing communicates to the Clearing Member the value of the amount of the cash settlement, denominated in the relevant currency. For this purpose, Euronext Clearing inputs settlement instructions for cash within the Settlement System.



Heading B.7.3 Penalty mechanism

Article B.7.3.1 Penalty collection and distribution procedure

4. Based on the information sent from the Central depositories, by the fifteenth (15th) open *Euronext Clearing* day of each month, C&CG shall notify each *Clearing Member* and the *Settlement Agents* of the amount of the penalties by means of Reports, *Payment Notice*.

The amounts of the penalties applied in the previous month shall be aggregated into net balances.

- 5. The *Members* or the *Settlement Agents* must pay the cash penalty amounts by the 17th (seventeenth) open *Euronext Clearing* day of the month of payment. The collection of the debit penalties shall be made by direct debit from the *DCA RTGS* in the *T2* System in the manner set out in the Annexes.
- 6. *Euronext Clearing* shall credit the penalties to the corresponding *DCA RTGS* in the *T2 System* of the *Clearing Members* or the *Settlement Agents* in the manner set forth in the Annexes.

Heading B.7.4 Sell-out procedure

Article B.7.4.1 Sell-Out procedure

- 1. If a *Member* does not withdraw *Financial Instruments* due to lack of cash, *Euronext Clearing* shall, pursuant to Article B.5.3.3 of the *Regulations, Euronext Clearing* shall proceed to the Sell-Out of the *Failed Positions* that are not settled included those suspended pursuant to article B.7.1.1, paragraph 5, notifying the *Member* in fail, cancelling or requesting the company that manages the *Settlement Service* to remove the security delivery operations in favour of the said counterparty not settled due to lack of cash and those suspended pursuant to article B.7.1.1, paragraph 5.
- 2. Euronext Clearing may, also taking account of the methods of functioning of the Gross Settlement, postpone the terms of the Sell-Out, notifying Member involved.



- 3. *Euronext Clearing* shall appoint a Sell Out Agent pursuant to Article B.7.7.8, to sell the *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* delivered by the *Member* in bonis.
- 4. If the Sell Out Agent does not succeed in selling the *Non Derivative Financial Instruments* on the Sell Out execution day, or only partially succeeds in doing so, he or she may sell them on the subsequent trading day before 3 p.m.
- 5. *Euronext Clearing* shall inform the *Member* affected by the *Failed Positions* by report with respect to:
 - a) the status of the Sell Out procedure;
 - b) the amount in euro that it must pay *Euronext Clearing*, pursuant to Article B.5.3.3 of the *Regulations*, if the countervalue of the *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* sold by the Buy-In Agent is lesser than that of the original contracts.
- 6. *Euronext Clearing* shall deliver the *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* to the Sell-Out Agent in the context of the *Settlement Services* for the said settlement date, equal to that of the *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* sold by the Sell-Out Agent.
- 7. The amount set out at paragraph 5, letter b) must be paid by the *Member* affected by the *Failed Positions* to *Euronext Clearing* in the context of the *Daily Settlement* of the *Euronext Clearing* open day following that in which the *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* were sold by the Sell-Out Agent on which *Euronext Clearing* communicates to the *Clearing Member* the value of such amount.
- 8. If the countervalue of the *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* sold by the Sell-Out Agent is higher than that of the original contracts, the difference shall be deducted by *Euronext Clearing*.
- 9. In the event of failure by the Sell-Out Agent to sell the *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* within the time frame set out at paragraph 4, *Euronext Clearing* shall notify the *Member* affected by the *Failed Positions* of the original countervalue of the unsold *Financial Instruments* which, in order to cover losses, it is obliged



to pay *Euronext Clearing*, by payment to *Euronext Clearing* DCA RTGS in *T2 System* within the *Euronext Clearing Open Day* following that on which *Euronext Clearing* communicates to the *Clearing Member* the value in euro of such amount. On confirmation of payment *Euronext Clearing* shall deliver the *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* to the *Member* affected by the *Failed Positions*.

10. Euronext Clearing shall notify the Member affected by the Failed Positions of the costs incurred in the management of the Sell-Out Procedure, and the costs incurred by Euronext Clearing for the financing of Failed Position, which must be paid by the Member affected by the Failed Positions in the context of the Daily Settlement of the Euronext Clearing open day following that on which the notification was sent.

Heading B.7.5 Miscellaneous

Article B.7.5.1 Buy-In/Sell-Out agent

1. Intermediaries who do not control or are not controlled, directly or indirectly by the Clearing Member affected by the Failed *Positions* and who do not belong to the same Group as the Clearing Member shall be appointed by Euronext Clearing as Buy-In and Sell-Out Agents.

Heading B.7.6 Adjustment of Positions and Buyer Protection

Article B.7.6.1 Management of Positions

- 1. The management of *Positions* of *Cash*, referred to in Article B.3.1.6 of the *Rules*, is carried out by *Euronext Clearing* on the basis of the management made by the *Settlement Service* or, in the absence of management by the *Settlement Service*, on the basis of criteria designed to minimize the distortionary effects of the event and to discourage the delayed delivery of *Financial Instruments* or cash, referred to in Annex B716A.
- 2. At the end of the *Euronext Clearing open day* preceding the date of the *Position* management referred to in paragraph 1, in case of



a partial availability of *Financial Instruments*, *Euronext Clearing* reserves to itself the right to deliver these *Financial Instruments* to the in bonis counterparties having an older value date.

- 3. Where the interventions referred to in paragraph 1 provide for the transmission of a only-cash settlement instructions and the instruction is not settled within the intended settlement date, Euronext Clearing reserves to itself the possibility to request for the settlement in euro, in the context of the Daily Settlement referred to in article B.4.1.1. Furthermore, where the adjustment interventions referred to in paragraph 2 provide for the transmission of cash settlement instructions, Euronext Clearing communicates to the Member the eventual interests that Euronext Clearing has applied, that shall be paid by the Member in fail in the context of the Daily Settlement of the Euronext *Open Day* following the one on which Clearing the communications is forwarded.
- 4. The management of *Positions* in this Article considers the possible *Buyer Protection* exercise, in Article B.7.1.9.



Article B.7.6.2 Buyer Protection

- 1. In case of *Failed Position* on *Non Derivative Financial Instruments* subject to a mandatory corporate event with option or to a voluntary corporate event, the in bonis *Clearing Mamber*, or the *Settlement Agent*, may notify to *Euronext Clearing* the option/s requested sending the Buyer Protection Notice, within the *Euronext Clearing open day* before the last day to send the election instructions as provided by the corporate event.
- 2. The Buyer Protection Notice has to be sent to *Euronext Clearing* via *ICWS* for BITA Cash sections and via relevant Technological Infrastructure for Euronext Equity Section or, in the event of its malfunction, via e-mail or fax, within the timeline in Annex B.718 and through the form in Annex B.718.B *Euronext Clearing* confirms the receipt of the Buyer Protection Notice with the same channel.
- 3. The in bonis *Clearing Member* shall modify the Buyer Protection Notice, notifying a new Buyer Protection Notice within the term in paragraph 1.
- 4. On the day in which the Buyer Protection Notice is received, within one hour of the timeline indicated in Annex B.718, *Euronext Clearing* assigns to the in malis *Clearing Members*, the Buyer Protection Notice received, according to a criteria aimed to minimize the number of assignments. The assignment is notified to the *Clearing Members* by means of a *Report*.
- 5. The assignment in paragraph 4 is terminated or is modified if, within the term in paragraph 1:
 - a. The in malis *Clearing Member* assigned delivers the *Non Derivatives Financial Instruments* for which the Buyer Protection was exercised. In this case the assignment is terminated;
 - b. The in malis *Clearing Member* assigned partially delivers the *Non Derivatives Financial Instruments* for which the Buyer Protection was exercised and the Buyer Protection provided for more than one option. In this case the assignment is terminated;



- c. The in malis *Clearing Member* assigned partially delivers the *Non Derivatives Financial Instruments* for which the Buyer Protection was exercised and the Buyer Protection provided for only one option. In this case the assignment remain valid for the part unsettled;
- d. The in bonis *Clearing Member* who notified the Buyer Protection Notice modify the Buyer Protection according to paragraph 3. In this case *Euronext Clearing* notifies the change of the Buyer Protection Notice to the in malis *Clearing Member* by means of a *Report*;
- e. In case of delivery of *Non Derivatives Financial Instruments* to the in bonis *Clearing Member* by a *Clearing Member* different from the in malis *Clearing Member* assigned, in virtue of the settlement systems process. In this case *Euronext Clearing* notifies the change of the Buyer Protection Notice to the in malis *Clearing Member* assigned by means of a *Report*.
- 6. If the *Failed Positions* for which the Buyer Protection has been exercised are not settled within the term in paragraph 1, *Euronext Clearing*:
 - a) Requests to the *Settlement Service* to hold/delete the settlement instructions between the in malis *Clearing Member* assigned and *Euronext Clearing* and between *Euronext Clearing* and the in bonis *Clearing Member*; and
 - b) enters in the *Settlement Service* new settlement instructions between the same counterparties according to the Buyer Protection exercised.
- 7. In case the *Non Derivatives Financial Instruments* resulting from the corporate event are not delivered, *Euronext Clearing* activate the Buy-in procedure to the detriment of the in fail *Clearing Member* assigned.



The provisions on Buyer Protection for securities cleared within the BITA ICSD Bond Section, will enter into force with a subsequent notice.



CHAPTER B.8 Fees, Commissions and Interest

Article B.8.1.1 Fees and commissions

1. The amount of annual fees and commissions reported to *Members* is settled in the context of the daily settlement pursuant to Article B.4.1.1.

Article B.8.1.2 Value dates and Interest

- 1. Payments received before 4 p.m. shall be assigned the rate prevailing on that day. After this time, the value of the following *Euronext Clearing open day* shall be recognized.
- 2. Interest pursuant to Articles B.3.2.1, paragraph 7, and B.3.3.1 paragraph 7, shall be paid at the end of each calendar quarter by crediting of *daily settlement*.



CHAPTER B.9 Notice

Article B.9.1.1 Transmission of information

- 1. *Euronext Clearing* makes information and data on the position of each *Member* available to *Members* – and as required to *Settlement Agents* –through the *Technological Infrastructure*. Some information is available by accessing the *Euronext Clearing* Internet site (<u>www.euronext.com/it/post-trade/euronextclearing</u>).
- 2. Where necessary, *Euronext Clearing* may issue the notices pursuant to paragraph 1 by fax or e-mail.

Article B.9.1.2 Daily statement of payments

Euronext Clearing shall make the data regarding "Daily statement of payments" available to *Clearing Members* and *Settlement Agents* for cash in euros, by means of the national inter-banking network (RNI) and of the Swift network, the flow of which are set out in the *Technical Manual*. For this purpose, *Members* must submit to *Euronext Clearing* an application in the form available from the *Euronext Clearing* Internet site (<u>www.euronext.com/it/post-trade/euronext-clearing</u>).

Article B.9.1.3 Technological Infrastructure

1. Euronext Clearing makes the Technological Infrastructure, as described in the Services Manual, available to Members (and Settlement Agents so mandated pursuant to Article B.1.1.7, paragraph 1). The Services Manual indicates where use of the Technological Infrastructure is compulsory.



CHAPTER B.10 Management Company for BITA Sections

Article B.10.1.1 Equity Derivatives Section

- 1. For the *Equity Derivatives Section*, the *Management Companies* with which *Euronext Clearing* currently has Agreements are:
 - Borsa Italiana S.p.A., exclusively for *Financial Instruments* traded on the IDEM Equity segment of the IDEM market.

Article B.10.1.2 Energy Derivatives Section

- 1. *Management Companies* for the *Energy Derivatives Section* with which *Euronext Clearing* currently has agreements are:
 - Borsa Italiana S.p.A, exclusively for *Financial Instruments* traded on the IDEX segment of the IDEM market.

Article B.10.1.2 Share Section

- 1. The *Management Companies* for the *BITA Share Section* with which *Euronext Clearing* currently has agreements are:
 - Borsa Italiana S.p.A., limited to *Non-Derivative Financial Instruments* traded on the Euronext Milan market, the Euronext MIV Milan market, the ETFplus market, the Borsa Italiana Equity MTF market and related trading segments, with the exclusion of contracts for adhesion to share offers made on the market.

Article B.10.1.3 Bond Section

1. For the *Bond Section*, the *Management Companies* with whom *Euronext Clearing* has appropriate Agreements are:



- Borsa Italiana S.p.A., limited to *Financial Instruments* traded on MOT *Market* – DomesticMOT segment *and limited to Financial Instruments traded on the EuroTLX multilateral trading facilities, settled in the Settlement System managed by Monte Titoli*;
- MTS S.p.A., limited to Italian government securities traded on MTS *Market*;
- CME Amsterdam B.V, limited to Italian government securities traded on the regulated market BrokerTec.
- Hi-MTF Sim S.p.A., limited to *Financial Instruments* traded on the Hi-MTF multilateral trading facilities, settled in the *Settlement System* managed by Monte Titoli.
- 2. The provisions of Article 2, paragraph 9, Article 3, paragraph 7, Article and 4, paragraph 9 of the *General Conditions Part II* apply to *Markets* managed by these companies.

Article B.10.1.4 Agricultural Commodity Derivatives Section

- 1. The *Management Companies* with which *Euronext Clearing* currently has agreements for the *Agricultural Commodity Derivatives Section* are:
 - Borsa Italiana S.p.A., exclusively for the Financial Instruments traded in the AGREX segment of the IDEM market.

Article B.10.1.4 ICSD Bond Section

- 1. The *Management Companies* with which *Euronext Clearing* currently has agreements for the *ICSD Bond Section* are:
 - Borsa Italiana S.p.A., only for the Financial Instruments traded in the MOT Market – EuroMOT segment and in the ExtraMOT Market–and only for the *Financial Instruments* traded in the EuroTLX multilateral trading facilities settled



in the *Settlement Services* managed by Euroclear Bank S.A. and Clearstream Banking Luxembourg;

- Hi-MTF Sim S.p.A., only for the *Financial Instruments* traded in the Hi-MTF multilateral trading facilities settled in the *Settlement Services* managed by Euroclear Bank S.A. and Clearstream Banking Luxembourg.
- MTS S.p.A. limited to the EBM MTF multilateral trading facility and limited to the foreign government securities traded on the Bond Section included in the GC Extra basket;

With reference to the MTS Market, the EBM MTF multilateral trading facility and the BrokerTec regulated market, for the Italian government securities traded there, *Euronext Clearing* has entered into agreements with a *Special Clearing Member*.

CHAPTER B.10-bis Management Company for Euronext Sections

Article B.10.1.3 *bis Euronext Equity Section*

- 1. The *Management Companies* for the Euronext Equity *Section* with which *Euronext Clearing* currently has agreements are:
 - Euronext Amsterdam N.V, for Financial Instruments traded on the Euronext Amsterdam regulated Market;
 - Euronext Brussels S.A./N.V, for *Financial Instruments* traded on the Euronext Brussels regulated *Market*, and Euronext Growth Brussels, Euronext Access Brussels, Euronext Trading Facility multilateral trading facilities;
 - Euronext Lisbon Sociedade Gestora de Mercados Regulamentados, S.A ("sociedade anónima"), for Financial Instruments traded on the Euronext Lisbon regulated Market and Euronext Growth Lisbon and Euronext Access Lisbon multilateral trading facilities;
 - Euronext Paris S.A , for *Financial Instruments* traded on the Euronext Paris regulated *Market* and Euronext Growth Paris and Euronext Access Paris multilateral trading facilities;
 - Irish Stock Exchange plc, for Financial Instruments traded on the Euronext Dublin regulated Market and Euronext



Growth Dublin and Euronext Access Dublin multilateral trading facilities.

CHAPTER B.11 Pre-settlement Service

Article B.11.1.1 Pre-settlement Services for BITA Share Section and Bond Section

- 1. Companies that manage the *Pre-settlement* Service, with whom *Euronext Clearing* has appropriate agreement, are:
 - Euronext Securities Milan, for the management of X-TRM Service.

Article B.11.1.1-bis Pre-settlement Services for Euronext Equity Section and ICSD Bond Section

1. Pre-settlement Service is managed by Euronext Clearing.



CHAPTER B.12 Centralized Depositary Service

Article B.12.1.1 Centralized Depositary Service for BITA Sections

- 1. Companies that manage the *Central Depositary Service*, the *Members* must participate in, for the purpose of handling the *Collateral* in *Financial Instruments, for BITA Sections,* are:
 - Euronext Securities Milan S.p.A..

Article B.12.1.1-bis Central Depositary Service for Euronext Equity Section:

- 1.Companies that manage the Central Depositary Service, the Members must participate in, for the purpose of handling the Collateral in Financial Instruments, exclusively for Euronext Equity Section, are:
 - Euronext Securities Milan S.p.A.
 - Euroclear Bank S.A.

List of eligible Financial Instruments accepted as Collateral per relevant Central Depositary Service is made available from the *Annex* B.332bis.



CHAPTER B. 13 Settlement Services

Article B.13.1.1 Settlement Services for BITA Cash Sections

- 1. Companies that manage the Settlement Services, in which Euronext Clearing settles the Positions, in respect to BITA Share Section and Bond Section, are:
 - Euronext Securities Milan S.p.A
- 2. Companies that manage the Settlement Services, in which Euronext Clearing settles the Positions, in respect to BITA ICSD Bond Section, are:
 - Euroclear Bank S.A. and Clearstream Banking Luxemburg.

Article B.13.1.1-Bis Settlement Services for Euronext Equity Section

- 1. Companies that manage the Settlement Services in which Euronext Clearing settles the Positions related to the *Euronext Equity Section*, are:
 - Euronext Securities Milan S.p.A.
 - Euroclear France S.A.
 - Euroclear Belgium S.A./N.V.
 - Euroclear Nederlands (Nederlands Centraal Instituut voor Giraal Effectenverkeer B.V.)
 - National Bank of Belgium Securities Settlement System
 - Euronext Securities Porto
 - Euroclear Bank S.A.





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