

# SeDeX Market Rules

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The Italian text of these rules shall prevail over the English version.



## **SeDeX Market Rules**

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## Glossary

Term	Meaning
Access Code	means the trading code to which are associated specific configurations for the connection to the market (CompID/traderID)
Admission to trading	Admission to trading of financial instrument in the SeDeX market
Algorithmic trader	means the operator using an <b>algorithmic trading</b> technique, as specified in Article 4(1)(39), of Directive 2014/65/EU and in Article 18, of Regulation 2017/565/EU
Algorithmic trading	means the trading technique specified in Article 4(1)(39) of Directive 2014/65/EU and in Article 18 of Regulation 2017/565/EU
Borsa Italiana	Borsa Italiana SpA
CSD	means the legal person authorised to operate a securities settlement system, pursuant to Regulation 2014/909/EU
Direct Electronic Access	means the connection to the market as specified in Article 4(1)(41) of Directive 2014/65/EU, Article 20, of Regulation 2017/565/EU and in Article 2(1)(d)(ii) of Directive 2014/65/EU
Domestic segment	shall mean the segment in which are tradable financial instruments referred to in article 220 and divided pursuant to the guidance sec. 200.1 and settled via the settlement systems referred to in the guidance sec 500.2 a)
Exceptional circumstances	means the exceptional circumstances identified in Article 3, of Regulation no. 2017/578/E
Financial instruments issued on the basis of a programme	means the securitised derivatives financial instruments that may be admitted to trading on the basis of an issuance programme
General Conditions for the supply of services	the terms and conditions regulating the relationship between <b>Borsa Italiana</b> and the market <b>intermediaries</b> concerning the participation of the market intermediaries to the <b>SeDeX market</b>
High-frequency algorithmic trading or HFT	means the trading technique specified in Article 4(1)(40), of Directive 2014/65/EU and Article 19, of Regulation 2017/565/EU

High-frequency trader	means the intermediary using a <b>high-frequency algorithmic trading</b> technique, as specified in Article 4(1)(40), of Directive 2014/65/EU and in Article 19, of Regulation 2017/565/EU
ICSD Segment	shall mean the segment in which are tradable financial instruments referred to in article 220 and divided pursuant to the guidance 200.1 and settled via the settlement systems referred to in the guidance 500.2 b)
Issuer	Indicates the subjects issuing the instruments referred to in Article 220
Interconnection	means the linking to markets, via market intermediaries: of customers of market intermediaries, the connection of which may take place in "direct electronic access" mode or in another mode; or organisational units of market intermediaries other than units assigned to the activities of trading in the markets and settlement and the control thereof computer- based systems for the automatic generation of orders even if they are installed in an organisational unit of a market intermediary
Liquid market for the financial instrument	means the liquid market as specified in Article 2, paragraph 1(17), of Regulation 2014/600/EU
Market making agreement	means the market making agreements that <b>Borsa Italiana</b> must offer, in compliance with Regulation 2017/578/EU, to the Intermediaries pursuing a <b>market making strategy</b>
Market making strategy	means the trading that is carried out on own account by an <b>algorithmic trader</b> on one or more financial instruments and that involves the entering of firm and simultaneous purchase and sale quotes, for comparable size and at competitive prices and is carried out for at least 50% of the duration of the continuous trading session, for at least half of the days in a month, as indicated in Regulation 2016/578/EU
Mifid2 Market Maker	means the intermediary that has underwritten a <b>market making agreement</b> with <b>Borsa Italiana</b> , in accordance with Regulation 2017/578/EU
Multilateral trading facility	a facility referred to in article 4, subparagraph 1, number 22 of directive 65/2014/EU
Negotiated transactions	means the transactions negotiated privately between intermediaries, placed on the market according to the rules specified in Article 2050
Notice	The publication prepared and distributed by Borsa Italiana containing information relevant to

	the operation of the SeDeX market
Parity/multiple	means the number of underlying assets for each securitised derivative financial instrument traded on the <b>SeDeX market</b>
Quote	The type of order that must be used by <b>specialists</b> on the <b>SeDeX market</b> to perform the obligations established in the Rules. This type of order allows such <b>specialists</b> to update their bid and offer quotations with a single operation
Regulated Markets	The Markets authorized pursuat to Article 44 of Directive 2014/65/EU
SeDeX financial instruments	The financial instruments admitted to trading in the <b>SeDeX market</b> as provided in accordance with Article 200
SeDeX Market	A MTF of securitised derivatives financial instruments managed and organised by <b>Borsa</b> Italiana
Specialist	Any market <b>intermediary</b> that undertakes to support the liquidity of the instruments traded in the <b>SeDeX market</b> or the third party appointed to perform the functions referred to in Article 4001
Statutory audit	The audit of solo or consolidated annual accounts, carried out pursuant to Legislative Decree no. 39 of 27 January 2010 by a statutory auditor or a statutory auditing company. The audit cannot be performed by the supervisory body of the issuer or either of its members.
Statutory audit or statutory audit company	A party entered in the Register set up pursuant to Article 2 of legislative decree January, 27 2010 no. 39
SDIR	shall mean the dissemination system of regulated information pursuant to transparency Directive
Trading Manual	means the "Guide to the new Trading System" made available on the website of <b>Borsa Italiana</b>

## GENERAL PROVISIONS AND INSTRUMENTS ADMITTED TO TRADING

## **General provisions**

### Purpose of the Rules

100		These Rules govern the organization and management of the <b>multilateral trading</b> facility operated by <b>Borsa Italiana</b> and called the <b>SeDeX market</b> .
110		These Rules establish the organizational and operational conditions and procedures of the <b>SeDeX market</b> and, in particular, govern:
	110.1	the conditions and procedures for the admission, exclusion and suspension of <b>SeDeX</b> financial instruments from trading;
	110.2	the conditions and procedures for the admission, exclusion and suspension of <b>intermediaries</b> from trading and their obligations;
	110.3	the conditions and procedures for the performance of trading and the functioning of the related instrumental services;
	110.4	the procedures for verifying, publishing and disseminating prices and information.
		Organizational principles of the market
120		<b>Borsa Italiana</b> performs its functions, in particular the admission, suspension and revocation and the surveillance of the <b>SeDeX market</b> in a non-discriminatory manner and using procedures defined on a general basis.
121		<b>Borsa Italiana</b> , in its operation of the <b>SeDeX market</b> , equips itself with and maintains an organizational structure likely to prevent potential conflicts of interest. In particular, it ensures that the heads of the departments responsible for the functions referred to in Article 120 enjoy complete independence in carrying out examinations and making proposals. In performing these functions, the heads of department answer exclusively to the CEO.

122	Borsa Italiana equips itself with and maintains an internal control system that checks
	compliance with the law and internal rules and procedures.
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## Instruments that can be traded on the SeDeX market

### Tradable instruments

200	Shall be admitted in the electronic securitized derivatives market (SeDex market)
	securitized derivatives financial instruments.
201	Securitised derivative financial instruments shall mean financial instruments whose value

		is linked to the prices of the underlying assets referred to in Article 230.
		Request for Admission
G	210	<b>Borsa Italiana</b> may admit financial instruments referred to in Article 200, to trading at th request of an <b>intermediary</b> , in accordance with what is provided for in the guidance provided the conditions set out in the following articles are satisfied.
	211	The <b>issuer</b> must produce an admission document, which may consist of the followin categories of documents:
		<ul> <li>a prospectus approved by the competent authority in accordance with th Prospectus Regulation; or</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>b) a base prospectus approved by the competent authority in accordance with the Prospectus Regulation, with the definitive conditions; or</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>a registration document accompanied by the information note on the financi instruments approved by the competent authority in accordance with the Prospectus Regulation or, alternatively, accompanied by the KID required to Regulation No. 1286/2014; or</li> </ul>
		d) an admission document containing information referred to Annexes IX or XI ar XII of Regulation No 809/2004. In any event, this information must be sufficie to permit investors to make an investment decision concerning the financi instruments and contain all other information that <b>Borsa Italiana</b> may request facilitate the orderly conduct of trading.
		This document must be made available to the public on the <b>Issuer</b> 's website as soon a possible and in any case at least one day before the start of the trading.
		The documents referred to at letters a), b) and c) must be valid pursuant to the regulatio The Issuer is not allowed to produce a prospectus/base prospectus solely for the admission to trading on a regulated market.
		As regards the document referred to in letter d) if, with reference to the financi information, where the closing date of the annual account is more than 9 months befor the date of admission, they should include at least an interim balance sheet and incom statement of the <b>issuer</b> on a solo or consolidated basis – drawn up on the basis of the formats in force for listed <b>issuers</b> , accompanied by explanatory notes – with reference at least the 6 months subsequent to the closing date of the last annual account.
		At any time after the admission document is filed and before the admission date, ne material facts, errors or imprecisions arise or emerge in respect of the information set o in the admission document, or which may impact the evaluation of the product, supplementary admission document must be prepared containing the details of the ne facts, errors or imprecisions.
		On the first page of the document referred to in letter d), or the admission docume supplementary where required in a prominent position, in boldface type, the followir sentence should be written:
		"Consob and <b>Borsa Italiana</b> have neither examined nor approved the content this document."

### Conditions for the admission of financial instruments

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G	220		SeDeX financial instruments must be:
		220.1	Issued by companies or national or foreign entities subject to prudential supervision with capital for supervisory purposes of at least €25 million and risk management and control systems in conformity with the prudential supervisory provisions to which they are subject;
		220.2	Issued by companies or national or foreign entities whose exclusive corporate purpose is to make one or more issues of financial instruments;
		220.3	Issued by companies or entities for which the obligations connected with the issue are unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed by another person (guarantor) belonging to the category referred to in article 220.1.
		220.4	In the case referred to in article 220.3 the requirements and duties provided into the article 220 to for the <b>issuer</b> shall be deemed to refer to the guarantor of the issue.
		220.5	Securitised derivative financial instruments may be admitted to trading when they are of an <b>issuer</b> that has published and filed, in compliance with national law, the solo and, where applicable, consolidated annual accounts for the latest two financial years (or of the last financial year if the <b>issuer</b> has been in operation for a shorter period), of which at least the latest must be accompanied by an opinion of a <b>statutory auditor or an</b> <b>statutory auditing company</b> drawn up in accordance with Legislative decree no. 39 of 27 January 2010 or the corresponding applicable provisions of foreign law. Admission to listing may not be granted where the <b>statutory auditor or the statutory auditing company</b> has rendered an adverse opinion or a disclaimer. In the case of recently created <b>issuers Borsa Italiana</b> may accept, instead of audited annual accounts, a balance sheet and income statement for a period of less than one year provided they have been audited by a <b>statutory auditor or a statutory auditing company</b> . The <b>issuer</b> must also have assigned the <b>statutory audit</b> mandate to audit the annual accounts for the current year at the date the application for admission to listing is submitted in accordance with Legislative decree no. 39 of 27 January 2010 or the corresponding applicable provisions of foreign law.
		220.6	Where the <b>issuers</b> of securitised derivative financial instruments or the securitised derivative financial instruments has been rated by a local or international credit rating agency in the twelve months preceding the submission of the application, the rating or its update must be notified to <b>Borsa Italiana</b> if public, with an indication of the rating, if any, of the individual issue. This information will be disclosed to the market in the <b>Notice</b> establishing the date of the start of trading
		220.7	<b>Borsa Italiana</b> may, for the purpose of evaluating the suitability of the <b>issuer</b> of securitised derivative financial instruments, take into consideration the latter's previous experience with securitised derivative financial instruments, and may ask it to describe the risk-hedging strategies it intends to adopt in connection with the issue.

Sec 05 Guidance to the Rules Definition of public rating

Public rating means the creditworthiness:

- a) requested by the issuer and disclosed to the market following Consob regulations, and/either notified by the issuer to persons that are not subject to a duty of confidentiality – regardless or whether such duty is based on law, on regulations, on articles of association or on a contract – or notified by the rating agency to persons different from the issuer itself;
- b) not requested but somehow attained by the issuer, if disclosed by the issuer itself to

persons that are not subject to a duty of confidentiality, regardless or whether such duty is based on law, on regulations, on articles of association or on a contract.

### Underlying assets

230	230.1	Securitised derivative financial instruments may be admitted to listing that are based on underlying assets specified in the guidance sec 10, for which a reliable and up-to-date price or some other measure of value is available to the public.
	230.2	<b>Borsa Italiana</b> may require the <b>issuer</b> of securitised derivative financial instruments to demonstrate that the <b>issuers</b> of the underlying financial instruments are subject to rules concerning the information to be made available to the public and the supervisory authorities substantially equivalent to those in force in Italy.
	230.3	Where, upon the reaching of given values of the underlying or the occurrence of given events, securitised derivative financial instruments provide for the extinction thereof and/or for a change in the original contractual conditions or for the <b>issuer</b> to be able to repay the principal early, the <b>issuer</b> must make the required communications within the time limits specified by <b>Borsa Italiana</b> .
	230.4	<ul> <li>For the admission to listing of securitised derivative financial instruments, the following conditions must be satisfied: <ul> <li>a. the characteristics of the instruments must be clear and unambiguous and permit a correlation between the price of the financial instrument and the price or other measure of the underlying; Borsa Italiana may require the issuer to specify the percentage composition of the various components of the financial instrument and the commissions;</li> <li>b. where settlement in cash is envisaged, the procedure for fixing the settlement price must guarantee that such price correctly reflects the price or other measure of the value of the underlying. The provisions of the present Rules shall also apply;</li> <li>c. where the underlying is a financial instrument traded on regulated markets organised and managed by Borsa Italiana, in conformity with what is established in the listing prospectus, settlement may consist in the physical delivery of the underlying;</li> <li>d. provision must be made for adjustments where extraordinary events occur regarding the underlyings. Such adjustments must be based on generally accepted methods and tend to neutralise the distortionary effects of the event as far as possible. The issuer notifies such adjustments to Borsa Italiana, for dissemination to the market, appropriately in advance of the date on which the adjustments will take effect. The Guidance sec. 11.3 shall apply.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	230.5	<ul> <li>For securitised derivative financial instruments issued by persons referred to in Article 220.2, the following conditions must also be satisfied:</li> <li>a) the assets acquired with the proceeds deriving from the subscription of an issue must constitute, to all intents and purposes, an independent pool of assets separated from that of the <b>issuer</b>;</li> <li>b) the assets acquired with the proceeds deriving from the subscription of an issue and the income earned on such assets must be assigned exclusively to satisfy the rights incorporated in the financial instruments and possibly to meet the costs of the transaction;</li> <li>c) actions may not be brought against assets acquired with the proceeds deriving from the subscription of an issue by creditors other than the holders of the financial instruments in question.</li> </ul>
	230.6	For the listing of securitised derivative financial instruments, there must be a <b>specialist</b> .
	230.7	In any case, Borsa Italiana shall reserve the right to reject the admission to listing of

securitised derivative financial instruments in order to ensure the stability and proper trading of the underlyings related thereto.

- 230.8 For securitised derivative financial instruments identified in the present Rules, a **parity/multiple** must be established as specified in the Guidance sec 11.
- 230.9 For securitised derivative financial instruments identified in the present Rules, provision must be made for their exercise as specified in the present Rules.
- 230.10 For securitised derivative financial instruments identified in the present Rules, provision must be made for a maturity of not more than 5 years. **Borsa Italiana** may admit financial instruments with a maturity of more than 5 years to trading in response to a reasoned request from the **issuer** provided sufficient information is available for the determination of the instrument's price.
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- 10 <u>Underlying Asset</u>
- 10.1 Pursuant to Article 230, the following assets may underline the securitised derivative financial instruments admitted to trading:
  - a) shares traded on a **regulated market** in Italy or another country and are highly liquid;
  - b) bonds or other debt securities of issuers other than the issuer of the securitised derivative financial instruments, traded in a regulated market and are highly liquid;
  - c) official interest rates or interest rates widely used in capital markets that are not open to manipulation and that are marked by transparent methods of observation and dissemination;
  - d) foreign currencies whose exchange rate is recorded continuously by the competent authorities or bodies and which are convertible;
  - e) commodities for which there is a reference market characterised by the availability of continuous and updated information on the prices of the assets traded;
  - f) indexes or baskets of the assets referred to in the subparagraphs of this paragraph and baskets of indexes of the same assets, provided such baskets and indexes are characterised by transparent methods of calculation and dissemination. Borsa Italiana may ask issuers what methods of calculation and management they use for such baskets and indexes;
  - g) derivative contracts based on assets referred to in the preceding subparagraphs for which there is a **liquid market** characterised by the continuous availability of updated information on the prices of the contracts;
  - h) units/shares of open-end CIUs. The units/shares of open-end CIUs underlying securitised derivative financial instruments belonging to the segments referred to in guidance sec. 200.1, paragraphs 1(a) and 1(c), must be admitted to trading on regulated markets with continuous trading.
- 10.2 **Borsa Italiana** reserves the right to admit, at the request of an **issuer**, securitised derivative financial instruments based on assets other than those referred to in the preceding paragraph to listing, without prejudice to article 230.
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#### 11 **Parity/multiple** and settlement price

- 11.1 Pursuant to Article 230.10, for securitized derivative financial instruments the **parity/multiple** must be:
  - a. equal to 0.1 if the underlying consists of Italian shares traded on the **regulated markets** organised and managed by **Borsa Italiana** for the instruments traded in the segments referred to in guidance sec 200.1,letters a) and d) class A;
  - equal to 1 if the underlying consists of Italian shares traded on the regulated markets organised and managed by Borsa Italiana for the instruments traded in the segment for leverage certificates referred to in guidance sec 200.1, letter c) class A;
  - c. equal to 0.0001 if the underlying consists of indixes managed by **Borsa Italiana** or companies with which **Borsa Italiana** has entered into agreements for the instruments traded segments referred to in guidance sec 200.1, letters a), c) class A and d) class A.
- 11.2 Pursuant to Article 230.4, letter b), for instruments belonging to segments referred to in guidance sec 200.1, letter a), c) class A and d) class A:
  - a. if the underlying consists exclusively of Italian shares traded on the **regulated markets** organised and managed by **Borsa Italiana**, the settlement price shall be equal to respectively the reference price of the underlying financial instrument on the day preceding the maturity day in the case of exercise at maturity and the reference price of the underlying financial instrument on the exercise day in the case of early exercise;
  - b. if the underlying consists exclusively of indixes managed by **Borsa Italiana** or companies with which **Borsa Italiana** has entered into agreements, the settlement price shall be equal to respectively the value of the index calculated at the opening prices of the component financial instruments on the maturity day in the case of exercise at maturity and the value of the index calculated at the opening prices of the component financial instruments on the day following the exercise day in the case of early exercise.
- 11.3 These adjustments must be notified with an advanced of 2 days with respect to the date in which the adjustment will take effect.
- 11.4 The maturity requirement referred to in article 230.12, of the Rules shall apply to financial instruments belonging to the segments referred to in guidance sec 200.1, letters a) and b), and shall be calculated with reference to the date on which the documentation to be attached to the application for **admission to trading** is completed.
- 11.5 Pursuant to Article 230.9, for securitised derivative financial instruments provision must be made for automatic exercise at maturity, to be activated if the settlement amount is positive.
- 11.6 The person owning the financial instruments referred to in the preceding guidance must be given the right to renounce by means of a communication.

#### Transferability of financial instruments

G	231		Financial Instruments must be:
		231.1	freely transferable; and
		231.2	suitable for settlement in the manner referred to in Article 5000
	232		Borsa Italiana may make admission to trading subject to any condition regarding the financial instrument that it deems desirable and that is explicitly notified to the applicant

	subject; it may also exercise discretion in admitting financial instruments to trading for which an application has been made, also by way of derogation from the requirements for admission of the preceding articles.
233	<b>Borsa Italiana</b> may reject an application for <b>admission to trading</b> , taking account, among other things, of the characteristics of the <b>Issuer</b> and of financial instrument, of the characteristic of the transaction and the liquidity of the market on which the instrument is traded. <b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall inform the applicant subject.
Sec 20	Guidance to the Rules Procedure for instruments' admission to trading
20.1	Persons referred to in Article 210 shall present an application that is signed by their legal representative or duly authorized person, drawn up in accordance with the model form available on <b>Borsa Italiana's</b> website and accompanied by the documentation indicated therein
20.2	After verifying their completeness, Borsa Italiana confirms the receipt of applications.
20.3	Within 10 trading days of the date of confirming receipt of an application, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> must inform the applicant that the application has been rejected or, in the case of its being accepted, issue a <b>Notice</b> establishing the date of the start of trading and making available the information needed for trading.
20.4	The time limits referred to in Sec. 20.3 may be interrupted by a notification from <b>Borsa</b> <i>Italiana</i> if it becomes necessary to acquire new information and documents. In this case the time limits shall start to run again from the date of receipt of the relevant documentation. The time limits referred to in Sec. 20.3 may be suspended at the request of the person referred to in Article 210.
20.5	Applications shall be deemed annulled if they are not modified, completed or corrected within two months of their receipt.
20.6	In the context of the admission procedure, the parties referred to in article 210 may use the <b>SeDEx market</b> for the distribution of the financial instruments referred to in Article 200. In this case, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall verify the admission requirements of the <b>issuer</b> and of the financial instruments and shall receive the request for <b>admission to trading</b> . Following this, it shall admit the financial instrument and commence trading of purchase and sales contracts on the market. At the end of the sale phase, if successful, and subject to compliance with the requirements laid down in these Rules, the admission shall become final and <b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall establish the date for the start of trading on the <b>SeDex market</b> .
	If the issue of financial instruments does not take place because the admission requirements laid down in these Rules are not satisfied, the admission decision shall cease to be effective and the contracts executed shall be null and void. The procedures for distribution via the <b>SeDex market</b> shall be established each time by <b>Borsa Italiana</b> in a <b>Notice</b> . To this end the <b>issuer</b> shall inform <b>Borsa Italiana</b> of the name of the <b>intermediary</b> appointed to display quotes for the sale of the financial instruments that are to be issued if it does not intend to perform this task itself. The <b>issuer</b> shall also notify the days on which the distribution is to take place, the price, the day on which the <b>issuer</b> will decide whether to proceed with the issue, and the single date set for the settlement of the contracts concluded, which normally coincides with the date set for the issue and payment of the financial instruments. The contracts concluded during the distribution phase via electronic trading systems cannot be deleted.

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#### 21 Procedure for the admission to trading of securitised derivative financial instruments issued under an issue programme

- 21.1 **Issuers** referred to in article 210 who intend to implement or have implemented an issue programme for securitised derivative financial instruments shall apply to **Borsa Italiana** for a declaration of admissibility to listing of the financial instruments to be issued under the programme according to the form made available by **Borsa Italiana** trough the special electronic venue. **Borsa Italiana** shall issue the declaration within 20 trading days of the date the documentation to be attached to the application is completed where the **issuer** satisfies the conditions and requirements laid down in these Rules for **issuers** of securitised derivative financial instruments and the characteristics of the instruments do not conflict with the provisions of these Rules. The declaration of admissibility shall be announced in a **Notice**.
- 21.2 **Issuers** referred to in article 210 who intend to add to an issue programme that **Borsa Italiana** has declared to be admissible with additional securities notes shall apply for a declaration of admissibility to listing of the financial instruments that are the subject of such additional securities notes. **Borsa Italiana** shall issue the declaration within the time limit specified in the guidance 21.1.
- 21.3 **Issuers** referred to in article 210 who modify the characteristics of the financial instruments that **Borsa Italiana** has declared to be admissible, shall apply for confirmation of the clearance according to the form made available by **Borsa Italiana** trough the special electronic venue. **Borsa Italiana** shall respond within 10 trading days of the submission of the application with all the prescribed documentation.
- 21.4 In order to list securitised derivative instruments issued under a programme, **issuers** referred to in article 210 shall submit a listing application to **Borsa Italiana** complete with the documentation required and according to the form made available by **Borsa Italiana** trough the special electronic venue. Within 5 trading days of the date the documentation to be attached to the application is completed, **Borsa Italiana** shall decide and notify the admission decision to the **issuer**.
- 21.5 **Borsa Italiana** shall establish the date of the start of trading and the market segment in which the financial instruments are going to be traded in a **Notice**.
- 21.6 **Borsa Italiana** may send a notification interrupting the time limits referred to in the guidance sec 21.1 and 21.5 if it is found necessary to acquire new information and documentation. In such case the time periods provided for shall start to run again from the date of receipt of the documentation.

#### Suspension and revocation of instruments

234		Borsa Italiana may:
	234.1	suspend the trading of <b>financial instruments</b> if the regularity of the market for the instrument is temporarily not guaranteed or risks not being guaranteed, if this is necessary to protect investors, if the instruments have been suspended on other <b>regulated markets</b> where they are traded;
	234.2	revoke the <b>admission to trading</b> of <b>financial instruments</b> in the event of a prolonged lack of trading or where <b>Borsa Italiana</b> deems it to be necessary subject to its giving the market advance Notice;
235		The suspension of an <b>financial instrument</b> may not be for more than 6 months, except in <b>exceptional circumstances</b> ; where, at the end of such period, the reasons for the suspension still exist, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall initiate the procedure for the revocation of the <b>financial instrument</b> .

236 Suspensions and revocations shall be announced in a **Notice**.

237	<b>Issuers</b> may also apply for the delisting of financial instruments listed on the SeDeX market if the following conditions occur:
	a) the <b>issuer</b> possesses all the financial instruments;
	<li>b) they were not traded in the two sessions preceding the date of the application for their delisting;</li>
	<li>c) an undertaking by the issuer guaranteeing there will be no trading until the delisting date established by Borsa Italiana.</li>
237.1	For the purpose of delisting, <b>issuers</b> shall send <b>Borsa Italiana</b> a written application, signed by their legal representative, compliant with Model 4 and completed with the same documentation indicated in Model 4.
237.2	<b>Borsa Italiana</b> , having received a delisting application from an <b>issuer</b> and made the necessary checks, within 5 trading days of receiving the application, shall delist the financial instruments and indicate the date from which the delisting shall be effective.

### Exclusion from trading of the financial instrument upon request

### Delisting

240	<b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall delist securitised derivative financial instruments the second day prior to the maturity date of the securities themselves, taking into account of the opening days of the settlement system involved. If such day is a non-trading day, the delisting day
	is the first following trading day.
241	<b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall delist securitised derivative financial instruments, for which the settlement amount at maturity is observed in advance before the maturity day of the financial instrument, on the prescribed trading day for the observation of the price of underlying asset
242	Notwithstanding article 241, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> , taking into account the characteristics of the financial instrument contained in the documents referred to in article 211, and of the time remaining to maturity, may keep securitised derivative financial instruments referred to in paragraph 2 listed and promptly announce the decision in a <b>Notice</b> .

## **Disclosure obligations**

310	310.1	The subject referred to in Article 210 shall send <b>Borsa Italiana</b> the information of a technical nature needed for the functioning of the market.
	310.2	The guarantors of issues of securitised derivative financial instruments must comply with the same disclosure requirements vis-à-vis <b>Borsa Italiana</b> as, under laws and regulations in force, <b>issuers</b> of financial instruments admitted to listing.
	310.3	<b>Issuer</b> shall transmit the technical information using the specific electronic venue made available by <b>Borsa Italiana</b> , or, in the case of malfunctioning, by fax using one of the following numbers:
		02/8646.4242; 02/7200.4666
	310.4	Inside information must be disclosed using a SDIR.

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310.5 The issuer shall anticipates Borsa Italiana, also verbally and giving adequate Notice of the possibility of publishing inside information while financial instruments are being traded.

311		The entity referred to Article 210:
	311.1	must publish their <b>statutorily audited</b> annual accounts without delay and in any case not later than six months from the end of the financial year to which they refer;
	311.2	where the <b>issuer</b> or a single issue has received a rating from a local or international independent rating agency, such ratings, if in the public domain, must be made known to the market. <b>Issuers</b> shall also undertake to disclose any subsequent changes in their ratings in the same way;
	311.3	In force from the 2 January 2018 must communicate, before the start of the trading, the website where it makes available the KID required by the Regulation 1286/2017;
	311.4	at the time they are admitted to the market, <b>issuers</b> must choose whether they will use Italian or English for their disclosures to the public and no change may be made to the language chosen without the agreement of the holders of the financial instruments.
312		In the energy of the financial instruments referred to in Articles 220. Berge Italiana may
312		In the case of the financial instruments referred to in Articles 220 <b>Borsa Italiana</b> may request to provide any further information in the manners and in the terms considered appropriate. <b>Borsa Italiana</b> may also request to publish such information.
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- 30 Other Information
- 30.1 Borsa Italiana shall establish, within the framework of the market calendar, the dates for the corporate actions involving detachment of coupons representative of rights of securitised derivatives instruments. In the calendar the reference date shall be any open market day.
- 30.2 Payment of periodic amounts on securitised derivative financial instruments shall be paid in accordance with the dates established in the relevant provisions of the financial instruments as described in the documents referred to in article 211, and considering the settlement calendar of the instrument.
- 30.3 The applicant shall also notify the name of the person in charge of the communication of the information referred to in this article or the substitute.
- Issuers that provide for the payment of a periodic amount must promptly inform Borsa 30.4 Italiana of the amount thereof and in any case at least one trading day before the first day on which the financial instrument is traded ex rights. The date from which the financial instrument is traded ex rights will be announced by Borsa Italiana in a Notice taking into account the provisions of the financial instruments as described in the documents referred to in article 211.
- 30.5 Issuers that provide for the possibility of early redemption must notify the planned date as soon as known, and in any case with at least three trading days in advance to that date.
- Issuers, in the cases referred to in the guidance sec 11.4, 11.5, and 30,5 shall promptly 30.6 inform Borsa Italiana, at the latter's request, of the settlement amount of maturing

securitised derivative financial instruments.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

## **General provisions**

1000		The market intermediary is an entity that has been admitted to trading by Borsa
1000		Italiana in the SeDeX market as described above.
		Intermediaries admitted to trading and procedure for admission to trading
G 1010		The following may participate in trading in the <b>SeDeX market</b> : intermediaries authorised under the law or regulations to provide the services and engage in the activity of dealing for own account and/or executing orders on behalf of clients and those that fulfil specific membership requirements established by <b>Borsa Italiana</b> in the guidance.
	Sec. 100	Guidance to the Rules <u>Intermediaries admitted to trading</u>
	100.1	<ul> <li>The following may participate in trading in the SeDeX market: <ul> <li>a) persons authorised to provide the services and engage in the activity of dealing for own account and/or executing orders on behalf of clients under the Consolidated Law on Finance, the Consolidated Law on Banking or other special provisions of Italian law;</li> <li>b) banks and investment firms authorised to provide the services and engage in the activity of dealing for own account and/or executing orders on behalf of clients under laws of other EU countries or of non-EU countries;</li> <li>c) the firms of non-EU countries entered in the register of non-EU countries kept by ESMA pursuant to Article 48 of Regulation (EU) No. 2014/600;</li> <li>d) the entities authorised by the competent Authority of an EU country to provide one or more investment services and activities; insurance companies, the entities authorised to provide collective asset management services, and pension funds. These entities must satisfy the requirement indicated at letter e), point 2;</li> <li>e) firms set up in the legal form of a società per azioni or a società a responsibilità limitata or equivalent which trade on their own account within the limits imposed in Article 4-terdecies, paragraph 1, letter d), of the Consolidated Law on Finance:         <ul> <li>1. the persons performing administrative, management and supervisory functions and those responsible for trading activity and the internal control function satisfy adequate integrity requirements;</li> <li>2. they have established an internal audit function that does not depend hierarchically on any person with operational responsibilities and that makes periodic checks on the activity of trading infinancial instruments; Borsa Italiana may exempt intermediaries from this requirement after evaluating their size (proportionality principle);</li> <li>3. they have adequate financial resources to ensure the business continuity of the trading service and which are not less than 50,000 euros.</li> </ul> </li></ul></li></ul>

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2 The participation of companies according to guidance sec. 100.1 letter e), established in a non-EU Country is subject to the conclusion of agreements between Consob and the corresponding supervisory authorities in the home country.

G	1011		For the purposes of <b>admission to trading</b> in the <b>SeDeX market, intermediaries</b> shall send <b>Borsa Italiana</b> a written request conforming with what is provided for in the guidance.
	1012		As of the date on which <b>Borsa Italiana</b> notifies <b>intermediaries</b> of receipt of the <b>intermediary</b> 's request referred to in article 1011 with an invitation to complete the participation documentation, <b>intermediaries</b> are required to comply with the <b>General Conditions for the supply of services</b> referred to in rule 1301 and these rules and the accompanying guidance insofar as they are applicable in the meantime.
	1013		Within one month of the day the participation documentation is completed <b>Borsa</b> <b>Italiana</b> shall decide on the <b>intermediary</b> 's request. <b>Borsa Italiana</b> may extend the time limit not more than once and for up to a maximum of one month where it is necessary to obtain additional information and shall inform the applicant accordingly.
		Sec. 110	Guidance to the Rules Procedure for <b>admission to trading</b>
		110.1	Requests referred to in rule 1011 must be made by signing and sending to <b>Borsa</b> Italiana the "Request for Services" available via <b>Borsa Italiana</b> 's Member Portal, together with a copy of the authorisation issued by the competent Authority, if any.
		110.2	<ul> <li>Subsequent to the notification referred to in article 1012, market intermediaries are required to complete the participation documentation, using the forms and functions available via Borsa Italiana's Member Portal with the following data: <ul> <li>a) information concerning the participation requirements;</li> <li>b) information concerning the offer of the "direct electronic access" service;</li> <li>c) declaration showing that before use of each trading algorithm, and whenever a substantial update is made to each of them, the operator has run tests as appropriate to avoid creating abnormal trading conditions and indicates the environment in which the tests of these algorithms were run;</li> <li>d) information concerning the systems for accessing the market, including the identification of any third parties and/or Service Providers including the order for technological infrastructure and the confirmation of the execution of technical-functional tests;</li> <li>f) declaration showing that specific procedures for use of the order cancellation function have been implemented, and which also shows whether the technical procedures for cancelling orders are available on the intermediary's systems or in the market functions (kill functionality);</li> <li>g) in the case of indirect participation in the settlement service, a declaration referred to in rule 1100 communicated by the market intermediary and the intermediary participating in the settlement service;</li> <li>h) in the case referred to in guidance sec. 100.(e declaration of the legal representative or by a duly authorised person of the company that confirms that the internal audit function has been assigned to conduct periodic audits on the trading of financial instruments;</li> <li>j) a declaration of the legal representative or by a duly authorised person of the company that confirms that the internal audit function has been assigned to conduct periodic audits on the trading of financial instruments;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
		110.3	Intermediaries already admitted to trading on a regulated market or a Multilateral Trading Facilities managed by Borsa Italiana that intend to request to participate in the SeDeX market shall send Borsa Italiana the simplified version of the "Request

for Services". Without prejudice to guidance sec. 100, Borsa Italiana reserves the right to consider fulfilled membership requirements referred to in guidance Sec. 120 and not to require the documentation already provided by the intermediary in connection with its participation in other regulated markets or Multilateral Trading Facilities that it manages or that are operated by the London Stock Exchange Group. The procedure referred to in articles 1011, 1012 and 1013 shall apply insofar as it is compatible. 110.4 If Borsa Italiana's Member Portal is unavailable, intermediaries may transmit the participation documentation to Borsa Italiana using one of the other means of communication specified in the General Conditions for the supply of services. 1015 Market intermediaries shall ensure continued satisfaction of the authorisation and other requirements referred to in article 1010 and of the conditions referred to in article 1020<sup>1</sup>. 1016 Revocation or expiry of the authorisation to trade or cessation of fulfilment of the requirements for unauthorised persons shall result in suspension or exclusion from trading, without prejudice to any measures adopted by the supervisory authorities to ensure the closure of any positions still open and the carrying out of any related transactions required to protect customers' interests. In the event of: suspension or cancellation of a stockbroker under Article 201 of the a) Consolidated Law on Finance; extraordinary administration; b) compulsory administrative liquidation: C) d) another bankruptcy procedure; other measures taken by Competent Authority that result in it being impossible, e) even if only temporarily, for intermediaries to enter into undertakings or perform undertakings they have entered into, Borsa Italiana may suspend or exclude the intermediary from trading. 1017 The cessation of direct or indirect participation in the settlement system and in the clearing and guarantee systems of transaction in financial instruments must be immediately notified in writing to Borsa Italiana by market intermediaries and shall result in their being promptly suspended from trading in the market until they are again

#### Condition for admission and continued eligibility

may exclude the intermediary.

able to settle trades, directly or indirectly. After six months have passed without the cessation of the condition that gave rise to the suspension from trading, **Borsa Italiana** 

G	1020		The admission of intermediaries to trading shall be subject to verification by <b>Borsa</b> <b>Italiana</b> , in accordance with objective non-discriminatory criteria, of fulfilment of the following conditions on a continuing basis:
	1(	020.1	adequacy of the technological systems used for trading and associated activities carried on and the number and types of interconnections with the market, and their compatibility with the electronic data processing and telecommunication support systems adopted by <b>Borsa Italiana</b> for the operation of the market;
	10	020.2	sufficient staff with adequate professional qualifications in relation to the types of activity carried on and the types of <b>interconnection</b> with the market;
	10	020.3	adequate internal procedures and controls for trading activity;
	10	020.4	adequate clearing and guarantee and settlement procedures;

<sup>1</sup> The permanence of the conditions indicated in the guidance sec 110.2, letters b, c and d, must be ensured from the 3 of January

G	1020.5	<b>intermediaries</b> may entrust the management of technological systems to third parties, subject to the conditions laid down in the guidance sec. 130;
G	1020.6	the admission of <b>intermediaries</b> shall also be subject to verification of direct or indirect participation in the settlement systems provided in the guidance sec. 500 and participation in their accessory systems (trade-checking systems); sec. 135 shall apply;
	1020.7	in order to comply with the conditions of this paragraph, <b>intermediaries</b> must satisfy the minimum requirements laid down in the guidance to rules.

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120 <u>Requirements for participation</u>

- 120.1 For the purpose of complying with the conditions referred to in rule 1020, market *intermediaries* must attest that:
  - a. their trading staff know the rules and operating procedures of the market and the technical instruments for trading and have adequate professional qualifications;
  - persons acting as specialists for SeDeX financial instruments, in addition to satisfy the requirements specified above for traders, must know the rules governing and the manner of performing the activity of specialists and the related technical instruments;
  - c. they have ensured the presence of a compliance officer who must have a good knowledge of the of these **Rules**. The compliance officer shall also be entrusted with relations with **Borsa Italiana**'s trading supervision office.

Intermediaries shall send **Borsa Italiana** the name of a compliance officer, who must be on call during trading hours. To ensure the continuity of the function in the absence of the compliance officer, **intermediaries** shall send, in advance or on a case-by-case basis, the name of a deputy. This communications are make using the forms and functionalities available on **Borsa Italiana**'s Member Portal.

- They have adequate systems, procedures and controls for trading activity including specific procedures for use of the order cancellation function and settlement procedures that reflect the characteristics of the firm and activity performed;
- e. they have an internal IT unit that is in terms of number, experience and specialisation of the staff to guarantee the continuous and prompt functioning of the trading and settlement systems used, taking into account the degree of automation of their internal procedures and any recourse made to outsourcing. The market **intermediary** shall send to **Borsa Italiana** the name of an IT contact person, who must be on call during trading hours. To ensure the continuity of the function in the absence of the IT contact person, **intermediaries** shall send, in advance or on a case-by-case basis, the name of a deputy using the forms and functionalities available on **Borsa Italiana**'s website.
- 120.2 When carrying on the trading activity and associated activities, the market **intermediary** shall avail itself of technological systems which are adequate for the interaction with the electronic data processing and telecommunication support systems of the market, for which **Borsa Italiana** has issued the conformance certification (so called conformance test). The conformance certification must be completed before the market access systems are used and before any substantial updating of such access systems or of the market trading system in accordance with the manner indicated in the Trading Service Manual. For the execution of the conformance test the subscription of specific **general conditions for the supply of services** is requested.
  - 120.3 Traders and specialists may not perform their activities for more than one market

#### intermediary.

120.4 Market **intermediaries** may use a third party and/or a group company to perform the activities referred to in guidance sec. 120.3 and those of the compliance officer provided they remain fully responsible for compliance with all the obligations of the Rules and control and coordinate the activities performed by the persons referred to in the preceding guidance. Market **intermediaries** must inform **Borsa Italiana** accordingly. The agreement between the **intermediary** and the third party/group company must provide for the possibility of **Borsa Italiana**, or its appointees, verifying compliance with the requirements laid down in the Rules directly on the premises of the third party and/or the group company the market **intermediary** uses.

#### Sec. Guidance to the Rules 130 Conditions for outsourcing technological systems

- 130.1 Pursuant to Rule 1020.5, intermediaries may use Borsa Italiana third parties:
  - a) for connection to the market;
  - b) for the other functions related to the management of technological systems other than connection to the market (e.g. housing and facility management).
- 130.2 Connection to the market may be provided by **Borsa Italiana** itself or exclusively by a company, specifically accredited by **Borsa Italiana**. **Borsa Italiana** reserves to not require the accreditation of the subjects that are already accredited by the London Stock Exchange.
- 130.3 The company offering the connection to the market may provide that the single connection is shared among many **intermediaries**, in the respect of specific segregation criteria. In such case, the company offering the connection to the market is known as a Service Provider and shall have a contract for the purpose with a company belonging to the London Stock Exchange group, which shall, among other things:
  - a) provide for Borsa Italiana or its appointees to be able to check the adequacy of the technological systems with respect to the services provided and their compatibility with Borsa Italiana's ICT structures;
  - b) provide for **Borsa Italiana** to be able to limit the number of **intermediaries** that a Service Provider may connect to the market;
  - c) require the Service Provider to have back-up and disaster recovery procedures in place.
  - d) the possibility for the Service Provider to offer also the services referred to in the preceding guidance sec 130.1 letter b).
- 130.4 **Borsa Italiana** may refrain from requiring the Service Provider contract referred to in Sec.130.3 to be signed by **intermediaries** that provide the connection to the market to other **intermediaries** belonging to its group.
- 130.5 Market intermediaries must inform Borsa Italiana of the execution with third parties, including Service Providers. Such contracts must contain a clause permitting Borsa Italiana or its appointees to verify compliance with the technological requirements established in these rules, inter alia on the premises of the third party used by the market intermediary.
- 130.6 Market **intermediaries** must also keep adequate documentation on their premises regarding the architecture, functionalities, operating procedures, service levels, controls and contractual guarantees for the activities entrusted to third parties, including Service Providers.
- 130.7 The contracts between the third parties and market intermediaries must indicate whether in turn the third party subcontracts some of the services outsourced by the market intermediary, for the Service Provider, in no case may such subcontracting

jeopardise the primary role that the Group or Authorised Service Provider is required to play in providing the agreed services. If the third party uses in turn subcontractors, provision must be made for **Borsa Italiana** to verify the adequacy of the technological infrastructure on the latter's premises.

- 130.8 The supervision and control of orders sent to the market may not be delegated to third parties.
- Sec. Guidance to the Rules
- 135 <u>Participation in the settlement service</u>
- 135.1 Pursuant to article 1020.6 the **intermediary** must participate directly or indirectly both in the settlement service indicated in the guidance sec. 500.2.
- 135.2 Market **intermediaries**, for the purpose of complying with the conditions referred to in Article 1020.6, letter a), shall attest that:

*i)* in case of direct participation in the settlement system, the participation to the X-TRM system service;

*ii)* in case of indirect participation in the settlement system, the participation to the X-TRM system service on his behalf of the intermediary participating in the settlement service.

Participation in the settlement service may differ (direct/indirect) for the **Domestic Segment** and the **ICSD Segment**, and in the case of indirect involvement, the intermediary may avail itself of different liquidators.

In these case **Borsa Italiana** reserves the right to require intermediaries to use different **access codes** for different market segments.

1021	If in the performance of its surveillance activity <b>Borsa Italiana</b> finds situations or conduct likely to entail risks for the integrity of the market, it may apply one or more of the following measures against the market <b>intermediaries</b> in question, until the reasons for their application cease to exist:
1021.1	suspension from trading;
1021.2	imposition of specific requirements relating to: the number and professional qualifications of trading staff; trading system and <b>interconnection</b> procedures and controls; and any other matters relevant to ensuring the continued satisfaction of market <b>intermediaries</b> ' admission requirements;
1021.3	restrict access to the market, including access via <b>interconnections</b> , or segregation of specific trading activities;
1021.4	imposition of limits on operations or interconnections.
1021.5	Where a measure of suspension from trading is adopted, from the time such measure takes effect the market <b>intermediary</b> to which it is applied shall only be permitted, under the surveillance of <b>Borsa Italiana</b> , to close out any positions still open and carry out any related transactions that are necessary to protect customers' interests, from the moment in which starts the suspension.
1021.6	Borsa Italiana may modify or revoke the measures referred to in this rule at any time.

1021.7	Borsa	Italiana	shall	promptly	inform	the	market	intermediary	concerned	of	the
	adoptio	n of the r	neasu	res.							

G 1022 Market **intermediaries** shall notify, in the manner and within the time limits specified in the guidance sec. 140, every variation with respect to the operating conditions referred to in the information provided at the time of submission of the application for admission, according to articles 1020 and 1050.

#### Sec. Guidance to the Rule:

- 140 <u>Notification of changes in admission conditions as well as changes resulting from</u> <u>corporate actions</u>
- 140.1 **Intermediaries** admitted to trading shall notify **Borsa Italiana**, using the form and functions available via **Borsa Italiana**'s Member Portal or in the other manner specified in the **General Conditions for the supply of services**, of any change in the conditions referred to in articles 1010 and 1020, as well as any change resulting from corporate actions, including changes to the company's name.
- 140.2 **Intermediaries** must notify changes referred to the guidance sec. 140.1 to **Borsa Italiana** promptly or, in the case of changes in the technological framework or of corporate actions, with due notice with respect to the date on which the changes will become effective, so that **Borsa Italiana** may make the necessary verifications, carry out any technical measures required and inform the market.
- 140.3 **Borsa Italiana** may request **intermediaries**, with a specific communication, to submit an update of the conditions referred to in articles 1010 and 1020.

1023	Market intermediaries shall observe these Rules, the accompanying guidance, the
	applicable Notices and any other technical and operational documents accompanying
	these rules and the guidance, including Service Manuals. Market intermediaries shall
	maintain conduct based on principles of correctness, diligence and professionalism in
	their relations with market counterparties, obligations towards Borsa Italiana and use of
	the trading systems.

#### Exclusion from trading upon request

1030	Intermediaries admitted to trading on the market may request to be excluded from
	trading in the manner specified in the General Conditions for the supply of services
	referred to in article 1301.

#### Appeals and complaints

С	1040	Appeals and complaints shall be conducted in accordance with the procedures set out in
		the Compliance Procedures.

#### **Notifications**

105	50	Market <b>intermediaries</b> shall promptly notify <b>Borsa Italiana</b> of any circumstances of which they are aware, including technical problems with their systems, that prejudice or
		might prejudice their compliance with these Rules.

#### Indirect participation in settlement system

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In the case of indirect participation in the settlement system, i.e. where a market

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	intermediary uses another intermediary to settle its contracts, the market intermediary and the other intermediary must send <b>Borsa Italiana</b> a declaration containing:
1100.1	an undertaking by the <b>intermediary</b> participating in the settlement system to settle contracts concluded in the market by the market <b>intermediary</b> up to the time of withdrawal from the agreement, together with the attestation referred to in guidance sec 135.2;
1100.2	an authorisation for the market <b>intermediary</b> to be suspended by <b>Borsa Italiana</b> , at the request and on the responsibility of the <b>intermediary</b> participating in the settlement system, without <b>Borsa Italiana</b> being required or entitled to verify the appropriateness of such suspension or its conformity with any understandings between the market <b>intermediary</b> and the participating <b>intermediary</b> .

Sec. Guidance to the Rule

150 <u>Declaration</u>

150.1 The request for suspension of the **intermediary** forwarded to **Borsa Italiana** at request of the **intermediary** participating in the settlement system is valid for the entire **SeDeX market**.

## **Compliance and enforcement**

Verification activity and co-operation

1210	For the purpose of verifying compliance with these rules and the accompanying guidance and, more generally, in order to ensure the performance of its functions of organising and managing the market, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> may:
1210.1	request <b>issuers</b> and market <b>intermediaries</b> to provide all the necessary information and documents concerning transactions carried out on the market and the respect of information obligations;
1210.2	convoke the representatives of <b>issuers</b> and market <b>intermediaries</b> to clarify specific conduct or situations;
1210.3	exclusively for the purpose of verifying compliance with the requirements of rule 1020, carry out examinations on the premises of market <b>intermediaries</b> .
1210.4	Market <b>intermediaries</b> must guarantee that <b>Borsa Italiana</b> can carry out examinations on the premises of third parties entrusted with the management of technological systems under rule 1020.6.
1210.5	Where evidence is found of presumed violations of these Rules or the accompanying guidance, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> , after acquiring appropriate substantiating elements, decides whether, in its opinion, a violation has been or has not been objectively completed and, if so, it adopts any of the measures referred to in Article C010, after it started the procedure referred to in Article C020, when applicable.
1212	Market <b>intermediaries</b> shall be liable vis-à-vis <b>Borsa Italiana</b> for the conduct of their employees and collaborators. Conduct by traders that violates these rules shall be considered as the conduct of the <b>intermediary</b> .
1213	<b>Borsa Italiana</b> may co-operate, also by the sharing of information, with other <b>regulated markets</b> and Multilateral Trading Facilities.

С	1214	Where in the course of market surveillance Borsa Italiana acquires evidence
		suggesting that acts of insider trading or market manipulation may have been
		committed, it shall immediately report such evidence to Consob.

### Imposition of sanctions for market intermediaries and issuers

С	1215	Imposition of sanctions shall be conducted in accordance with the procedures set out in
		the Compliance Procedures.

## Charges and fees

### General Conditions for the supply of services and fees

1300	Market <b>intermediaries</b> are required to pay fees for the services provided in accordance with the amounts, intervals and time limits established by <b>Borsa Italiana</b> on the basis of transparent and non-discriminatory criteria and indicated in the Price List attached to the <b>General Conditions for the supply of services</b> .
1301	The relationship between <b>Borsa Italiana</b> and market <b>intermediaries</b> concerning participation in trading on the market are governed by the <b>General Conditions for the supply of services</b> , available on <b>Borsa Italiana</b> 's Internet site.
1302	Borsa Italiana shall announce changes to the General Conditions for the supply of services by posting the revised text on its Internet site and in the manner specified in the General Conditions themselves.

## **Rules of conduct**

### Rules of conduct

G	1400		Market <b>intermediaries</b> shall refrain from acts that may prejudice the integrity of the market. <i>Inter alia</i> they may not:
		1400.1	commit acts that are likely to give a false or misleading impression to other market participants;
		1400.2	carry out sham transactions, whose objective is not to transfer ownership of the <b>SeDeX</b> financial instruments traded or to modify their exposure to the market;
		1400.3	commit acts that may impede <b>specialists</b> in fulfilling their commitments;
		1400.4	carry out, directly or through a nominee, transactions under a prior agreement for the execution, offsetting, and reverse thereof;
		1400.5	In force from the 3 January 2018
			Intermediaries applying market making strategies through algorithmic trading techniques on one or more financial instruments, at the occurrence of the conditions indicated in Regulation 2017/578/EU, must inform Borsa Italiana, in accordance to such Regulation, and conclude a market making agreement, in the terms indicated in the present Rules from articles 4020 to 4023 and related guidance. This obligation does not apply to specialists.
		1400.6	In force from the 3 January 2018

1401	Market intermediaries must put effective forms of control in place to monitor their
	contractual positions and avoid situations likely to hinder orderly trading and the regular
	settlement of contracts in the settlement service. Intermediaries must implement
	strategies to ensure the settlement of contracts. If they find they are unable to settle
	contracts on SeDeX financial instruments within the prescribed time limits,
	intermediaries may make new sales of such instrument for own or customer account
	only if they have forms of cover that ensure the availability of the SeDeX financial
	instruments on the settlement day for the transactions.

## Order entry

### Transmission of orders to the SeDeX market

1450	Market <b>intermediaries</b> shall be liable for all interactions with the electronic data processing and telecommunication support systems adopted by <b>Borsa Italiana</b> for the operation of the market, including trading orders sent to the market and those sent via <b>Interconnections</b> , and their effects. Market <b>intermediaries</b> must equip themselves on a continuous basis with systems, procedures and controls to prevent the entry of orders that are anomalous in terms of price, quantity <b>countervalue</b> <sup>2</sup> or number.
1451	In order to ensure the smooth technical functioning and efficient use of the electronic trading support system, market <b>intermediaries</b> must observe the technical limits for order entry established on a general basis by <b>Borsa Italiana</b> in the <b>Guide to the Parameters. Borsa Italiana</b> may also establish further limits on the entry and modification of orders in terms of daily frequency, total daily number or ratio of orders to contract concluded. <b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall establish such limits and any fees payable by <b>intermediaries</b> where they are exceeded.

1454	In force from the 3 January 2018
	Intermediaries using trading algorithms must certify, before using them and an time these have undergone substantial changes, that the trading algorithms used were tested, to avoid contributing to or creating disorderly trading conditions and must indicate the environments used for these tests. To this purpose, the issue to Borsa Italiana a special statement according to the guidance sec. 110.2.
1453	In force from the 3 January 2018
1432	trading activities or to segregate different participations in the settlement system. For this purpose market intermediaries must take previous contact with Borsa Italiana.
1452	Market intermediaries can request to use more than one code to segregate specific

Following the procedures indicated in the guidance, intermediaries must:
a. transmit the information needed to allow the association between the content of the orders and the information needed to guarantee to Borsa Italiana the completeness of records requested by Regulation 2017/580/EU;
b. acquire the appropriate controls to ensure the correctness and completeness of the information entered in the orders and in the systems used to associate the information, according to letter a) above;

<sup>2</sup> The word "countervalue" is introduced from the 3 January 2018.

с.	make use of a specific access code to identify the activities to
	support of the liquidity carried out by specialists and Mifid2
	Market Makers;
d.	provide Borsa Italiana with the information on executed
	contracts needed to comply with transaction reporting
	obligations, if such obligations pertain to the market.

Sec.	Guidance to the Rules:

- 155.1 Market **intermediaries** are required to fulfil the participation requirements and shall be liable for the orders sent to the market.
- 155.2 Market **intermediaries** must organise themselves in order to be able to control orders entered, including those entered via **interconnections**. To this end, attention must be paid to:
  - the professional qualifications of the persons assigned to trading;
  - the controls on access to systems that permit the entry of orders via interconnections; such controls must make it possible to ensure the recognition of the persons who operate via interconnections and the access controls of the order enter via interconnections;

### From the 3 January 2018 the previous paragraph is amended as follows

- the professional qualifications of the persons assigned to trading;
- the controls on access to systems that permit the entry of orders via interconnections; such controls must make it possible to ensure the fitness and the recognition of the persons who operate via interconnections and the access controls of the order enter via interconnections; In the case of "direct electronic access", the participant has to implement procedures enabling it to ensure that the persons who may be guaranteed that access are authorised persons pursuant to Article 22 of Regulations 2017/589/EU;
- the controls on the maximum quantities, on the countervalue<sup>2</sup> and prices of orders entered;
- the controls on the overall trading activity carried out by the different persons who operate via **interconnections**;
- the frequency according to which persons who operate via interconnections enter order which have overridden controls and systems alert in terms of price, size, countervalue<sup>2</sup> or number.
- 155.3 In order to ensure the adequacy of the systems referred to in rule 1450, market **intermediaries** must equip themselves with controls and automatic alarm systems, taking into account the following elements:
  - a) the price of the last contract;
  - b) spread present on the book<sup>3</sup>
  - c) price quantity and countervalue<sup>2</sup> limits, possibly by instrument;
  - d) possible price impact caused by the order entered;
  - e) minimum order quantity, taking into account the economic significance of the order;
  - f) controls on limit orders in the auction phase, so as to prevent the enter of limit orders at a price that differ substantially from the prevailing market conditions.
- 155.4 In particular, market **intermediaries** must equip themselves with controls and automatic alarm systems that prevent the entry of anomalous orders, whose price, size,

<sup>155 &</sup>lt;u>Transmission of orders to the market</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> As established in **Notice** 16169 of 12 September 2008, the entry into force will be announced in a subsequent **Notice** 

**countervalue**<sup>2</sup> or number could affect the orderly functioning of the market. To this end market **intermediaries** shall take account of the nature of their activity. In addition the procedures and controls must be adequate to permit the correct entry of orders and the handling of any alarms.

- 155.5 As for **interconnections**, in addition to providing the persons who send orders via **interconnections** with appropriate professional support, market **intermediaries** shall equip themselves with controls and monitoring systems in order to:
  - prevent the entry of orders that exceed the maximum variation thresholds;
  - instruct such persons regarding the manner of entering orders.
- 155.6 Market intermediaries shall ensure that they can delete orders entered via interconnections or, if necessary, restrict the possibility to enter orders via interconnections with or without the prior consent of the subject who entered the order via interconnections.

#### 155.7 In force from the 3 January 2018

Intermediaries have to report the following information via the Member Portal of Borsa Italiana. This information is necessary to complete the content of orders which Borsa Italiana is required to file pursuant to Regulation No. 2017/580:

- a) client identification code
- b) code used to identify the person or algorithm used internally by the intermediary responsible for the investment decision;
- c) code used to identify the person or algorithm that is responsible for execution of the order.

The intermediaries shall ensure that each these codes (long-code) corresponds, in the trading orders, to a single code (short code), and vice versa, for all Borsa Italiana markets.

The communication of the information indicated at sub-indents b) and c) constitute confirmation that the indicated trading algorithms have been tested in advance.

#### 155.8 In force from the 3 January 2018

The intermediaries that are not subject to Regulation (EU) 2014/600 must report all the additional information that has not already been reported pursuant to guidance 145.7, so that Borsa Italiana may properly discharge its obligation pursuant to Article 26(5) of that Regulation, in accordance with the terms and conditions indicated in the Manual of transaction reporting of Borsa Italiana.

#### Sec. In force from the 3 January 2018

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### Guidance to the Rules Positions on SeDeX financial instruments on commodities derivatives

- 158.1 Intermediaries that trade SeDeX financial Instruments derivatives on commodities, must report detailed information on the positions they hold, including the positions of their clients and the clients of those clients, down to the end client, classified in accordance with the procedures indicated in Consob Regulation on financial Markets and the terms and conditions contained in the Manual for reporting positions on commodities derivatives.
- 158.2 Borsa Italiana reserves the right to ask intermediaries for all useful information and documents, including those concerning the transactions of their clients and the clients of those clients, down to the end client, to check the position limits, and it may ask the intermediary to close or promptly reduce the positions if the limits are exceeded or otherwise by the deadline that is periodically announced by Borsa Italiana.

- 158.3 If the positions have not been reduced by the deadline envisaged in the guidance sec 158.2, Borsa Italiana made assign an intermediary to close the positions that can be associated with the intermediary.
- 158.4 If necessary to reduce the effects of a dominant position, Borsa Italiana may ask the intermediary to place orders on the market for agreed quantities and prices.

## Systems and trading

Technical breakdowns of market intermediaries' systems

G	1500		Market <b>intermediaries</b> shall promptly inform <b>Borsa Italiana</b> of any technical breakdowns of the systems they use for trading or of those for accessing the market referred to in rule 1020.1 and rule 1050.
G	1501		In the cases referred to rule 1500 market <b>intermediaries</b> shall follow any instructions received from <b>Borsa Italiana</b> and may request, in the manner laid down in the guidance to this rule, the deletion of orders sent to the market.
		Sec. 160	Guidance to the Rules <u>Technical breakdowns in market <b>intermediaries</b>' systems</u>
		160.1	For the purpose of article 1500, market <b>intermediaries</b> shall promptly inform <b>Borsa Italiana</b> of technical breakdowns in the technological systems they use for trading and their systems for accessing market, in particular if they intend to request the deletion of orders entered or suspension or reduction of the obligations in these rules in case of <b>specialists</b> . Market <b>intermediaries</b> shall also notify <b>Borsa Italiana</b> of the subsequent reactivation of their systems.
		160.2	Market <b>intermediaries</b> must be able to delete orders they enter. In the event that this is impossible, they may request <b>Borsa Italiana</b> to delete orders on their behalf either all the orders entered and orders associated with specific <b>access code</b> .
		160.3	Market intermediaries shall send Borsa Italiana, via the Member Portal of Borsa Italiana, the list of persons who may request the deletion of orders. The list may include traders, the compliance officer referred to the article 1020.4 and other persons deemed by the market intermediary to possess adequate professional qualifications and subject to Rule 1212.
		160.4	<b>Borsa Italiana</b> may delete orders only at the request of persons assigned to trading and included on the list referred to in the previous guidance sec 160.3. <b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall notify the names of the persons on the list only to the persons indicated in the list or to the compliance officer. Requests for the deletion of orders made by persons not included in the list will not be carried out.
		160.5	Market <b>intermediaries</b> must notify the list referred to guidance sec 160.3 to rule and every change to the list itself, through <b>Borsa Italiana</b> Member Portal. Changes to the list will be effective from the effective date indicted in the Member Portal. Market <b>intermediaries</b> that configure their access to the market using more than one <b>access</b> <b>code</b> must send the list referred to in guidance sec 160.3 to rule for each <b>access code</b> .
		160.6	When requests are made for the deletion of orders, the following information must be given in addition to the market <b>intermediary</b> 's name and identification code: the <b>access code</b> for which the cancellation request has been entered the name and telephone number of the person requesting the deletion, and the reason for the request. For the deletion of individual orders, it is also necessary to specify the number of the order or the name of the instrument, the sign of the order, and its price, quantity

and time of entry. When the request concerns individual orders, the maximum number of orders that **Borsa Italiana** will delete is five.

160.7 **Borsa Italiana** shall promptly carry out deletions of orders for which the request complies with what is set out above. If the orders in question have given rise to the conclusion of contracts, such contracts shall be binding on the market **intermediary**, without prejudice to the application of the procedures referred to in guidance sec 610 and guidance sec 620.

## **ORDER BOOK TRADING RULES**

## Trades

### Trading methods and phases

2000	2000.1	Trading on the <b>SeDeX market</b> shall be carried on using the continuous trading methods with the following hours:
		08.45 – 09.05 pre-trading
		09.05 - 17.30 continuous trading.
	2000.2	Continuous trading and the conclusion of contracts shall start at the conclusion of the pre-trading phase, and shall be conducted according to the methods set out in Article 2040 of the Rules, with the exception of securitized derivative financial instruments belonging to the <b>Domestic segment</b> and to the <b>ICSD Segment</b> set out in guidance sec 200 letter b), letter c) class A and letter d), class B, for which the continuous trading shall be conducted according to the methods referred to in article 2040.2.

### Trading segments

2014		Borsa Italiana shall assign the financial instruments referred to in Article 220 to the Segment.
		-Domestic Segment -ICSD Segment announcing the decision in the start-of-trading Notice.
		Borsa Italiana may assign individual financial instruments referred to in Article 220 to the <b>Domestic Segment</b> and <b>ICSD Segment</b> , announcing the decision in the start-of-trading <b>Notice</b> .
	Sec 200	Guidance to the Rules Subdivision of financial instruments
	200.1	<ul> <li>Within the Domestic segment and the ICSD segment, financial instruments are subdivided on the basis of the characteristics of the same, according to the following criteria:</li> <li>a) "for plain vanilla covered warrants":</li> <li>securitised derivative financial instruments that consist in a put or a call option;</li> <li>b) "for structured/exotic covered warrants":</li> <li>securitised derivative financial instruments that consist of exotic options or that are combinations of call and/or put options;</li> <li>c) "for leverage certificates":</li> <li>divided into the following classes:</li> <li>1. class A: securitised derivative financial instruments that replicate, with a leverage effect, the performance of the underlying;</li> <li>2. class B: securitised derivative financial instruments that replicate, with a fixed leverage effect, the performance of the underlying;</li> <li>d) "for investment certificates"</li> <li>divided into the following classes:</li> <li>1. class A: securitised derivative financial instruments that replicate, with a fixed leverage effect, the performance of the underlying;</li> <li>d) "for investment certificates"</li> <li>d) "for investment certificates"</li> <li>divided into the following classes:</li> <li>1. class A: securitised derivative financial instruments that replicate, with a fixed leverage effect, the performance of the underlying;</li> <li>d) "for investment certificates"</li> <li>d) the following classes:</li> <li>example the following classes:</li> <li>class A: securitised derivative financial instruments that replicate, without a</li> </ul>

leverage effect, the performance of the underlying;class B: securitised derivative financial instruments that incorporate one or more structured or exotic options.

### <u>Orders</u>

2020	Approved intermediaries shall express their willingness to trade through anonymous orders. Specialists shall express their willingness to trade through non anonymous orders. Orders shall contain at least the information relative to the SeDeX financial instrument to be traded, the quantity, the type of transaction, the type of account, the price, and the method and include a special indication when originated from an algorithm or entered by a direct electronic access. The orders may also specify different validity parameters based on time and execution of the order and contain the additional information necessary for Borsa Italiana to comply with the Regulation 2017/580/EU. The modalities of entering of such information and the parameters admitted for each order shall be established in the Trading Service Manual.
2021	In the continuous trading phases, the following types of orders may be entered with limit price (or limit order), orders that can be executed at an equal or better price compared to their limit price.
2022	In the continuous trading phases, the following types of orders may be entered without limit price (or market order), orders that can be executed at any price and always have a higher priority than limit orders.
G 2023	In the continuous phase the following types of orders may also be entered iceberg orders, orders with a limit price and with a partial quantity displayed. <b>Borsa Italiana</b> sets in guidance sec 210.4 the minimum value of proposals and the minimum value of partly displayed proposals (known as peak size). The execution of the entire peak size shall automatically generate a new order. The new order shall have a partial quantity equal to that of the order already executed, or a different quantity established within the range indicated in the <b>Trading Manual</b> . Such order shall be displayed on the book with the price of the original order and the time priority corresponding to the time the new order was generated. When the peak sizes of multiple iceberg orders displayed in the book with the same price are executed by the same order, with an opposite sign and quantity exceeding the sum of the peak sizes, the eventual remaining not displayed quantities are executed by the same order in proportion to the remaining not displayed quantity of each iceberg order.
2024	Market intermediaries may enter, modify and cancel orders in the continuous trading phases.
2025	The orders for each instrument shall be automatically ranked on the book according to price — in order of decreasing price if to buy and increasing price if to sell — and, where the price is the same, according to entry time. Modified orders shall lose their time priority if the modification implies an increase in the quantity or a change in the price.
2026	Limit orders may not be entered with prices above or below the maximum percentage limits for price variations established by <b>Borsa Italiana</b> in the guidance sec. 204.
2027	In order to ensure the regularity of trading in a financial instrument, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> may establish the maximum quantity <b>and countervalue</b> <sup>2</sup> of financial instruments that may be the subject of an order, the maximum quantity of financial instruments or the maximum number of lots that may be entered "at the auction price".

- Sec. Guidance to the Rules
- 210 Order quantity and time limits
- 210.1 The maximum quantity and countervalue of **SeDex Financial instruments** are set out in the following table:

Maxiumum quantity orders and orders negotiated transactions	orders maximum countervalue (1)	negotiated transactions maximum countervalue (1)
(number of pices)		
5.000*EMS	25,000,000 euro	50,000,000 euro
From the 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2018 the limit is equal to 50,000,000		

- 210.2 (1) For instruments in a currency other than the euro, the maximum countervalue is determined on the basis of the trading currency periodically updated on the basis of the exchange rate.
- 210.3 The maximum duration that may be specified for "Good till date" orders shall be 1 day.

The parameter "good till cancellation" cannot be used,

For the iceberg orders referred to in article 2023:

- a. the minimum countervalue of the order shall be EUR 20,000;
- b. the minimum countervalue of the peak size shall be EUR 10,000
- 210.4 For instruments in currencies other than the euro, the minimum countervalue referred to in points (a) and (b) is determined on the basis of the denomination currency updated periodically on the basis of the exchange rate.

#### Sec. 220 <u>Prices of orders</u>

220.1 The prices of orders may be multiples of the ticks established for each financial instrument and Stock Exchange session in relation to the prices of the orders entered, as follows:

Price of the order entered (euro and other currencies)	Tick
Less than or equal to 0.0030	0.0001
0.0031 – 0.3000	0.0005
0.3001 – 1.5000	0.0010
1.5001 – 3.0000	0.0050
3.0001 - 30.0000	0.0100

More than 30.0000	0.0500
Price of the order entered (JPY)	Tick
Less than or equal to 0.3000	0.01
0.3001 – 30.0000	0.05
30.0001 – 150.0000	0,1
150.0001 - 300.0000	0.5
300.0001 - 3,000.0000	1
More than 3,000.0000	5

Borsa Italiana, taking into account the unit value of the financial instruments traded in the SeDeX market, may establish a different tick from that specified in guidance sec 220.2 220.1; it shall announce such ticks in a Notice.

The value given to the contracts traded on the ICSD Segment, referred to in Article 2010, shall be based on the currency of the financial instruments, unless specified otherwise in 220.3 the Notice of admission to trading.

#### **Continuous trading**

2040		through the au	ious trading, contracts shall be concluded, up to the quantities available, tomatic matching of orders of the opposite sign displayed on the book and ing to the criteria referred to in Article 2025, as follows:
	2040.1	with a price low limit order sha	buy limit order shall result in its being matched with one or more sell orders wer than or equal to that of the order entered; conversely, the entry of a sell all result in its being matched with one or more buy orders with a price equal to that of the order entered;
	2040.2	securitised der Segment of th	vided in the previous paragraphs, in the <b>SeDeX market</b> and only for the rivatives financial instruments of the <b>Domestic Segment</b> and of the <b>ICSD</b> be type of covered warrant structured/exotic; leverage certificates, class A, ertificates, class B, reffered to in guidance sec 200:
		p (i o w	ontracts may only be concluded at a price that falls within the range of vrices of the bids and offers displayed in the market by the <b>specialist</b> including the extremes of such range); in all cases, including when there is only one bid or offer of the <b>specialist</b> , the contracts shall be concluded within a range of prices that considers the maximum variation limit referred o in guidance to the Rules Sec. 204;
			ontracts may not be concluded in the absence of the <b>specialist</b> 's bid and ffer, and in such event only orders may be cancelled by the Intermediaries;
		w h n s	or each contract concluded by means of automatic matching in accordance with the referred to in Article 2040, the price is equal to that of the order aving greater time priority, except when an order already displayed on the market is matched with a better order entered subsequently by the specialist. In such cases, the price of the contract shall be that of the order intered by the <b>specialist</b> ;
		c	In the case of a partial execution of an order the residual quantity is ancelled if it could match with a proposal of opposite sign outside the ange of orders entered by the <b>specialist</b> .
2041		For each contr	act concluded via automatic matching in accordance with article 2040, the

	price shall be equal to that of the order having higher time priority.
2042	The partial execution of a limit order shall give rise to the creation of an order for the unfilled quantity that shall remain on the book with the price and time priority of the original order.
2043	Orders that are unfilled at the close of trading shall be automatically cancelled.
G 2044	Where, during the continuous trading of a <b>SeDeX financial instrument</b> , the price of a contract that is being concluded exceeds one of the price variation limits referred to the guidance sec 230, the continuous trading of the <b>SeDeX financial instruments</b> shall be automatically suspended for a period whose duration shall be two minutes and the order that caused the suspension shall be automatically cancelled.

Sec. <u>Automatic trading controls</u>

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230.1 For the purpose of the automatic control of the regularity of trading, the following types of trading conditions, shall be established, except in the case referred to in guidance sec. 230.2:

a) the maximum price variation limit for orders with respect to the static price referred to in article 2026:

Reference price of the previous session (in currency)	Maximum variation
Less than or equal to 0.003	± 2000%
0.0031 – 0.03	±600%
0.0301 – 0.1	±400 %
0.1001 – 0.3	±300 %
0.3001 – 1.5	±300 %
1.5001 – 3	±200 %
3.0001 – 30	±90 %
30.0001 - 70	±50 %
70.0001 - 100	±30 %
100.0001 - 300	±25 %
More than 300	±20 %

Reference price of the previous session (JPY)	Maximum variation
Less than or equal to 0.3	±2000%
0.3001 – 3	±600%
3.0001 – 10	±400 %
10.0001 – 30	±300 %
30.0001 – 150	±300 %
150.0001 – 300	<u>±200 %</u>
300.0001 – 3000	±90 %
3000.0001 - 7000	±50 %
7000.0001 – 10000	±30 %
10000.0001 - 30000	<u>+</u> 25 %
More than 30000	<u>+20 %</u>

b) the maximum price variation limit for contracts with respect to the static price referred to in article 2044:

Reference price of the previous session (in currency)	Maximum variation
Less than or equal to 0.003	±200 %
0.0031 – 0.03	±70 %
0.0301 – 0.1	±70 %

0.1001 – 0.3	±60 %	
0.3001 – 1.5	±50 %	
1.5001 – 3	±40 %	
3.0001 – 30	±30 %	
30.0001 - 70	±25%	
70.0001 - 100	±15 %	
100.0001 - 300	± 12.5 %	
More than 300	±7.5 %	

Reference price of the previous session (JPY)	Maximum variation
Less than or equal to 0.3	±200%
0.3001 – 3	±70%
3.0001 - 10	±70 %
10.0001 – 30	±60 %
30.0001 – 150	±50 %
150.0001 - 300	±40 %
300.0001 – 3000	±30 %
3000.0001 - 7000	±25 %
7000.0001 – 10000	±15 %
10000.0001 - 30000	±12.5 %
More than 30000	±7.5 %

c) the maximum price variation limit for contracts with respect to the dynamic price referred to in article 2044:

Reference price of the previous session (in currency)	Maximum variation
Less than or equal to 0.003	±150 %
0.0031 - 0.03	±50 %
0.0301 – 0.1	±50 %
0.1001 – 0.3	±40 %
0.3001 – 1.5	±25 %
1.5001 – 3	±25 %
3.0001 – 30	±10 %
30.0001 - 70	±5 %
70.0001 - 100	±5 %
100.0001 - 300	±3.5 %
More than 300	±2.5 %

Reference price of the previous session (JPY)	Maximum variation
Less than or equal to 0.3	±150 %
0.3001 – 3	±50 %
3.0001 - 10	±50 %
10.0001 – 30	±40 %
30.0001 – 150	±25 %
150.0001 – 300	<i>±</i> 25 %
300.0001 - 3000	±10 %
3000.0001 - 7000	±5 %
7000.0001 – 10000	±5 %
10000.0001 - 30000	±3.5 %
More than 30000	±2.5 %

230.2

For the purposes of the automatic control of the regularity of trading for the leverage certificates securitised derivatives financial instruments, class B, the following price variation limits shall apply:

a) maximum price variation limit of orders with respect to the static price, referred to in Article 2026, of the Rules, defined for instruments classes according to the leverage and the type of underlying of each instrument:

Underlying Type Leverage	Shares	Commodities	Equity Indexes	Bonds	Exchange Rates
- 1 (short)	±50%	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
2 (long/short)	±50%	n.a.	±20%	n.a.	n.a.
3 (long/short)	±60%	n.a.	±25%	n.a.	± 20%
4 (long/short)	n.a.	n.a.	±30%	n.a.	n.a.
5 (long/short)	n.a.	±50%	<i>±</i> 40%	±30%	± 20%
7 (long/short)	n.a.	±70%	±50%	±40%	±20%

b) maximum price variation limit of contracts with respect to the static price, referred to in Article 2044, of the Rules defined for instruments classes according to the leverage and the type of underlying of each instrument:

Underlying Type Leverage	Shares	Commodities	Equity Indexes	Bonds	Exchange Rates
- 1 (short)	±7.5%	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
2 (long/short)	±15%	n.a.	± 10%	n.a.	n.a.
3 (long/short)	<u>+</u> 20%	n.a.	$\pm$ 12.5%	n.a.	±5%
4 (long/short)	n.a.	n.a.	±15%	n.a.	n.a.
5 (long/short)	n.a.	<i>±</i> 25%	±20%	<u>±</u> 5%	±7.5%
7 (long/short)	n.a.	±35%	±25%	±7.5%	± 10%

c) maximum price variation limit of contracts with respect to the dynamic price, referred to in Article 2044, of the Rules defined for instruments classes according to the leverage and the type underlying of each instrument:

Underlying Type Leverage	Shares	Commodities	Equity Indexes	Bonds	Exchange Rates
- 1 (short)	<u>+</u> 5%	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
2 (long/short)	±7.5%	n.a.	± 3%	n.a.	n.a.
3 (long/short)	±10%	n.a.	± 3.5%	n.a.	±2.5%
4 (long/short)	n.a.	n.a.	<i>±</i> 4%	n.a.	n.a.
5 (long/short)	n.a.	±5%	±4.5%	± 1.5%	±2.5%
7 (long/short)	n.a.	±7.5%	±5%	±2.5%	±3%

For the purposes of the automatic control referred to in article 230.2, letter c):

- if the reference price of the previous session is less than or equal to 0.005, the maximum variation parameter is equal to three time the relating value reported in above table;
- if the reference price of the previous session is higher than 0.005 and lower than or equal to 0.01, the maximum variation parameter is equal to

		twice the value reported in the above table.
	230.3	<b>Borsa Italiana</b> may establish in the <b>Notice</b> announcing the start of trading price variation limits which differ from the ones referred to in article 230.1, taking into account the historical volatility of the underlying as well as the presumable liquidity level of the financial instruments.
	230.4	Pursuant to article 6010 of the Rules the trading parameters referred to the guidance sec 230.1 may be altered or temporarily deactivated.
		Special procedures for the conclusion of contracts
2050		it is possible to enter large in scale <b>negotiated transactions</b> for which the price may also fall within the percentage deviation with reference to the best prices found on the trading book, for which the deviation of the prices with reference to the best prices found on the trading book do not exceed the limit of 10%; in absence of prices on the trading book transactions can not be entered.

Keeping into account market conditions and after informing Consob, **Borsa Italiana** may change, in general or with reference to specific categories of financial instruments or specific financial instruments, the percentage deviation referred to in letters a) and b) above, disclosing them to the public in a **Notice**.

2051	Intermediaries may enter <b>negotiated transactions</b> according to which they are acting in one of the following capacities: a. one acts on own account when the other is acting on behalf of a client; b. both are dealing on own account; c. both are acting on behalf of a client; or one intermediary is either of the following: d. acting on behalf of both the buyer and the seller; dealing on own account against a client order.
2052	Transactions referred to in article 2050 shall not count toward, the reference price and the average price formation referred to in articles 2060, 2100 and 2091.

### **Reference price**

2060		The reference price shall be equal to:
	2060.1	calculated on the basis of a significant number of bids and offers entered by the <b>specialist</b> in the order book during the continuous trading phase, giving greater weight to the most recent.
	2060.2	where it is not possible to determine the reference price on the basis of article 2060.1, the reference price shall be calculated on the basis of a significant number of bids entered by the <b>specialist</b> in the order book during the continuous trading phase, with greater weight given to the most recent
	2060.3	where it is not possible to determine the reference price on the basis of article 2060.2, the reference price shall be calculated on the basis of a significant number of best bids and offers displayed on the order book during the continuous trading phase, with greater weight given to the most recent;
	2060.4	where it is not possible to determine the reference price on the basis of article 2060.3, the reference price shall be calculated on the basis of a significant number of best bids

		displayed on the order book the continuous trading phase, with greater weight given to the most recent;
	2060.4	where it is not possible to determine the reference price on the basis of article 2060.4, the reference price shall be that of the previous session.
2061		In order to guarantee the regularity of trading and the significance of prices, <b>Borsa</b> <b>Italiana</b> may establish, on a general basis and with reference to specific market segments or a single <b>SeDeX financial instrument</b> , a different interval from that referred to in articles or that the reference price shall be determined in a different manner to that laid down in the preceding articles, and announce the decision in a <b>Notice</b> .

### Static and dynamic price

2090	The static price referred shall be given by:
	a) the reference price of the previous day in the opening auction;
	b) during the continuous trading phase, the average price of the bids and offers present in the book at the conclusion of the pre-trading phase. In the event that it is not possible to determine such price, the static price shall be the previous day's reference price until the conclusion of the first contract and, subsequently, the price shall be the price of the first contract concluded.
2091	The dynamic price referred shall be:
	<ul> <li>a) after each pre-trading phase and until the conclusion of the first contract, the average price of the bids and offers present in the book at the conclusion of the pre-trading phase. In the event that it is not possible to determine such price, the dynamic price shall be the previous day's reference price.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>b) after the conclusion of the first contract, the dynamic price shall be the price of the last contract concluded in the continuous trading phase.</li> </ul>

### **Official Price**

2100	The daily official price of each SedeX financial instruments shall be the weighted
	average price of the total quantity of that instrument traded in the market during the
	session without taking into account the contracts concluded in the manner indicated in
	Article 2050.

Sec 235	Guidance to Rules <u>Measures concerning the trading securitised derivative financial instruments subject to</u> <u>resolutory conditions</u>
235.1	Upon receiving the <b>issuer</b> 's notification specifying the time (hour, minute and second) at which the price level causing the resolutive condition to be fulfilled was reached, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall suspend trading in the financial instruments subject to such condition and arrange for them to be delisted.
235.2	Upon receiving the notification referred to in the preceding guidance, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall cancel any contracts involving such financial instruments concluded after the time specified therein, including any concluded in the second in which the resolutive condition was fulfilled.

# **DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION**

### Information provided to intermediaries - General Principles

3000	Approved <b>intermediaries</b> shall be provided with the information needed for the proper performance of the trading functions and the settlement of trades. Such information shall be made available via the electronic data processing and telecommunication systems put in place by <b>Borsa Italiana</b> as promptly as possible and with <b>intermediaries</b> on an equal footing insofar as this is compatible with the technological equipment in their possession.
3001	<b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall establish the conditions and procedures for the dissemination of the information referred to the preceding article 3000 to interconnected customers.
	Information provided to the intermediaries – Contents
3002	<ul> <li>Throughout the market session intermediaries shall have access to at least the following information updated in real time:</li> <li>a) the trading book with all the individual buy and sell orders and an indication of the quantities and prices;</li> <li>b) a summary of the trading conditions for each financial instrument, containing the trading parameters, the market phase, the opening price, the last price, the best buy price, the best sell price and the cumulative volume of trades;</li> <li>c) the situation regarding the intermediary's own orders on the book and its trades;</li> <li>d) a list of the individual trades for each financial instrument, showing the time, quantity and execution price.</li> </ul>
3020	In order to facilitate investment and disinvestment decisions and the verification of the conditions at which transactions are executed in the markets, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall arrange for the prompt disclosure to the public including via third parties where appropriate, of information on market conditions and the contracts concluded for each <b>SeDeX</b> financial instrument.

3021	<b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall not disclose information to the public on the identity of the parties to trades.
3022	In force from the 3 January 2018
	Borsa Italiana publishes on its website data on the quality of the execution of the transactions, according to the provisions of the Regulation 2017/575/FU.

### Information provided to the public - General principles

3030	In the continuous trading phase the public shall have access to the following information for each financial instrument, updated in real time:
3030.1	the prices and quantities of at least the five best buy and sell orders
3030.2	the aggregate buy and sell quantities and orders for at least the five best prices;
3030.3	the price of the last contract concluded, the day and time of execution, the quantity traded and the ID data of the financial instrument within the limits specified in article 3031;

3030.4 the cumulative quantity and countervalue traded instrument within the limits specified in article 3031;

# PROVISION REGARDING SPECIALIST

## <u>Specialists</u>

4000		Trading in the <b>SeDeX market</b> shall be supported by a <b>specialist</b> , appointed by the <b>issuer</b> , which is required to undertake the liquidity of the financial instruments traded therein, in compliance with the obligations specified under guidance sec 400. <b>Specialists</b> in the <b>SeDeX market</b> may also fulfil their undertaking also for instruments issued by themselves.
4001		Market intermediaries admitted to <b>SeDeX market</b> that require <b>Borsa Italiana</b> to be qualified as <b>specialist</b> may be eligible to engage in the activity of <b>specialist</b> using the specific model which is available on <b>Borsa Italiana</b> Internet website and undertake to support the liquidity of the financial instruments for which they act as <b>specialists</b> .
G 4002		For the <b>SeDeX financial instruments</b> whose liquidity they undertake to support, <b>SeDeX specialists</b> are required respects the <b>specialists</b> ' obligations set out in the guidance sec 400.
	Sec. 400	Guidance to Rule <u>Obligations of <b>specialist</b></u>
	400.1	Specialists shall enter exclusively quote type orders
	400.2	<b>Specialists</b> are required to enter, from the penultimate minute of the pre-negotiation phase, orders for which the minimum quantity and the maximum spread are set out below: a) The minimum quantity of each order entered by the <b>specialists</b> in fulfillment of their obligations shall be determined as follows:
		Minimum quantity per order (multiplier *EMS)
		1*EMS
		b) <b>Borsa Italiana</b> , taking into account the characteristics of the instrument, may provides for maximum spreads which differ from the ones indicated above, through a <b>Notice</b> announcing the start of trading.
	400.3	<b>Borsa Italiana</b> may adjust the obligations referred to in the preceding paragraphs on the occasion of every circumstance that requires technical interventions including changes in market conditions.
	400.4	<b>specialist</b> spread obligations shall not apply to securitised derivative financial instruments whose underlyings are traded on markets not managed by <b>Borsa Italiana</b> , outside the hours established in the following table:
		Stocks Indices (Future on) Commodities

Continent	Exchange Underlying	From <sup>1</sup>	То	From	То	From	То
Europe	Default	09:03	17:30	09:03	17:3 0	09:03	17:30
Europe	Delault	09:03	17:30	09:03	0	09:03	17:30
	Exceptions						
		00.00	17:00	00.00	17:0		
	Finland	09:03	17:00	09:03	0 17:0		
	Denmark	09:03	17:00	09:03	0 17:0		
	Norway	09:03	17:00	09:03	0		
	Austria	09:03	17:00	09:03	17:0 0		
	Austria	09.03	17.00	09.03	16:3		
	Hungary	09:03	16:30	09:03	0 16:1		
	Greece	09:30	16:10	09:30	0		
	Poland	10:00	16:00	10:00	16:0 0		
					15:3		
	Turkey	09:03	15:30	09:03	0		
	Cocoa Future					10:30	17:30
Asia	Default	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
	Exceptions				16:3		
	Israel	09:03	16:30	09:03	0		
	India	09:03	11:00	09:03	11:0 0		
					11:0		
	Malaysia	09:03	11:00	09:03	0 12:0		
	Thailand	09:03	12:00	09:03	0		
America	Default	15:30	17:30	15:30	17:3 0	09:03	17:30
	Exceptions						
	Orange Juice Future					14:00	17:30
A (		40.00	44.00	10-00	14:3		
Africa	Egypt	10:30	14:30	10:30	0 17:0		
	South Africa	09:03	17:00	09:03	0		
Oceania	Default	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

Legend

n.a.

Spread Obligation not applicable

400.5 **Specialist** shall undertake to restore their quotations within 1 minute of a partial or total hit on the book, that results in the quantity displayed falling below the minimum.

- 400.6 Upon reasoned request of the **specialist** and the **issuer**, **Borsa Italiana** may allow an activity of displaying just bid orders. In such case, the bid **specialist**, in fulfilling its obligations, shall esclusively enter single sided **quote** type of orders. The obligations of the present guidance shall apply, as they are compatible.
- 400.7 **Borsa Italiana**, in evaluating possible violations of the obligations referred to the article 400.2, shall also take account of values of the  $\varepsilon$  indicator referred to the guidance sec 400.8, letter a), and for the case referred to the guidance sec 400.6, the indicator  $\varepsilon_{\text{BID}}$  referred to the guidance sec 400.8, letter b), of less than 90%.
- 400.8 Once a month **Borsa Italiana** shall rank the **specialists** on the basis of the  $\varepsilon$  indicators and inform each **specialist** of the value of its indicator and position in the ranking.
  - A) Once a month **Borsa Italiana** shall calculate the  $\varepsilon$  indicator, defined as follows:

ε(%) = 0,4 \* P\_ratio + 0,4 \* S\_ratio + 0,2 \* Q\_ratio

where the calculation coefficients are:

P_ratio	is calculated on the basis of the number of minutes of compliance with the continuous quotation obligations
S_ratio	is calculated on the basis of the number of minutes of compliance with the spread obligations
Q_ratio	is calculated on the basis of the number of minutes of compliance with the minimum quantity obligations

B) Once a month **Borsa Italiana** shall calculate the  $\varepsilon_{BID}$  indicator, defined as follows:

where:	$\varepsilon_{BID}$ (%) = 0,6 * P_ratio + 0,4 * Q_ratio
P_ratio	is calculated on the basis of the number of minutes of compliance with the continuous quotation obligations
Q_ratio	is calculated on the basis of the number of minutes of compliance with the minimum quantity obligations

- 400.9 If the **issuer** has appointed a third party to act as **specialist**, the party that terminates the contract following a breach of the contract by the other party must notify **Borsa Italiana** in writing at least 30 days before the effective date of the termination. In all other cases of termination of the relationship **Borsa Italiana** must be notified in writing at least three months before the effective date of the termination. **Borsa Italiana** may accept shorter notice if the continuity of the **specialist** function is ensured by another person entering into the undertakings referred to guidance sec 400.
- 400.10 At the written request of **specialists**, **Borsa Italiana** may suspend or temporarily reduce their obligations in the event of documented causes that prejudice fulfillment thereof. **Borsa Italiana**, with a Notice, may modify specialist's obligations or exempt them from the obligations.
- 400.11 The spread obligations shall not apply to:
  - a) securitised derivative financial instruments whose underlyings are shares traded on markets not managed by **Borsa Italiana**, outside the hours established and communicated in the guidance sec 400.4;
  - b) securitised derivative financial instruments whose underlyings are stock indexes where the shares making up the index are shares traded on markets not managed by **Borsa Italiana**, outside the hours established and communicated in the guidance sec 400.4;
  - securitised derivative financial instruments whose underlyings are shares traded on markets managed by **Borsa Italiana**, during suspensions of trading and during the auction phases of the underlying financial instrument;
  - d) securitised derivative financial instruments whose underlyings are shares or units of open-end CIUs not traded on regulated markets with continuous trading;
  - e) securitised derivative financial instruments whose underlyings are commodities traded on markets not managed by **Borsa Italiana**, outside the hours established and communicated in the guidance sec 400.4.

400.12 Upon receipt of a reasoned request, Borsa Italiana may temporarily relieve

intermediaries from the spread obligations in the following circumstances:

- a) for securitised derivative financial instruments whose underlyings are financial instruments traded on markets not managed by **Borsa Italiana**, suspension from trading of the underlying financial instrument;
- b) where the underlying is an index, suspension from trading of a significant percentage of the financial instruments included in the index;
- c) anomalous increases in the volatility of the price or bid-ask spread of the underlying financial instrument or anomalous increases in the volatility of the underlying index;
- d) when the market the underlying security is listed on is closed.

In the request for exoneration intermediaries must indicate the alphanumeric code identifying the financial instruments for which exoneration is being requested.

400.13 Upon receipt of a reasoned request, **Borsa Italiana** may temporarily relieve **specialists** from the obligations referred to the guidance sec 400 in any circumstances preventing the regular performance of the role of **specialist**. In the request for exoneration intermediaries must indicate the alphanumeric code identifying the financial instruments for which exoneration is being requested.

4003	Borsa Italiana shall verify that specialists fulfil their obligations.
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4004	The cessation of the <b>specialist</b> activity must be notified in writing to <b>Borsa Italiana</b> at least 30 days before the planned day of cessation. <b>Borsa Italiana</b> may accept shorter notice in cases where the intermediary demonstrates the necessity thereof and taking into account of provisions indicated in guidance sec 402.

Sec. **Borsa Italiana** may accept shorter notice than that indicated at article 4004 if the 401 continuity of the **specialist** function is ensured by another person undertaking the **specialist** role.

If the **issuer** has appointed a third party to act as **specialist**, the party that terminates the contract following a breach of the contract by the other party must notify **Borsa Italiana** in writing at least 30 days before the effective date of the termination.

## PROVISION REGARDING SPECIALIST AND MIFID2 MARKET MAKERS [from the 3 January 2018 this section shall replace the previous section "Provisions regarding Specialist"]

## **Specialists**

	4000		Trading in the <b>SeDeX market</b> shall be supported by a <b>specialist</b> , appointed by the <b>issuer</b> , which is required to undertake the liquidity of the financial instruments traded therein, in compliance with the obligations specified under guidance sec 400. <b>Specialists</b> in the <b>SeDeX market</b> may also fulfil their undertaking also for instruments issued by themselves.
	4001		Market intermediaries admitted to <b>SeDeX market</b> that require <b>Borsa Italiana</b> to be qualified as <b>specialist</b> may be eligible to engage in the activity of <b>specialist</b> using the specific model which is available on <b>Borsa Italiana</b> Internet website and undertake to support the liquidity of the financial instruments for which they act as <b>specialists</b> .
G	4002		For the <b>SeDeX financial instruments</b> whose liquidity they undertake to support, <b>SeDeX specialists</b> are required respects the <b>specialists</b> ' obligations set out in the guidance.
		Sec	Guidance to Rule

- Sec. Guidance to Rule
- 400 <u>Obligations of specialist</u>
- 400.1 **Specialists** must display continuously simultaneous bids and offers for comparable quantities from the start of the continuous trading phase, exclusively of the **quote** type orders. These orders have to be entered at competitive prices, i.e. the bid and ask prices may diverge by the maximum spread indicated in guidance sec 400.2 and comply with the minimum quantity indicated therein.
- 400.2 **Specialists** are required to enter, from the penultimate minute of the pre-negotiation phase, orders for which the minimum quantity and the maximum spread are set out below:

a) The minimum quantity of each order entered by the **specialists** in fulfillment of their obligations shall be determined as follows:

	Covered Warrant Plain Vanilla Leverage Certificates – class B Investment Certificates – class A	Covered Warrant structured/esotici Leverage Certificates – class A Investment Certificates – class B
euro	2,500	5,000
GBP	2,500	5,000
USD	2,500	5,000
CHF	2,500	5,000
AUD	4,000	8,000
NZD	4,000	8,000
TRY	10,000	20,000

JPY	300,000	600,000

In any case, the minimum quantity may not exceed 50% of the quantity of the **Sedex** *financial instrument* issued and in any case to 1,000,000 instruments

b) The maximum spread, calculated as the ratio of the difference between the bid and ask prices to half their sum, shall be determined on the basis of the following table:

Reference price (in currency)	Maximum spread 1	Maximum Spread 2
Less than or equal to 0.003	180 %	270%
0.0031 - 0.3	50 %	75%
0.3001 – 1.5	20 %	30%
1.5001 – 3	15 %	25%
3.0001 - 30	7.5 %	10%
More than 30	3.5 %	5%

Reference price (JPY)	Maximum spread 1	Maximum Spread 2
Less than or equal to 0.3	180 %	270%
0.3001 – 30	50 %	75%
30.0001 – 150	20 %	30%
150.0001 - 300	15 %	25%
300.0001 - 3,000	7.5 %	10%
More than 3,000	3.5 %	5%

In general, the spreads indicated in column 1 shall apply.

The spreads indicated in column 2 apply until 3:30 pm for instruments whose underlying is listed on US markets and other instruments when the market of the underlying is closed.

For each financial instrument, **Borsa Italiana** announces the application of the second column of spreading obligations in the **Notice** of start of trading.

400.3

**Specialist** are required to comply with the requirements of guidance sec 400.1 and 400.2:

- for at least 70% of the duration of the trading session, for each trading day, for instruments:

- covered warrant plain vanilla;
- leverage certificates class B and
- investment certificates class A;

- for at least 80% of the duration of the trading session, for each trading day, for instruments:

- structured / exotic covered warrants,
- leverage certificates class A and
- investment certificates class B.

The trading session is represented by the last two minutes of pre-negotiation and continuous trading.

- 400.4 In **market stress situations** that might arise in the cases indicated in the guidance sec 600. **specialists** have to quote quantities that are half of those indicated hereinabove and with doubled spreads.
- 400.5 **Specialists** are not required to comply with the obligations set out in the preceding guidance in the event of the **exceptional circumstances** communicated by **Borsa Italiana**. In the cases envisaged in Article 3(d) of Regulation (EU) No. 2017/578, intermediaries shall give **Borsa Italiana** written notice of this circumstance in order to be exempted from these obligations.

400.6	Borsa Italiana, taking into account the characteristics of the instrument	, may provides
	for maximum spreads which differ from the ones indicated above, throu	igh a <b>Notice</b> .

- 400.7 **Borsa Italiana** may adjust the obligations referred to in the preceding paragraphs on the occasion of every circumstance that requires technical interventions including changes in market conditions.
- 400.8 Upon reasoned request of the **specialist** and the **issuer**, **Borsa Italiana** may allow an activity of displaying just bid orders. In such case, the bid specialist, in fulfilling its obligations, shall esclusively enter single sided **quote** type of orders. The obligations of the present guidance shall apply, as they are compatible.
- 400.9 If the **issuer** has appointed a third party to act as **specialist**, the party that terminates the contract following a breach of the contract by the other party must notify **Borsa Italiana** in writing at least 30 days before the effective date of the termination. In all other cases of termination of the relationship **Borsa Italiana** must be notified in writing at least three months before the effective date of the termination. Borsa Italiana may accept shorter notice if the continuity of the **specialist** function is ensured by another person entering into the undertakings referred to guidance sec. 400.

4003 **Borsa Italiana** shall verify that **specialists** fulfil their obligations. **Borsa Italiana**, in evaluating possible violations of the obligations, shall also take account of monthly compliance with the quotation obligations indicated in the guidance sec. 400.3.

4004 The cessation of the **specialist** activity must be notified in writing to **Borsa Italiana** at least 30 days before the planned day of cessation. **Borsa Italiana** may accept shorter notice in cases where the intermediary demonstrates the necessity thereof and taking into account of provisions indicated in guidance sec. 402.

Sec. **Borsa Italiana** may accept shorter notice than that indicated at article 4004 if the continuity of the **specialist** function is ensured by another person undertaking the **specialist** role.

If the **issuer** has appointed a third party to act as **specialist**, the party that terminates the contract following a breach of the contract by the other party must notify **Borsa Italiana** in writing at least 30 days before the effective date of the termination.

### Mifid2 Market Maker

4020	<b>Mifid2 Market Makers</b> are intermediaries admitted to trading that, pursuant to Article 1400.5, sign with <b>Borsa Italiana</b> a <b>market making agreement</b> .
4021	<b>Mifid2 Market Makers</b> are required to display continuously bids and offers for financial instruments for which they sign an agreement with <b>Borsa Italiana</b> , in compliance with the obligations established by <b>Borsa Italiana</b> in the guidance to the Rules.
4022	Borsa Italiana shall publish on its website the list of Mifid2 Market Makers.
4023	The termination of the Mifid2 Market Maker's activity shall be disclosed to Borsa

Sec.	Guidance to Rules
402	Obligations of Mifid2 Market Makers

402.1 **Mifid2 Market Makers** shall comply with the obligations referred to in these guidance by entering simultaneous buy and sell orders for comparable quantities, using exclusively anonymous orders. These orders have to be entered at minimum quantity and competitive prices, and the bid and ask prices may diverge by the maximum spread indicated below.

Italiana, in the terms and in the manners indicated in the guidance to the Rules.

a) The minimum quantity of each order entered by the **Mifid2 Market Makers** in fulfillment of their obligations shall be determined as follows:

	Covered Warrant Plain Vanilla	Covered Warrant structured/esotici
	Leverage Certificates – class B	Leverage Certificates – class A
	Investment Certificates – class A	Investment Certificates – class B
euro	2,500	5,000
GBP	2,500	5,000
USD	2,500	5,000
CHF	2,500	5,000
AUD	4,000	8,000
NZD	4,000	8,000
TRY	10,000	20,000
JPY	300,000	600,000
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In any case, the minimum quantity may not exceed 50% of the quantity of the Sedex financial instrument issued

b) The maximum spread, calculated as the ratio of the difference between the bid and ask prices to half their sum, shall be determined on the basis of the following table:

Reference price (in currency)	Maximum spread 1	Maximum Spread 2
Less than or equal to 0.003	180 %	270%
0.0031 – 0.3	50 %	75%
0.3001 – 1.5	20 %	30%
1.5001 – 3	15 %	25%
3.0001 - 30	7.5 %	10%
More than 30	3.5 %	5%

Reference price	Maximum spread	Maximum Spread
(JPY)	1	2

Less than or equal to 0.3	180 %	270%
0.3001 – 30	50 %	75%
30.0001 - 150	20 %	30%
150.0001 - 300	15 %	25%
300.0001 - 3,000	7.5 %	10%
More than 3,000	3.5 %	5%

In general, the spreads indicated in column 1 shall apply.

The spreads indicated in column 2 apply until 3:30 pm for instruments whose underlying is listed on US markets and other instruments when the market of the underlying is closed.

For each financial instrument, **Borsa Italiana** announces the application of the second column of spreading obligations in the **Notice** of start of trading.

- 402.2 **Borsa Italiana**, taking into account the characteristics of the instrument, may provides for maximum spreads which differ from the ones indicated above, through a **Notice**.
- 402.3 **Borsa Italiana** may adjust the obligations referred to in the preceding paragraphs on the occasion of every circumstance that requires technical interventions including changes in market conditions.
- 402.4 In market stress situations that might arise in the cases indicated in the guidance sec. 600. Mifid2 Market Makers have to quote quantities that are half of those indicated hereinabove and with doubled spreads.
- 402.5 **Mifid2 Market Makers** are required to comply with the requirements of guidance sec 402.1 and 402.2 for at least 50% of the duration of the trading session, for each trading day.
- 402.6 **Mifid2 Market Makers** are not required to comply with the obligations set out in the preceding guidance in the event of the **exceptional circumstances** communicated by **Borsa Italiana**. In the cases envisaged in Article 3(d) of Regulation (EU) No. 2017/578, intermediaries shall give **Borsa Italiana** written notice of this circumstance in order to be exempted from these obligations.
- 402.7 Borsa Italiana shall verify that Mifid2 Market Makers fulfil their obligations.
- 402.8 **Borsa Italiana**, in evaluating possible violations of the obligations, shall also take account of monthly compliance with the quotation obligations indicated in the guidance sec. 402.5.
- 402.9 **Intermediaries** are required to comply with the obligations set out in the previous guidance for at least three months after the commencement of the obligations. Once this term is terminated, the intermediary intending to terminate his activity, also with regard to a single financial instrument, must notify **Borsa Italiana** in writing at least 30 days before the due date for the termination. **Borsa Italiana** may accept a lower notice in cases of proven need of the operator.

## **SETTLEMENT**

## Settlement

5000	Immediately after the conclusion of contracts on the market, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall send to the daily trade-checking services, specified on the guidance to the rules, the data on the contracts in view of their settlement via the <b>CSD</b> specified in the guidance to the rules.
Sec. 500	Guidance to Rule: <u>Trade-checking and settlement service</u>
500.1	X-TRM is the daily trade-checking service.
500.2	Settlement services of the financial instruments are the services managed by: - Monte Titoli with subsequent Notice is added or other CSDs using the T2S platform allowing for cross-CSD settlement, as defined in the Monte Titoli Settlement Service Regulations; or - Euroclear and Clearstream Banking Luxembourg.
500.3	In the <b>Notice</b> announcing <b>admission to trading</b> , <b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall communicate the settlement service through which the contracts referred to the admitted financial instruments are settled.
	Time of settlement
5010	Purchase and sale contracts concluded on <b>SeDeX market</b> shall be settled on the second day following their conclusion
5011	The settlement time limits shall be determined according to the calendar of the settlement currency of the contract and taking into account the open days of the relevant settlement system.
5012	Settlement deadlines are calculated bearing in mind the opening days of the settlement system in question. In the <b>Notice</b> establishing the date of commencement of trading of each financial instrument, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> indicates the settlement service via which the instruments are to be settled.
	Late settlement

5020	Where purchase and sale contracts are not settled within the prescribed time limits and a payment of periodic amount or the maturity of the financial instrument occurs in the meantime, the procedures provided by the settlement system pursuant to the Rules apply.
Sec. 502	Guidance to the Rules <u>Start of the mandatory execution procedure</u>
502.1	Pursuant to article 5020 of the Rules, in the event that purchase and sale contracts are

2.1 Pursuant to article 5020 of the Rules, in the event that purchase and sale contracts are not settled for lack of the securities by 10:00 on the third day following the prescribed settlement date, the buyer may initiate the mandatory execution (buy-in) procedure referred to in guidance sec 503 against the seller who has failed to perform. The request of initiation of the mandatory execution (buy-in) procedure shall take account of the eventual buyer protection and of the features of the financial instrument.

- 502.2 Pursuant to article 5020 of the Rules, in the event that purchase and sale contracts are not settled for lack of cash, at the prescribed settlement date, in case of settlement via Monte Titoli [or other CSDs using the T2S platform], or by 10:00 on the third day following the prescribed settlement date, in case of settlement via Euroclear and Clearstream, the seller may initiate the mandatory execution (sell-out) procedure referred to in Sec. 507 against the buyer who has failed to perform.
- 502.3 The calculation of the days for the buy-in and sell-out procedures shall be based on the "TARGET" calendar; in the exclusive case of instruments belonging to the **ICSD Segment** referred to in Article 2014, paragraph 1, the calculation of the days shall take account of the days that the settlement system in question is open for business. If this day is a non-trading day, the act in question must be performed on the next trading day.
- 502.4 The notifications referred to in the following articles shall be made by fax.

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#### 503 Buy-in procedure

- 503.1 The buyer shall initiate the buy-in procedure by appointing an **intermediary** (the buy-in agent) to execute the buy-in and sending a buy-in notice to the seller. The buyer shall notify **Borsa Italiana** of the start of the procedure using the form shown in Annex 3. Buy-in notices may be sent from 10:00 on the third day subsequent to the original settlement day (if the notice is sent after such time, it shall be deemed to have been sent on the following day).
- 503.2 In the buy-in notice the buyer shall give the name of the buy-in agent, who, except in the case referred to in Sec. 505, shall execute the buy-in according to the time limits and in the manner established in the following guidance.
- 503.3 If the seller fails to settle the orginal transaction by the second day subsequent to the day on which the buy-in notice was sent ( the expiration day) on the following day ( the buy-in execution day) the buy-in agent shall purchase the securities to be delivered to the buyer and notify the same of the details of the transaction concluded. If the buy-in agent is unable to purchase some or all of the securities on the buy-in execution day, they may be purchased on the following days.
- 503.4 The buy-in must be executed on the **SeDeX market**, unless provided for otherwise by **Borsa Italiana**, which shall take account of the features of the financial instrument and the ways in which it is traded.
- 503.5 Upon receiving the notification referred to in Sec.503.3, the buyer, using the form shown in Annex 4, shall notify the seller and **Borsa Italiana** of the details of the execution of the buy-in and indicate any differential between the cum-coupon prices of the original contract and the buy-in contract, calculated with account taken of any intervening coupon detachments. If the differential is negative it shall be payable by the seller.
- 503.6 For contracts to be settled by Monte Titoli [or other CSDs using the T2S platform], on the buy-in execution date **Borsa Italiana** shall request Monte Titoli to delete the settlement instructions of the original contract from the settlement system.
- 503.7 For contracts to be settled via Euroclear and Clearstream, at the buy-in execution date, the buyer and the seller shall delete the settlement instructions of the original contract from the settlement system.
- 503.8 Upon execution of the buy-in the buyer shall send settlement instructions in favour of the buy-in agent to the settlement system for the settlement with the same value date of the quantity and value of the buy-in transaction. The buyer shall notify **Borsa Italiana** of

the sending of the settlement instructions. In the case referred to in Sec. 503.4, the seller shall send the settlement system instructions in favour of the buyer for payment of the differential with the same value date as the settlement of the buy-in transaction. The seller shall notify **Borsa Italiana** accordingly.

- 503.9 If the buy-in agent does not carry out the buy-in transaction before the securities mature, the buyer shall be entitled to the cash difference between the redemption value and the cum-coupon price of the original contract, calculated with account taken of any intervening coupon detachments.
- 503.10 Whenever within 30 days calculated starting from the settlement date of the original contract included the cases in which the buy-in agent is unable to purchase the securities by such time limits, the seller must pay the buyer an amount equal to the differential, if positive, between the valuation of the financial instruments on the end-of-validity day and the original value of the contract (cash settlement).

#### Sec. 504 <u>Buy-in agent</u>

- 504.1 Pursuant to Sec. 503.1, the buyer shall appoint an intermediary satisfying the requirements specified in the following Sec. 504.2 to purchase the securities (the buyin agent). If no such intermediary accepts to act as buy-in agent, **Borsa Italiana** shall make the appointment on its own authority.
- 504.2 The buy-in agent shall be chosen from among the intermediaries admitted to trading on the markets managed by **Borsa Italiana** that do not control the seller, are not controlled, directly or indirectly, by the seller and do not belong to the same group as the seller.
- 504.3 The buyer or **Borsa Italiana** where it made the appointment on its own authority may revoke the appointment of a buy-in agent who fails to execute the buy-in and appoint another. The buyer shall give the seller and **Borsa Italiana**, except where it made the appointment on its own authority, at least one day's notice of the revocation and of the appointment of another buy-in agent.
- Sec <u>Delivery of the securities during the buy-in procedure</u>
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- 505.1 The seller may settle the original contract by delivering the securities due up to the second day subsequent to the day on which the buy-in notice was sent and shall inform Borsa Italiana and the buyer accordingly. The buyer shall inform the buy-in agent.
- 505..2 In the case referred to in Sec. 505.1, the buy-in procedure shall be immediately cancelled.
- 505.3 Partial delivery shall be permitted subject to the buyer's agreement; in such case the seller and the buyer must modify the original settlement instruction in the settlement system and inform Borsa Italiana accordingly.
- 505.4 The seller may settle the original contract by delivering all or some of the securities due on the third day subsequent to the day the buy-in notice was sent, provided it has given the buyer and Borsa Italiana one day's notice. The buyer shall inform the buy-in agent.
- 505.5 Except where the buy-in agent has already executed the buy-in, the seller may, subject to the buyer's agreement and notification of Borsa Italiana, settle the original contract by delivering some or all of the securities due on the fourth trading day subsequent to the day the buy-in notice was sent or a later day. The byer shall inform the buy-in agent.
- 505.6 In the cases referred to in Sec 505.3, Sec 505.4 and Sec. 505.5, if the seller delivers part of the quantity due, the buy-in shall be executed for the remaining quantity. If the

seller delivers the entire quantity due , the buy-in procedure shall be immediately cancelled.

- Sec 506 Pass on
- 506.1 Upon receiving a buy-in notice, a seller who has not settled a contract concluded for own account within the prescribed settlement time limits because another participant on the **SeDeX market** has failed to settle may transfer the effects of the buy-in procedure to such participant by notifying the latter and **Borsa Italiana** using the attached form referred to in Sec. 503.1 and filling in the pass-in as well.
- 506.2 The seller shall notify the other participant and **Borsa Italiana** of the details of the execution of the buy-in, using the attached form referred to in Sec. 503.4, and filling in the pass-on section as well. The seller shall also indicate any price differential between the cum-coupon prices of the original contract and the buy-in contract, calculated with account taken of any intervening coupon detachments. If the differential is negative, it shall be payable by the other participant and in the cases in which the buy-in agent is unable to purchase the securities by the end-of-validity date of the original contract, the other participant is required to make the cash settlement referred to in Sec. 503
- 507 <u>Sell-out procedure</u>

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- 507.1 The seller shall initiate the sell-out procedure by appointing an intermediary (the sell-out agent) to execute the sell out and sending a sell-out notice to the buyer. The seller shall notify Borsa Italiana of the start of the procedure using the form shown in Annex 3.
- 507.2 With reference to the contracts to be settled via Monte Titoli [or other CSDs using the T2S platform], sell out-notices may be sent from the end of the original settlement day (by 18:00; if the notice is sent after such time, it shall be deemed to have been sent on the following day). If the buyer fails to settle the original transaction by 10.00 o'clock on the day subsequent to the day on which the sell-out notice was sent (the sell-out execution day), the sell-out agent shall sell the securities in order to deliver the cash amount to the seller and notify the same of the details of the transaction concluded. If the sell-out agent is unable to sell some or all of the securities on the sell-out execution day, they may be sold on the following days.
- 507.3 With reference to the contracts to be settled via Euroclear and Clearstream ,sell-out notices may be sent from 10:00 on the third day subsequent to the original settlement day (if the notice is sent after such time, it shall be deemed to have been sent on the following day). If the buyer fails to settle the original transaction by the second day subsequent to the day on which the sell-out notice was sent, on the following day (sell-out execution day), the sell-out agent shall sell the securities in order to deliver the cash amount to the seller and notify the same of the details of the transaction concluded. If the sell-out agent is unable to sell some or all of the securities on the sell-out execution day, they may be sold on the following days.
- 507.4 In the sell-out notice the seller shall give the name of the sell-out agent, who, except in the case referred to in Sec. 509, shall execute the sell-out according to the time limits and in the manner established in the following guidance.
- 507.5 The sell-out must be executed on the SeDeX market, unless provided for otherwise by Borsa Italiana, which shall take account of the features of the financial instrument and the ways in which it is traded.
- 507.6 Upon receiving the notification referred to in Sec.507.2 and Sec.507.3, the seller, using the form shown in Annex 4, shall notify the buyer and Borsa Italiana of the details of the execution of the sell-out and indicate any differential between the cum-coupon prices of

the original contract and the sell-out contract, calculated with account taken of any intervening coupon detachments. If the differential is negative, it shall be payable by the buyer.

- 507.7 For contracts to be settled via Monte Titoli [or other CSDs using the T2S platform], at the sell-out execution date Borsa Italiana shall request Monte Titoli to delete the settlement instructions of the original contracts from the settlement system.
- 507.8 For contracts to be settled via Euroclear and Clearstream, at the sell-out execution date the buyer and the seller shall delete the settlement instructions of the original contract from the settlement system.
- 507.9 Upon execution of the sell out the seller shall send the settlement instructions in favour of the sell-out agent to the settlement system for the settlement with the same value date of the quantity and the value in euro of the sell-out transaction. The seller shall notify Borsa Italiana of the sending of the settlement instructions. In the case referred to in paragraph 5, the buyer shall send the settlement system instructions in favour of the seller for payment of the differential with the same value date as the settlement of the sell-out transaction. The buyer shall notify Borsa Italiana accordingly. If the sell-out agent does not execute the sell out before the maturity of the securities, it is due to the seller the difference between the price of the original contract price and the redemption value, taking into account any periodic amounts paid during the period.
- Sec. 508

### 08 <u>Sell out agent</u>

- 508.1 Pursuant to Sec. 507.1, the seller shall appoint an intermediary satisfying the requirements specified in the following Sec.508.2 to sell the securities (the sell-out agent). If no such intermediary accepts to act as sell-out agent, Borsa Italiana shall make the appointment on its own authority.
- 508.2 The sell-out agent shall be chosen from among the intermediaries admitted to trading on the markets managed by Borsa Italiana that do not control the seller, are not controlled, directly or indirectly, by the seller and do not belong to the same group as the seller.
- 508.3 The seller or Borsa Italiana where it made the appointment on its own authority may revoke the appointment of a sell-out agent who fails to execute the sell out and appoint another. The seller shall give Borsa Italiana, except where it made the appointment on its own authority, at least one day's notice of the revocation and of the appointment of another sell-out agent.
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- 509 Delivery of cash during the sell-out procedure
- 509.1 With reference to the contracts to be settled via Monte Titoli [or other CSDs using the T2S platform], the buyer may settle the original contracts by delivering the cash due up to 10.00 o'clock on the day subsequent to the date on which the sell-out notice was sent and inform Borsa Italiana and the seller accordingly. The latter shall inform the sell-out agent accordingly. In such case the sell-out procedure shall be immediately cancelled.
- 509.2 With reference to the contracts to be settled via Euroclear and Clearstream, the buyer may settle the original contract by delivering the cash due up to the second day subsequent to the day the sell-out notice was sent and shall inform Borsa Italiana and the seller accordingly. The seller shall inform the sell-out agent. In such case the sell-out procedure shall be immediately cancelled.
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- 510 Guidance to the Rules Management procedure for failed transactions in case of corporate actions

- 510.1 Pursuant to article 5100 where purchase and sale contracts are not settled within the prescribed time limits and other corporate actions occur in the meantime, the discipline provided for by the settlement system referred to in article 5000 applies.
- 510.2 In cases of corporate events which provides for the in bonis buyer the possibility to notify an intention, the buyer may request the in malis seller the exercise of the option derived from the corporate action on the purschased instrument (so called buyer protection), notifying it to the market.
- 510.3 For the purpose of buyer protection request, the form available in the website of the settlement system shall be used. Also, the counterparties, directly or through the intermediaries that settle respectively on their behalf, shall insert in the settlement system the settlement instruction on the resulting and possibly cancel the original settlement instruction.

# **SURVEILLANCE**

## Controls and measures concerning trading

6000	<b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall control the regularity of trading, verify the compliance with these rules and the accompanying guidance and adopt all the measures necessary for the proper operation of the market. These functions shall be performed by the competen office, which shall be exclusively equipped with the means needed to carry out the related controls and interventions. These rules shall be conducted in accordance with the procedures set out in rule 1210.
6001	In carrying out its supervisory functions, with the aim of ensuring orderly trading <b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall, <i>inter alia</i> :
600	1 may intervene on the quoting obligations of the intermediaries where needed;
600	2 monitor the behaviour of approved intermediaries in the market and compliance wit the obligations of <b>specialists</b> ;
	from the 3 January 2018 the preceding paragraph is modified as follows: monitor the behaviour of approved intermediaries in the market and compliance with the obligations of <b>specialists and of Mifid2 Market Makers</b> ;
600	apply to <b>issuers</b> and to approved intermediaries for information deemed necessary in relation to particular market conditions in accordance with rules 330 and 1210;
600	4 verify the updating of records, procedures and any other matters necessary to ensure orderly trading
	from the 3 January 2018 the preceding paragraph is modified as follows: verify the updating of records, including the content of the proposals and information required by Regulation (EU) No. 2017/580 procedures and any othe matters necessary to ensure orderly trading;
600	5 monitor the operation of the technical equipment and transmission networks of the electronic data processing and telecommunication systems;
600	6 regulate trading conditions;
600	7 promptly inform the market of the measures it adopts that affect trading in the market or the performance of SeDeX financial instruments;
600	8 promptly suspend the <b>intermediary</b> at the request of the <b>intermediary</b> participating in the settlement service referred to in rule 1100 and immediately inform Consob.
600	9 shall promptly suspend the intermediary following the latter's suspension or exclusion by the management company of the clearing and guarantee system.
600	10 may suspend intermediaries at the request of the management company of the clearing and guarantee system.

### Measures concerning trading parameters, hours and phases

		<ul> <li>on a SeDeX financial instrument on shares traded in the MTA Market: during the underlying volatility auction up to 5 minutes after the restoring of the continuous auction and in the cases of declaration of underlying stressed market conditions;</li> <li>on a SeDeX financial instrument on Italian stock indexes: in the cases of declaration of stressed market conditions on index derivatives traded in the IDEM market.</li> </ul>
	600.1	Borsa Italiana declares in general that stressed market conditions exist:
	Sec 600	<u>Guidance to the Rules</u> <u>Market stress situations</u> [In force from 3 January 2018]
6013		<b>Borsa Italiana</b> may cancel orders that hinder orderly trading where the <b>intermediary</b> that entered them, when requested by <b>Borsa Italiana</b> , is unable to confirm, modify or cancel them in a reasonably short time.
	6012.3	of the dissemination or lack of dissemination of information available to the market
	6012.2	of the liquidity of the instrument and the significance of the trading;
	6012.1	of the volumes of the <b>SeDeX financial instruments</b> traded and of the prices recorded in the last three months, as well as their variations;
6012		In adopting the measures referred to in rule 6010, Borsa Italiana shall take account:
	6011.5	where detailed complaints are submitted by approved intermediaries that consider they have been damaged by irregular behaviour on the part of other approved intermediaries.
	6011.4	where there are technical reasons or other circumstances that do not guarantee the regular operation of the market;
	6011.3	where it is necessary to obtain information on particular market situations concerning <b>SeDeX financial instruments</b> ;
	6011.2	where anomalous trading conditions are observed for <b>SeDeX financial instruments</b> in terms of prices or volumes;
	6011.1	Where the price variation limits are exceeded;
6011		Borsa Italiana may adopt the measures referred to in the rule 6010:
	6010.4	suspend or reactivate trading.
	6010.3	modify the maximum price variation limits, the static price, the dynamic price and the other trading conditions ("parameters");
	0010.2	interrupt, where possible, continuous trading with the simultaneous reactivation of the auction;
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	6010.1	SeDeX financial instruments or individual SeDeX financial instruments: prolong the duration or delay the start of one or more phases of trading;
6010		In particular market conditions, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> may, with reference to categories of

# Borsa Italiana may declare, by means of a notice to intermediaries, that stressed market conditions exist on a SeDeX financial instruments when the following conditions occur simultaneously

- Variation of the average price of the last 10 minutes compered to the previous reference price exceeding in absolute value 3\*Y% [where Y is the price variation limit indicated at the guidance 230.b] and
- Countervalue traded > 25,000 Euro.

Borsa Italiana may also declare, with communication to the intermediaries, that stressed market condition on a SedeX financial instrument exist if required by the trend in the trading of the instrument or its underlying.

In these cases, notice shall be given of when stressed market conditions start and when they cease with reference to the current trading session, by means of a free text message.

#### Handling of input errors

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G	6020		Borsa Italiana may order or effect:
		6020.1	the cancellation of contracts concluded in the market upon receipt of a joint explained request from the approved intermediaries concerned;
		6020.2	the cancellation of transactions erroneously entered in the trade-checking service referred to in the rule 5000 up to the day following that of the conclusion of the contracts for contracts of not guaranteed financial instruments and up to the day of the conclusion of the contracts for contracts for contracts of guaranteed financial instruments, upon receipt of a explained request from approved intermediaries.
G	6021		In order to reduce or eliminate the effects of entry errors, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> may provide for or take one of the following actions:
		6021.1	entry of a transaction of the opposite sign offsetting all or part of the original transaction;
		6021.2	transfer of positions in financial instruments between the approved intermediaries concerned;
		6021.3	transfer of liquidity (cash adjustment) between the approved intermediaries concerned;
		6021.4	correction of the prices of transactions concluded as a result of errors;
		6021.5	cancellation of contracts in the market or in the trade-checking service referred to in the rule 5000.
	6022		In order to permit the handling, in the trade-checking service referred to in the rule 5000, of contracts deriving from entry errors, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> may inform authorised intermediaries of the identities of counterparties, if they are not displayed.
	6023		The measures referred to in rule 6020 shall normally be adopted where:
		6023.1	the approved intermediary that made the entry error applies promptly;

6023.2 the applicant made an obvious material error;

		6023.3	the applicant stands, in the event that the contracts concluded as a direct consequence of the error are settled, to lose an amount exceeding the limit established on a general basis by <b>Borsa Italiana</b> in the guidance sec 620.2.
G	6024		For the purpose of identifying transactions which may be the subject the measures referred to in rule 6021 and rule 6022, with special reference to those <b>Borsa Italiana</b> may adopt on its own authority, the latter shall establish the procedure for handling them in the guidance sec 600 and subsequent, determining on a general basis for each category of <b>SeDeX financial instruments</b> :
		6024.1	the theoretical market prices ("reference prices");
		6024.2	the differences between the prices of the contracts concluded and the reference prices.
G	6025		In determining the theoretical prices and the differences referred to in rule 6024 and specified in the guidance sec 630 and sec 640, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall take account of the nature, liquidity and volatility of <b>SeDeX financial instruments</b> .
	6026		The promptness of the application for the remedy of an error by its author referred to in rule 6023 shall be assessed <i>inter alia</i> in relation to the emergence of new information or changes in market conditions between the time of the error and the time the application was made.
	6027		Where approved intermediaries conclude contracts by mistake at anomalous prices and agree to annul them, they are required to inform <b>Borsa Italiana</b> , which shall cancel them.
	6028		<b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall give prompt notice to the intermediaries concerned of the operation of the procedure for handling errors and the measures adopted. Where these are affecting contracts that have been concluded, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall inform the market and provide the counterparties concerned, at their request, with the documentation relative to the corrections or cancellations effected.
G	6029		For carrying out the error handling procedure referred, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall charge the <b>intermediary</b> that made the mistake a fee proportional to the scale of its intervention, in accordance with the what is established in the guidance sec 650.
		Sec. 604	Guidance to the Rule: General principles
		604.1	An approved <b>intermediary</b> that makes a mistake in entering orders in the market shall promptly inform <b>Borsa Italiana</b> , giving the details of any resulting transactions and specifying whether it intends to request activation of the error handling procedure.
		604.2	Such reports, requests for the correction of mistakes by those that made them and the related counterparty authorisations, may be sent:
			<ol> <li>by telephone, provided calls are recorded by Borsa Italiana on magnetic tape or an equivalent medium; or</li> <li>after contacting Borsa Italiana's supervision office by telephone, by sending a written request to the following e-mail address: ms@borsaitaliana.it; or</li> <li>after contacting Borsa Italiana's supervision office by telephone, by sending a written request to the following fax number: (++39) 02-867422. Requests sent by e-mail or fax must contain the details of the transactions</li> </ol>

using a specific model forms. The same information must be expressly specified in recorded telephone calls.

- 604.3 **Borsa Italiana** shall promptly notify the details of the financial instruments for which the error handling procedure has been requested and activated to the counterparties involved or the entire market in the manner deemed most appropriate.
- 604.4 The cost of contacting the counterparties in connection with the adoption of corrective measures shall normally be borne by the approved **intermediary** that made the mistake. If the identities of the counterparties are not known to market participants, the **intermediary** that made the mistake shall contact **Borsa Italiana**.
- 604.5 The manner of determining the fees for the error handling procedure referred to in rule 6029 is specified in guidance sec 650.

#### Sec. Ordinary procedure

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- 610.1 The ordinary procedure may be activated where the following conditions are met:
  - a) the error correction request is submitted to Borsa Italiana as promptly as possible;
    - b) the transactions to which the request refers derive from an evident mistake.
- 610.2 **Borsa Italiana** shall promptly inform the applicant where the request for activation of the ordinary procedure is refused, giving the reasons for the refusal.
- 610.3 One or more of the corrective measures referred to in rule 6021 may be adopted directly within the scope of their authority by the parties or by **Borsa Italiana** subject to the agreement of the parties.
- 620 <u>Extraordinary procedure</u>
- 620.1 **Borsa Italiana** may arrange or implement one or more of the actions referred to in rule 6021 where, for the different types of errors, the conditions specified respectively in guidance sec 620.2, sec 620.3, sec 620.4 are met.
- 620.2 In the case of mistakes involving the same instrument made as a result of the entry of a single order or quotation that leads to the conclusion of one or more contracts, the conditions shall be the following:
  - a) the error correction request must be submitted to **Borsa Italiana** as promptly as possible;
  - b) the transactions to which the request refers must originate from an evident mistake;
  - c) the transactions to which the request refers must have prices above or below the levels established on a case-by-case basis by **Borsa Italiana** by calculating the theoretical "reference" prices referred to in guidance sec 630 and the maximum divergence thresholds beyond which prices are to be considered abnormal referred to in guidance sec 640;
  - d) the amount referred to in rule 6023.3 must exceed 5.000 euros in total.
- 620.3 In the case of mistakes involving the different instrument made as a result of the entry of a multiple order or quotation that leads to the conclusion of more contracts, the conditions shall be the following:

a) the error correction request must be submitted to **Borsa Italiana** as promptly as possible;

b) the transactions to which the request refers must originate from an evident mistake;

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- d) the amount referred to in rule 6023.3 must exceed 12.500 euros in total.

- 620.4 **Borsa Italiana** shall promptly inform the applicant where the request for activation of the extraordinary procedure is refused, giving the reasons for the refusal.
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- 630 <u>Determination of the theoretical "reference" prices</u>
- 630.1 The theoretical price shall be determined by **Borsa Italiana** on the basis of one of the following prices:
  - the arithmetic mean of the prices of a minimum of three and a maximum of six consecutive contracts concluded on the same day, chosen among those preceding or following the error;
  - the last reference price referred to in article 2060
  - the opening-auction price o the same session referred to in article 2060.
- 630.2 The theoretical reference prices shall be rounded to two decimal places with respect to the last figure of the tick of **SeDeX financial instrument**.

The intermediaries consulted by **Borsa Italiana** in order to determine the theoretical prices shall be selected from among those not directly or indirectly affected by the error being corrected.

- Sec. <u>Determination of the maximum divergence thresholds</u> 640
- 640.1 Following the determination of the theoretical prices, the prices of the contracts at which the extraordinary error handling procedure may be applied shall be calculated, i.e. all the prices respectively above or below the theoretical reference price reduced or increased by the maximum divergence threshold, as determined in the following guidance.
- 640.2 The maximum divergence for each instrument shall be equal for mistakes made in the continuous trading phase on the **SeDeX market** to the percentages shown in the table below, without prejudice to what provided in the following point:

In euro	Maximum price	
	deviation (%) for losses >	Maximum price
	€ 5,000 (or € 12,500 for	deviation (%) for losses >
	multiple errors) and losses	€ 35,000
	≤ € 35,000	,
Less than or equal to	(*)	(*)
0.003		(*)
0.0031 - 0.0150	25	22.5%
0.0151 - 0.0750	22.5	20%
0.0751 - 0,.3000	20	17.5%
0.3001 – 1.5000	17.5	15%
1.5001 - 3.0000	15	12.5%
3.0001 - 5.0000	12.5	10%
5.0001 - 15.0000	10	7.5%
15.0001 - 30.0000	7.5	5%
30.0001 - 70.0000	5	3.5%
70.0001 - 100.0000	3.5	2.5%
More than 100	2.5	2%

(\*) Where the theoretical price in euro of financial instruments traded on the **SeDeX market** is less than or equal to 0.003, in the event of an error caused by the seller the maximum price divergence is equal to half the theoretical price, whereas in the event of an error caused by the buyer it is equal to the theoretical price itself.

• for mistakes made in the continuous trading phase for financial instruments traded in the **SeDeX market**, *leverage certificates segment*, class B:

Maximum price deviation (%) for losses > $\in$ 5,000 (or $\in$ 12,500 for multiple errors) and losses ≤ $\in$ 35,000	Maximum price deviation (%) for losses > € 35,000
Maximum variation referred to in Article 4.3.12, paragraph 1(c) of the Rules (Z%)	Z% * 0.75

640.3	For financial instruments traded in a currency other than the Euro, the theoretical price shall be converted into Euro on the basis of the ECB's fixing exchange rate for the last day on which such rates were fixed preceding the day of the transactions.
	The values of the prices determined pursuant to this Article shall be rounded to the nearest tick of the same financial instrument.
Sec. 650	Determination of the fee for handling errors
	<b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall use the following formula to determine the fee referred to rule 6029:
650.1	$C = 50 \times N_{cp} + 10 \times N_{ct}$
	where:
	C = the fee in euro;
	$N_{cp}$ = the number of counterparties involved in the contracts affected by the procedure;
	$N_{ct}$ = the number of contracts considered in the calculation, set equal to 0 where the number of contracts affected by the procedure is less than or equal to 50 and to the number in excess of 50 where the number of contracts affected by the procedure is more than 50.
	The fee may not be less than 1000 euro or more than 2,500 euro.

### Handling of technical breakdowns

G	6040		<i>Inter alia</i> with the aim of ensuring equal access to the market by approved intermediaries in conditions of adequate transparency, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> :
	6	6040.1	shall establish in the guidance the procedures for handling technical breakdowns of electronic data processing equipment and transmission networks, and lay down objective criteria for carrying out the procedures, determining the downtime, the time at which trading is to start again and any extension of trading hours;
	6	6040.2	may order the temporary suspension of trading where technical breakdowns affect a significant number of approved intermediaries
	6	6040.3	shall inform the market of the measures adopted in accordance with this rule where they impinge on approved intermediaries' operations or the trading of <b>SeDeX</b> financial instruments.

Sec. 660	Guidance to Rule: <u>Handling of technical breakdowns</u>
660.1	<ul> <li>In monitoring the operation of the technical equipment and transmission networks of the electronic data processing and telecommunication systems referred to in rule 6001.5, Borsa Italiana shall continuously verify:</li> <li>a) approved intermediaries' operational and informational links to the market;</li> <li>b) the working of the electronic data processing equipment and telecommunication networks for the provision of trading support services, the dissemination of information and the daily checking and correction of contracts;</li> <li>c) the regular operation of the different market phases in accordance with the procedures and timetables prescribed.</li> </ul>
660.2	<ul> <li>Where the controls reveal anomalies involving a significant number of approved intermediaries, Borsa Italiana may adopt one of the following measures for an individual SeDeX financial instrument:</li> <li>a) prolong or postpone one or more market phases;</li> <li>b) suspend one or more market phases;</li> <li>c) prolong the session;</li> <li>d) close the session early.</li> </ul>
660.3	<ul> <li>Borsa Italiana shall also assess the significance of the number of approved intermediaries affected by technical breakdowns referred to in rule 6040.2 in relation to:</li> <li>a) the nature of the breakdowns and the operational limitations (access or information) observed;</li> <li>b) the procedures for connecting the approved intermediaries affected to the market;</li> <li>c) the fact that the breakdowns concerned all or part of the technical resources available to approved intermediaries;</li> <li>d) the market share of the approved intermediaries affected.</li> </ul>
660.4	The duration of the suspensions and postponements referred to in guidance sec 660.2 shall be fixed in a transparent manner and in a way that allows a significant number of approved intermediaries to assess their contractual positions and re- establish regular connections with the market.
660.5	<ul> <li>Trading may be restarted:</li> <li>a) with a phase which permits approved intermediaries to annul unexecuted orders they had entered in the market before the suspension.</li> <li>b) with the auction method;</li> <li>c) with the continuous trading procedure.</li> </ul>

# **COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES**

### Measures against market intermediaries and issuers

C010	Without prejudice to rule 1021, where there is a violation of these rules or the accompanying guidance, including the case of <b>issuers</b> or market intermediaries hindering the verification activity referred to in rule 1210, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> may apply one or more of the following measures against the <b>issuers</b> or the market intermediaries in question:
C010	1 a written warning to observe the Rules and accompanying guidance;
C010	2 a written censure;
C010	3 a fine of between 5,000 and 500.000 euros;
C010	4 suspension from trading in the market;
C010	5 exclusion from trading in the market.
C011	The measures provided for in the rules, C010.4 and C010.5 may be made public as described in Rule C040. Measures provided in the previous rules C010.1, C010.2 and

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C012	In order to adopt the measures referred to in the rule C010, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall take the following criteria into account:
C01	2.1 the actual and potential impact on the market and the external importance of the violation and the impact on the <b>issuer</b> 's economic and financial situation;
C01	2.2 the size, duration and nature of the violation;
C01	2.3 how <b>Borsa Italiana</b> became aware of the violation;
C01	2.4 the benefits accrued by the <b>issuer</b> or market <b>intermediary</b> from the violation;
C01	2.5 The <b>issuer</b> 's or market <b>intermediary</b> 's reaction to <b>Borsa Italiana</b> 's requests and its actual and previous behavior;
C01	2.6 magnitude of fraud and negligence;
C01	2.7 functioning of system used for internal control and prevention of violations;

	C012.8	numbers and magnitude of violations previously committed by the same <u>i</u> ssuer or market <b>intermediary</b> ;
	C012.9	size of the <b>issuer</b> or market <b>intermediary</b> and of the group it belongs to;
	C012.10	the cases in which various provisions are breached or the same provision is breached more than once.
C013		Where there is a violation of quotation obligations by <b>specialists</b> , <b>Borsa Italiana</b> may initiate the procedure referred to in rule C020.
C014		Where a measure of suspension or exclusion from trading is adopted, from the time such measure takes effect the market <b>intermediary</b> to which it is applied shall only be permitted, under the surveillance of <b>Borsa Italiana</b> , to close out any positions still open and carry out any related transactions that are necessary to protect customers' interests.
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C015		The use to which fines are put shall be established on a general basis by <b>Borsa Italiana</b> in an ad hoc measure communicated to <b>Consob</b> and published in a <b>Notice</b> .

C016	In force from the 3 January 2018
	In derogation to the provision at article C010, in the case of breach of the provisions of articles 1400.5 and 4021, and the obligations contained in the guidance sec 401, Borsa Italiana shall apply the written notice, the communication to the public of the failure to comply with obligations and reporting to the Authorities. Articles from C020 to C050 shall not apply.

### Procedure for verifying violations

C020		In order to apply the measures referred to in rule C010, the procedure described in this rule shall be initiated within one year of the presumed violation or of the later date on which <b>Borsa Italiana</b> learned of the presumed violation. In the latter case the procedure described in this rule may not be initiated after three years have elapsed from the date of the presumed violation.
C021		For the purpose of applying the measure referred to in rule C010.2, C010.3, C010.4 and C010.5, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> sends the <b>issuer</b> or the market <b>intermediary</b> concerned a notification:
	C021.1	containing a description of the alleged violation
	C021.2	setting a time limit of not less than 15 days within which a written brief may be submitted and possibly a request for a hearing in which to examine the question jointly.
C022		The notification referred to in rule C021 may indicate the measure <b>Borsa Italiana</b> intends to apply. In such case, if the time limit referred to in rule C021.2 expires without the <b>issuer</b> or the market <b>intermediary</b> having submitted a written brief or requested a hearing, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall apply the measure indicated in the notification.
C023		If the <b>issuer</b> or the market <b>intermediary</b> requests a hearing in which to examine the question jointly or if <b>Borsa Italiana</b> considers such a hearing to be necessary, <b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall establish the date for the hearing and inform the <b>issuer</b> or the market <b>intermediary</b> accordingly. The <b>issuer</b> or the market <b>intermediary</b> shall be represented in the meeting either by its legal representative or by a person appointed for the

purpose, being allowed to be assisted by a lawyer of its choice. If the market **intermediary** fails to attend the hearing without due cause, **Borsa Italiana** shall proceed on the basis of the evidence collected up to that time. At the end of the hearing, at the request of the interested party, **Borsa Italiana** may set a new time limit of not less than 10 days for the submission of another written brief.

C024 On the basis of the evidence collected as part of the procedure, **Borsa Italiana** shall decide within 45 days of the hearing or the subsequent expiry of the time limit for the submission of another written brief as provided for rule C023, or if no such hearing is requested or scheduled by **Borsa Italiana**, within 45 days of the expiry of the time limit set pursuant rule C021.2.

C025 Decisions adopted pursuant to the preceding rule C024 shall be promptly notified to the interested party giving the reasons for the decision. If one of the measures referred to in rule C010 is applied, the costs of the procedure and in particular those in relation to the examination of the written briefs submitted and the hearings requested, determined on a flat-rate basis in accordance with the provisions of rule 1300, shall be charged to the market **intermediary** or to the **issuer**.

### Rewiev of measures

C030	The issuer or the market intermediary may ask for the review of the measure applied
	pursuant to rule 1021 and rule C010 within 15 days of the notification referred to in
	respectively rule 1021.7, and rule C025 by means petition to the Appeals Board
	established pursuant to C090.

C031 For the measure referred to in rule C010.1, the 15 days run from the moment in which the decision is notified to the interested party.

#### Disclosure to the public of measures

C040	Applications of the measures referred to in rule C010 shall be made public in <b>Notices</b> or via the electronic trading support systems after 15 days have elapsed from the notification of the measure to the interested party without the question being referred to the Appeals Board or, where it has been so referred, after 10 days have elapsed from
	the notification of the Appeals Board's decision to the parties.

C041	At the request of the issuer or the market intermediary, the complete text of the
	measure shall be made public, possibly together with all the acts of the proceedings,
	including the decisions of the Appeals Board.

### Suspension of time limits

C050	The time limits referred to in this Title shall be suspended from 1 August to 31 August of
	each year.

### Jurisdiction

C060	These rules, the accompanying guidance and any other provisions concerning the
	operation of market and services and subsequent amendments shall be governed by
	the laws of Italy.

### Disputes submitted to the courts

C070	Disputes concerning the fees referred to in rule 1300 and 1451, and the amounts
	referred to in guidance sec 650 referring to fees payable by intermediaries where
	due, shall be heard exclusively by Italian judges and the competent court shall be
	exclusively the Court of Milan.

	Other disputes
C080	Any dispute other than those referred to in rule C070 caused by or deriving from these rules, the accompanying guidance or any other provisions concerning the operation or market and subsequent amendments shall be settled finally by a Board of Arbitration set up in accordance with rule C100.
C081	Prior recourse to the Appeals Board procedure referred to in rule C090 shall be a necessary condition for initiating the arbitration procedure
	Appeals Board
C090	The Appeals Board shall be composed of three members appointed by the Board or Directors of <b>Borsa Italiana</b> , which shall also appoint one of the members to be the chairman. The seat of the Appeals Board shall be at <b>Borsa Italiana</b> .
C091	The members of the Appeals Board shall be chosen from among independent person of proven expertise in matters concerning financial markets.
C092	The appointment shall be for three years and may be renewed. Where one of the members vacates the position before the termination of the appointment, the Board of Directors of <b>Borsa Italiana</b> shall appoint a substitute; such appointment shall last unt the termination of the appointments of the other members of the Appeals Board.
C093	The decisions of the Appeals Board shall be adopted in accordance with law allowin debate within 30 days of the date of the petition for review referred to in rule C030 an C031 and shall be promptly notified to the parties. The language of the proceeding shall be the Italian language.
C094	In agreement with the other members of the Board, the chairman may assign a questio to a single member of the Board.
C095	The decisions of the Appeals Board shall not be binding on the parties and where on of the parties initiates arbitration pursuant to rule C100, they shall not be binding on the arbitrators, who shall have the broadest prerogatives and powers to re-examine th entire dispute without any preclusion.
C096	The fees of the members of the Appeals Board shall be borne by the losing party.
	Board of Arbitration
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	C100.1	the party that initiates the arbitration procedure shall send an instrument to the other party in which it:
		declares its intention of initiating the arbitration procedure;
		<ul> <li>indicates the subject of the case;</li> <li>designates its arbitrator;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>invites the other party to designate its arbitrator;</li> </ul>
	C100.2	the party that receives the invitation referred to in rule C100.1 shall designate its arbitrator within 20 days of receiving the notice; in the event of its omitting to do so, the second paragraph of Article 810 of the Code of Civil Procedure shall apply;
	C100.3	the third arbitrator, who shall act as Chairman of the Board of Arbitration, shall be

	appointed consensually by the arbitrators referred to in rule C100.1 and C100.2; where they fail to agree within 20 days, the third arbitrator shall be appointed by the Chairman of the Milan Court.
C101	The arbitration proceedings thus instituted shall be ritual and shall comply with the provisions of the Italian Code of Civil Procedure. The procedure must be initiated, on pain of debarment from action, within 60 days of the notification referred to in rule C093. The dispute shall be settled in accordance with the provisions of Italian law and the language of the arbitration proceedings shall be the Italian language.
C102	The seat of the Board of Arbitration shall be in Milan in the place designated by its Chairman.



