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#### A1) Global Code - Content



A set of global principles of good practice in the foreign exchange market

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#### A2) GFXC Governance

## **Future governance of the Code**

## Global Foreign Exchange Committee - endorsed by ECC\*

– Formal launch:

with the release of the Code

#### - Responsibility:

future governance of the Code

#### – Governance:

rotation of GFXC Chair permanent GFXC Secretariat

#### - Membership:

FX committees (ECB FXCG for euro area)

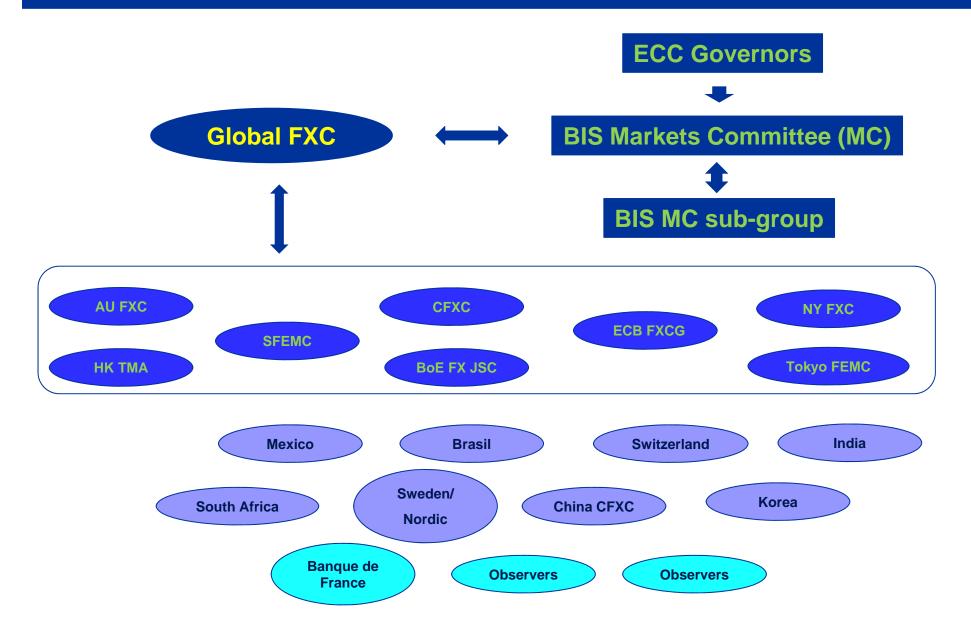
1 central bank representative and

1 private sector representative (Call for interest)

#### Observers

Banque de France for euro area

#### A2) GFXC Governance



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#### A3) GFXC: consultation and way forward

- 1. Request for feedback on Last Look practices
  - (next item)
- 2. Public Register
  - Multiple private registers
  - Global Index of Registers
- 3. Code Survey
  - Launch end of September

#### A4) Support to the Code

- BIS Global Economic Meeting & ESCB press release
- Asian Central banks (BOK, HKMA, MAS, RBA, RBI) joint press release
- Associations support (ACI, GFMA, EACT...)
- Supervisors, regulators (European Banking Authority, ESMA, UK FCA)
  - EBA: "The Code's guidelines for responsible participation in the FX market are in line with the EBA's work aimed at fostering financial institutions' effective governance and enhanced consumer protection in all areas of financial products and services."
  - ESMA: "The ultimate objective of supervisory convergence is to ensure that market practices meet the required standards and support the well-known regulatory objectives. However, I do not consider this an exclusive role for regulators. In that context, I should mention that I very much support the recently published Foreign Exchange Global Code of Conduct" (Steven Maijoor, Speech Looking to the Future, 7 June)
  - FCA: "We expect firms, Senior Managers, certified individuals and other relevant persons to take responsibility for and be able to demonstrate their own adherence with standards of market conduct. Our supervision of the SMCR rules supports this."

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# ECC\* and GEM\*\* Governors provided adherence guidance to the Code in May 2017

 Central banks are strongly committed to supporting and promoting adherence to the Code. They confirm that they are committed to adhering to the principles of the Code and will expect the same of their regular FX counterparties, except where this would inhibit the discharge of their policy functions. Additionally, members of central bank sponsored foreign exchange committees will be expected to adhere to the Code.

Rationale

- Receive more fair, transparent and effective execution from counterparties that adhere to the Code
- Reinforce good practices among market participants

## ESCB Central Banks welcome the publication of Foreign Exchange Global Code of Conduct

The ESCB central banks are strongly committed to supporting and promoting adherence to the Code in their jurisdictions, which together play a key role in the global FX market. To that end, they are committed to adhering to the principles of the Code when acting as FX market participants and likewise **expect their regular FX trading counterparties to adhere to the Code**.

The ESCB central banks also encourage FX market participants in their jurisdictions to evolve their practices in such a way that they are consistent with the principles of the Code and to demonstrate their commitment by endorsing the Statement of Commitment annexed to the Code. The ESCB central banks look forward to witnessing the evolution of practices accordingly.



\* Economic Consultative Committee \*\* Global Economy Meeting

#### B2) GFXC website: visit http://www.globalfxc.org

#### GLOBAL FOREIGN EXCHANGE COMMITTEE

About GFXC FX Global Code Meetings Press Releases

The Global Foreign Exchange Committee was established in May 2017 as a forum bringing together central banks and private sector participants with the aim to promote a robust, fair, liquid, open, and appropriately transparent Foreign Exchange (FX) market in which a diverse set of participants, supported by resilient infrastructure, are able to confidently and effectively transact at competitive prices that reflect available information and in a manner that conforms to acceptable standards of behaviour.



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