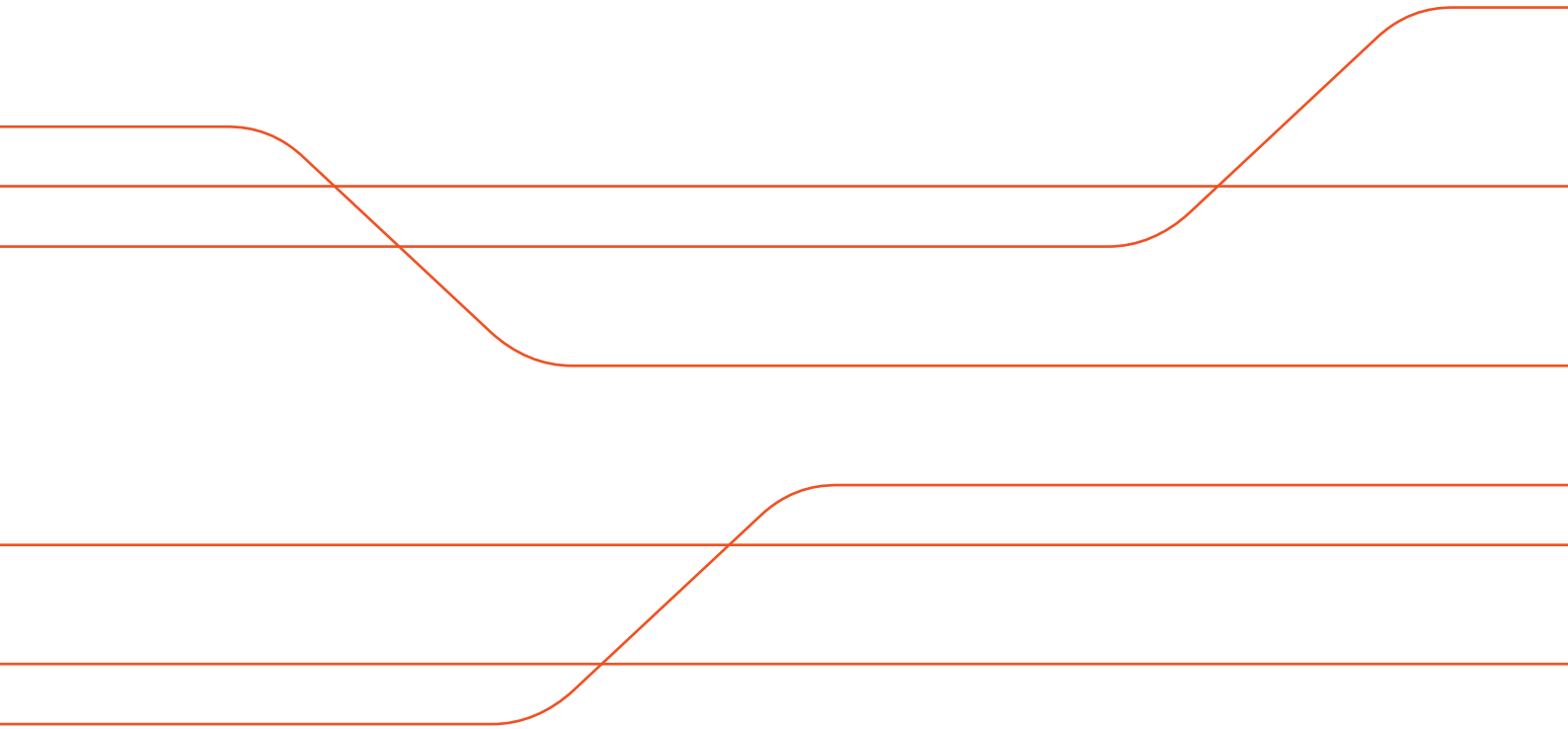




SIX Corporate Bonds AG

"Trading Parameters" Guideline

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I Purpose

1 Purpose and principle

This "Trading Parameters" Guideline contains provisions for the trading segments on SIX Corporate Bonds based on Clause 9.3 Rule Book.

II Trading Segments

2 Classification of markets and trading segments

¹ SIX Corporate Bonds lists the following market and trading segment:

a) Bond market

A International Corporate Bonds.

² SIX Corporate Bonds shall assign the securities to the individual trading segment(s).

³ SIX Corporate Bonds shall specify the provisions for the individual trading segments in the Annex to this Guideline.

Resolution of the Management Committee of SIX Corporate Bonds AG of 9 March 2018; in effect since 27 March 2018.

Annex A – International Corporate Bonds

1 Trading periods and times

The trading periods and times shall be set as follows:

- a) pre-opening from 06:00 to 09:00 (CET);
- b) start of trading from 09:00 (CET);
- c) trading from start of trading until end of trading;
- d) end of trading at 17:30 (CET);
- e) post-trading from end of trading until 22:00 (CET).

2 Duration of Trading Sessions

The duration of the Trading Sessions shall be defined as follows:

- a) Curtain Time shall last for 10 minutes and can be extended to a maximum of 20 minutes;
- b) Market Session shall last for 3 minutes and can be extended for additional 30 seconds by either participant by entering a price which tightens the buy and sell spread by at least 30 percent of the current market price until no further price improvements are possible;
- c) Private Work-up shall last for 30 seconds and will be extended by 10 seconds with each additional trade if the trade happens in the last ten seconds of the Work-up;
- d) Public Work-up shall last for 60 seconds and will be extended by 10 seconds with each additional trade if the trade happens in the last ten seconds of the Work-up.

3 Minimum quantity for activity and trades

The minimum quantity for activity and trades shall be as follows:

- a) IOIs shall have a minimum quantity of two million or the next million above the respective pre-trade large in scale (LIS threshold) in the nominal currency of the respective security;
- b) quotes and trades in Market Session shall have a minimum quantity of two million or the next million above the respective pre-trade large in scale (LIS threshold) in the nominal currency of the respective security;
- c) orders and trades in Private Work-up and Public Work-up shall have a minimum quantity of one million or the next million above the respective pre-trade large in scale (LIS threshold) in the nominal currency of the respective security.

4 Values for pre-trade controls

The maximum order value corresponds to the outstanding amount of the security as published by SIX Corporate Bonds in the reference data.

In certain cases, SIX Corporate Bonds may adjust these parameters at short notice. SIX Corporate Bonds shall communicate such adjustments in a suitable manner.

5 Price steps

The valid price steps shall be defined as follows depending on their price type and term to maturity:

- a) for securities traded with price type "spread" independently from the term to maturity, the price steps shall be 0.001 regardless of the price;
- b) for securities traded with price type "percent of par" and a term to maturity less than 12 months the price steps shall be 0.005 regardless of the price; and
- c) for securities traded with price type "percent of par" and a term to maturity more than 12 months the price steps shall be 0.01 regardless of the price.

6 Minimum denomination and smallest tradable units

The valid Minimum Denomination and Smallest Tradable Units are defined by SIX Corporate Bonds per security and published together with the reference data.

7 Settlement

Trades must be settled via a settlement organisation ("ICSD") recognized by SIX Corporate Bonds. The provisions of Clause 14 Rule Book shall apply.

8 Disclosure of counterparty

During the Trading Session the identity of the trading parties shall remain anonymous.

The identity of the trading parties will be disclosed to each other 15 minutes after the trade has been executed.

9 Delayed Publication of trades

SIX Corporate Bonds may delay the publication of trades upon request of the participant. In addition the provisions regarding delayed publication according to Annex A "Trading" Directive are applicable.

The delayed publication of all details excluding the quantity of trades will occur two trading days after the trade has been executed at 19:00 CET. The delayed publication of all details including the quantity of trades will occur four calendar weeks after the trade has been executed at 09:00 CET.

10 Benchmark Bonds

For bonds used as benchmarks in hedged trades, the following provisions shall apply in deviation from the provisions in this Annex:

- a) The minimum quantity for trades in benchmark bonds shall be different from the minimum quantities used for International Corporate Bonds to allow accurate hedging.