

Tax Compliance Data for CRS/AEoI

CRS-reportable income classification and information

With our comprehensive and award-winning expertise in international tax regulations as the foundation, SIX supports you with critical data elements necessary for compliance with the automatic exchange of information (AEoI) under the Common Reporting Standard (CRS).

Regulatory Environment

As governments worldwide seek to reclaim tax revenues lost to their citizens' offshore investments, international tax regulations and treaties have become increasingly common.

In support of orderly, transparent and automatic communication between financial intermediaries, their local tax authorities and ultimately between tax jurisdictions, member states of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) have agreed to the automatic exchange of information in tax matters and to facilitate communication by adhering to a common standard for reporting (CRS). Information exchange among participants begins in either 2017 or 2018, according to the commitment and treaties between participating countries.

What is reportable under AEoI?

The CRS-based AEoI does not impose additional tax regulation or withholding obligations but rather harmonizes communication in tax matters among participant entities and authorities.

Under the guidelines, financial institutions are required to identify customers whose tax residence is outside the jurisdiction where the account is held. Account and account holder information required for CRS/

AEoI reporting includes data unique to the "in scope" persons, such as full name, residence address and tax identification number (TIN).

Reporting must also include the total assets of each in scope person as of the end of each year, noting the total income to the account over the previous year. CRS-coded financial instrument and income payment information is required for reportable account balance information.

To support our clients' compliance efforts, SIX identifies CRS-reportable income by flagging relevant corporate actions, thus enabling consistent, easily accessible data for aggregation at year end.

Key benefits:

- Reliability. Reportable income under CRS/AEoI is flagged and delivered through our award-winning corporate actions service
- Completeness. Comprehensive, consistent and reliable global instrument data coverage as the basis for reporting
- Domain expertise. Recognized subject matter expertise in global regulations provides a solid foundation for interpretation of the standard
- Sustainability. Persistent review and maintenance to ensure ongoing data quality and consistency

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CRS/AEoI data service

Data in support of CRS/AEoI reporting includes:

Classification of in-scope corporate actions

All corporate actions that generate any kind of income (e.g., interest, dividends) will be flagged, facilitating automated reporting and compliance with the Common Reporting Standard and local implementation directives.

Ongoing review

SIX continuously monitors regulatory developments to ensure that our data service is relevant, up-to-date and accurate.

Additional tax compliance data services

SIX offers a variety of data services to support international tax compliance, each of which reflect our deep subject matter expertise and are built on our comprehensive, high quality global database of over 23 million securities.

FATCA

SIX provides the international financial industry with the data required for FATCA compliance:

Reportable instruments

Instrument level tax status "In scope", "Exempt shortterm", "Exempt grandfathered" and "In scope materially modified security".

Institution level tax status

Based on the IRS official monthly list, SIX maps the Global Intermediary Identification Number ("GIIN") to the foreign financial institutions maintained on our database and cross-references with many other local or international institutional identifiers, including the Legal Entity Identifier (LEI).

IRS Section 871(m)

SIX identifies equity-linked instruments (ELIs) that are inscope for the U.S. tax regulation requiring withholding on certain dividend-equivalent amounts. This tax applicability status provides the basis for calculating the dividend equivalent amount to be used for withholding.

EU Financial Transaction Tax (FTT)

SIX provides French FTT data, as well as tax data for the Italian FTT on shares and derivatives.

Regulatory and risk compliance services

In addition to our tax compliance data services, SIX offers support for such important international regulations as,

- MiFID II
- PRIIPs KID
- UCITS III/IV
- AIFMD
- Solvency II
- Sanctioned securities and individuals

We also provide entity identification numbers such as the GIIN and the LEI that are required for regulatory compliance.

Why SIX?

Collecting, verifying, normalizing, monitoring for quality and continuously updating enormous volumes of data is the core business of SIX, which means that we achieve superior results.

Market and reference data

SIX further supports regulatory compliance with extensive reference data services that deliver all the information you need for timely and accurate security master updates as well as pricing for valuation of your domestic and international securities portfolios.

Our security and entity data includes,

- Instrument level reference data such as terms & conditions
- Award-winning corporate actions
- Coverage of security types ranging from equities to derivatives, forex to funds, fixed income to ETFs and more
- Security ID numbers from around the world, cross-referenced for efficient processing
- Ratings for instruments and issuers
- Entity reference data including identifiers such as LEI and GIIN
- Linkages between issuers and their ultimate parent company
- Issuer classifications
- Sector classifications
- Pricing and valuation services from streaming real time to end-of day and historical

A global financial data leader

SIX drives competitiveness of customers in Swiss and international financial markets through superior services and innovation. A long-standing leader in financial information, SIX continually invests in developing data and value-add services that help institutions transact and engage with confidence and navigate the intricacies of today's markets and regulations so business leaders can focus on their core business.

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