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## 1.0 Introduction

This document describes the main features of BCS API library (GKAPI). It is to be used in conjunction with the BCS API Data Layouts document in order to have an overview of how to interface the BCS Clearing system using the BCS API libraries.

The BCS API library provides developers with a set of callback functions which allows third party applications to correctly interface toward the BCS Clearing system, managing connections, transactions, subscriptions and notifications. It also defines operation types (Connect, Submit, Subscribe, etc.) and response types (CallBackConnect, CallBackSubscribe, CallBackData, etc...).

The BCS API library:

- is a thread-safe library;
- allows connections to the BCS Clearing System through one or more application servers;
- implements a proprietary protocol to exchange application data messages; it maintains a live connection until the client disconnection has been requested;
- manages configurable application windows;
- monitors the TCP/IP connection and alerts when connectivity problems arise;
- traces all working activities;

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## 2.0 Connection to the BCS Clearing system

In order to properly connect to the BCS Clearing System, a set of technical callback functions should be used. The following steps need to be executed before sending/receiving data:

- Initialize: this allows to initialize the BCS API library;
- Create Context: this allows to establish a physical connection to the specified application server of the BCS Clearing system; the Context Id returned by the callback should be used as an input parameter in any request sent to the system (Submit, Inquire, Subscribe, UnSubscribe, ...);
- Start a dedicated thread to manage Dispatch: this allows to handle callbacks as soon as an event raises; a thread should be created for each working context;
- Connect: this allows to start a communication session to the BCS Clearing system;
- Create Transaction: this allows to get a Transaction Id which has to be used in every Submit sent to the BCS Clearing system; if the system is still processing a submit request, it will reject any other submit request using the same Transaction Id, whereas it will accept requests with different Transaction Ids (previously received with a Create Transaction);

The following steps have to be executed in order to properly disconnect from the BCS Clearing system:

- Destroy Transaction: this allows to release all internal structures set up by the CreateTransaction function;
- Disconnect: this allows to disconnect from the BCS Clearing system;
- Release Context: this allows to release/destroy a working context;
- Terminate: this allows to release the BCS API library;

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## 3.0 Configuration file

The BCS API library configuration file (GKApi.cfg) allows to define:

- the keep-alive message frequency;
- the application windows size;
- the application servers of the BCS Clearing system the BCS library should connect to;

The configuration file structure is defined as follows:

```
[GENERIC_SETTINGS]
TRACE_FILE=.\\GKApi.log // Application messages trace output file.
TRACE_LEVEL=ERR // ERR,WRN,INF,DBG
MESSAGES_FILE=.\\GKMessages.cfg // Configuration file which contains
// debugging messages
CALLBACK_QUEUE_SIZE=1024 // Maximum number of queued call-backs
MAX_NUMBER_OF_CONTEXT=512 // Maximum number of contexts that can be
// created and used at the same time (this value
// depends on the number of available sockets)

[GATEMARKET_SERVERS]
SERVER_LIST=METAMARKET01;METAMARKET02
// List of available application servers

[METAMARKET01]
TCP_IP= 213.92.93.177
TCP_PORT= 34900
KEEPALIVE_TIMEOUT=30 // Expressed in seconds
APPLICATION_WINDOW_SIZE=20000
// Maximum number of pending requests that can
// be managed at the same time for the current
// context.
TRACE_LEVEL=DBG // ERR,WRN,INF,DBG
TRANSACTION_BUFFER_SIZE=20000
// Maximum number of parallel transactions to be
// preallocated and used by the GK-API.
// If exceeded, new resources will be allocated
// upon request
SUBSCRIPTION_BUFFER_SIZE=20000
// Maximum number of parallel subscriptions to
// be preallocated and used by the GK-API.
// If exceeded, new resources will be allocated
```



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```
INQUIRE_BUFFER_SIZE=20000 // upon request
                             // Maximum number of parallel inquiries to be
                             // preallocated and used by the GK-API.
                             // If exceeded, new resources will be allocated
                             // upon request
TCP_BUFFER_SIZE=30000      // Maximum I/O buffer size expressed in bytes.

[METAMARKET02]
TCP_IP=213.92.93.178
TCP_PORT=34900
KEEPALIVE_TIMEOUT=30      // Expressed in seconds
APPLICATION_WINDOW_SIZE=20000
                             // Maximum number of pending requests that can
                             // be managed at the same time for the current
                             // context.

TRACE_LEVEL=DBG           // ERR,WRN,INF,DBG
TRANSACTION_BUFFER_SIZE=20000
                             // Maximum number of parallel transactions to be
                             // preallocated and used by the GK-API.
                             // If exceeded, new resources will be allocated
                             // upon request
SUBSCRIPTION_BUFFER_SIZE=20000
                             // Maximum number of parallel subscriptions to
                             // be preallocated and used by the GK-API.
                             // If exceeded, new resources will be allocated
                             // upon request
INQUIRE_BUFFER_SIZE=20000 // Maximum number of parallel inquiries to be
                             // preallocated and used by the GK-API.
                             // If exceeded, new resources will be allocated
                             // upon request
TCP_BUFFER_SIZE=30000      // Maximum I/O buffer size expressed in bytes.
```

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## 4.0 Type definitions

The BCS API library manages the following data types:

- `GK_Reply_t` Reply code from each protocol session
- `GK_MarketReply_t` Reply structure to handle returned events from previous requests
- `GK_ClassType_t` Application data layout type
- `GK_Status_t` Connection status types
- `GK_Chain_t` Types for controlling chains for snapshot information
- `GK_ApplicationData_t` Type structure which contains application data to be sent
- `GK_Callback_t` Call-back generic structure
- `GK_Tag_t` User Tag returned by each call-back; (void\*)
- `GK_Data_t` Application data handle (long)
- `GK_Transaction_t` Transaction identifier (long)
- `GK_Subscription_t` Subscription identifier (long)
- `GK_Inquire_t` Inquire identifier (long)
- `GK_Context_t` Connection session identifier
- `GK_Connection_t` Identifier of a communication channel with an application server. It is a socket corresponding to connection on a context
- `GK_Notification_t` Call-back notification types
- `GK_Byte_t` Data type used for buffers containing binary data
- `GK_Length_t` Data buffer's size
- `GK_UnzipHelper_t` Internal structure used to unzip binary compressed data

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## 4.1 GK\_Reply\_t

Contains return code coming back from a protocol session. It is an enumerated type and may assume the following values:

• GK_SUCCESS	Request successfully completed
• GK_FAILED	Generic error. Usually returned by all functions that extract data from call-backs
• GK_INVALID_CONFIG_FILE	Configuration file not valid
• GK_INVALID_SERVER	Application server not valid
• GK_INVALID_HANDLE	Handle not valid
• GK_API_ERROR	Internal API error
• GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	API not initialized
• GK_API_ALREADY_INITIALIZED	API already initialized
• GK_INVALID_CONTEXT	Market context not valid
• GK_SERVER_UNREACHABLE	Application server not reachable
• GK_INVALID_TRANSACTIONID	Request refused. Transaction identifier not valid
• GK_INVALID_SUBSCRIPTIONID	Request refused. Subscription identifier not valid
• GK_COMMAND_ON_GOING	Request refused. Request of the same type is still on going
• GK_TYPE_MISMATCH	Attempting to read -a field using a wrong field-type.
• GK_CONTEXT_BUSY	Context is busy whenever it is trying to connect to a context already in use
• GK_MISSING_CONNECTION	A request has been sent before establishing a connection
• GK_OVERLOAD	The application window is full. The client application must wait for the completion of some previously issued requests before sending a new one
• GK_INVALID_PARAMETER	Request refused. One or more supplied parameters are null or invalid.
• GK_DATA_ERROR	Request refused. Supplied data are invalid or corrupted.

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- **GK\_MORE\_OUTPUT\_AVAILABLE** Request successfully completed. More output space have to be provided to complete the whole operation.
- **GK\_MORE\_INPUT\_NEEDED** Request successfully completed. More input data are required to complete the whole operation.

## 4.2 GK\_MarketReply\_t

Contains return codes from a market gateway or clearing house system. It is an enumerated type and may assume the following values:

- **GK\_REQUEST\_ACCEPTED** Request accepted
- **GK\_REQUEST\_REJECTED** Request refused. Generic Error
- **GK\_REQUEST\_WARNING** Request has been accepted but a warning situation arises (e.g one of the contexts is not connected)
- **GK\_ALREADY\_CONNECTED** Connection already established
- **GK\_INVALID\_MARKET** Request refused. Market name is invalid
- **GK\_INVALID\_CLASS** Request refused. Class name is invalid
- **GK\_NO\_MARKET\_CONTEXT** Request refused. Connection has not been established
- **GK\_INVALID\_FIELD** Request refused. One of the class fields is invalid
- **GK\_REQUEST\_ON\_GOING** Request refused. A request of the same type is already pending
- **GK\_LICENCE\_ERROR** Maximum number of connections reached
- **GK\_PROPOSAL\_ALREADY\_EXISTS** A proposal on the same transaction already exists
- **GK\_PROPOSAL\_NOT\_EXISTS** A proposal on the transaction does not exist
- **GK\_INVALID\_PROPOSAL\_KEY** Invalid proposal referenced
- **GK\_MISSING\_FIELD\_VALUE** Mandatory field not set
- **GK\_ACCESS\_DENIED** User authentication completed unsuccessfully
- **GK\_INSUFFICIENT\_PRIVILEGES** Insufficient privileges

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- `GK_WRONG_FIELD_VALUE` A field contains a wrong value (e.g. Side field is different from Buy and Sell)
- `GK_SERVER_NOT_AVAILABLE` Application server unreachable
- `GK_NOT_CONNECTED` Request refused. Connection not established
- `GK_WRONG_PARAMETER` Request refused. Some parameters are wrong (e.g. parameter non allocated, etc.)
- `GK_TIMED_OUT` Request refused. Client has been disconnected due to keep-alive timeout

## 4.3 `GK_ClassType_t`

Defines a class type and is an enumerated type and may assume the following values:

- `GK_META_CLASS` Meta-market application data layout, i.e. class type used for a market class that merges all differences among different market class into a single class
- `GK_MARKET_CLASS` Native market application data layout

## 4.4 `GK_Status_t`

Defines a market connection status. It is an enumerated type and may assume the following values:

- `GK_CONNECTION_UP` Connection is active
- `GK_CONNECTION_DOWN` Connection is broken
- `GK_CONNECTION_WARNING` Applicable to `OnMarketStatus` event only: this means that not all connections are active. Depending on the market, it means that the bandwidth is being reduced or, alternatively, that interaction with the market can be seriously damaged
- `GK_SERVER_DOWN` Connection lost from application server

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## 4.5 GK\_Chain\_t

Defines a chain type of snapshot data coming from events. It is an enumerated type and may assume the following values:

- |                     |                              |
|---------------------|------------------------------|
| • GK_CHAIN_CONTINUE | New snapshot data can arrive |
| • GK_CHAIN_END      | Snapshot data are ended      |
| • GK_CHAIN_NO_DATA  | Snapshot data not available  |

## 4.6 GK\_Notification\_t

Defines notification types of call-backs. It is an enumerated type and may assume the following values:

- GK\_MARKET\_STATUS\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_CONNECTION\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_DISCONNECTION\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_TRANSACTION\_STATUS\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_SUBSCRIPTION\_STATUS\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_SUBMIT\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_SUBSCRIBE\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_UNSUBSCRIBE\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_INQUIRE\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_NOTIFY\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_INQUIRE\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_SET\_NOTIFICATION\_PERIOD\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_BINARY\_INQUIRE\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION

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## 4.7 GK\_ApplicationData\_t

Defines the template of application messages to be sent to a market or clearing house system.

```
typedef GK_ApplicationData_t
(
    GK_ClassType_t classType,
    const char* className,
    const char* data
)
```

Fields can have the following values:

Type	Property Name	Description
GK_ClassType_t	ClassType	Class type or application data layout type (meta-market or market class)
const char*	ClassName	Class name
const char*	Data	Data layout in the format field=value

## 4.8 GK\_Callback\_t

Defines the template of call-backs.

```
typedef void (*GK_Callback_t)
(
    GK_Context_t context,    // Context who did generate the event
    GK_Data_tgkData,        // Data Handle
    GK_Tag_t gkTag           // User Tag
)
```

## 4.9 GK\_Tag\_t

The user can assign a tag to each request. The call-back will return it to the caller.

```
typedef const void * GK_Tag_t;
```

## 4.10 GK\_Data\_t

Data handle returned by the call-back. It can be used to find data coming from the call-back itself.

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```
typedef long          GK_Data_t;
```

## 4.11 GK\_Transaction\_t

Transaction Id. This value has to be used in every Submit sent to the BCS Clearing system; if the system is still processing a submit request, it will reject any other submit request using the same Transaction Id, whereas it will accept requests with different Transaction Ids (previously received with a Create Transaction).

```
typedef long          GK_Transaction_t;
```

## 4.12 GK\_Subscription\_t

Subscription Id. This value identifies a Subscription sent to the BCS Clearing system.

```
typedef long          GK_Subscription_t;
```

## 4.13 GK\_Inquire\_t

Inquiry Id. This value identifies an Inquire sent to the BCS Clearing system.

```
typedef long          GK_Inquire_t;
```

## 4.14 GK\_Context\_t

Context Id. This value has to be used as an input parameter in any request sent to the system.

```
typedef long          GK_Context_t;
```

## 4.15 GK\_Connection\_t

Connection Id. This value identifies a socket connection to an application server. The client application must use it in the 'select' function to handle asynchronous events.

```
typedef int           GK_Connection_t;
```

## 4.16 GK\_Length\_t

Data buffer's size. Given a pointer to a data buffer, it defines how many elements of the buffer are significant starting from the element pointed to.

```
typedef unsigned int  GK_Length_t;
```



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## 4.17 GK\_Byte\_t

Data type used for binary data buffers. It defines the data type of buffer elements used to store binary data.

```
typedef unsigned char GK_Byte_t;
```

## 4.18 GK\_UnzipHelper\_t

Structure used to unzip binary compressed data. It is managed internally by the GK-API.

```
typedef void* GK_UnzipHelper_t;
```

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## 5.0 Main callback functions

The following sections describe all the BCS API callback functions.

### 5.1 GK\_Initialize

<i>GK_Reply_t</i>	<b><i>GK_Initialize</i></b> ( <i>const char*</i> ConfigFile);	
Parameters	ConfigFile	Pathname of the file which contains configuration parameters for the GK-API
Return values	GK_SUCCESS	Initialization has been successfully completed
	GK_INVALID_CONFIG_FILE	Initialization failure. Configuration file not found or corrupted
	GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
	GK_API_ALREADY_INITIALIZED	GK-API already initialized
	GK_INVALID_PARAMETER	ConfigFile is null
Description	This function must be called before any other GK-API function in order to initialize the GK-API library.	

### 5.2 GK\_Terminate

<i>GK_Reply_t</i>	<b><i>GK_Terminate</i></b> ();	
Parameters	none	
Return values	GK_SUCCESS	Initialization has been successfully completed
	GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	API not initialized
Description	This function must be called in order to release the GK-API library.	

### 5.3 GK\_CreateContext

<i>GK_Reply_t</i>	<b><i>GK_CreateContext</i></b> ( <i>const char*</i> serverName, <i>GK_Context_t*</i> pContext, <i>GK_Connection_t*</i> pConnection);	
Parameters	<b>serverName</b>	Name of the application server through which connection must be set up (one from the list in SERVER_LIST in the configuration file)
	<b>pContext</b>	Working context identifier returned by the GK-API

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	<b>pConnection</b>	Identifier of a socket connection to the application server. The client application must use it in 'select' function to handle asynchronous events
Return values	GK_SUCCESS GK_API_ERROR GK_INVALID_SERVER GK_SERVER_UNREACHABLE GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED GK_INVALID_PARAMETER	Context available, socket connection established Internal error Application server name invalid (check if it is present in the configuration file) Server unreachable GK-API not initialized At least one of <i>serverName</i> , <i>pContext</i> or <i>pConnection</i> is <i>null</i>
Description	This function must be called to establish a physical connection to the specified application server. A Context Id is returned. This identifier must be used in any other request sent to the BCS Clearing system (i.e. Submit, Inquire, Subscribe, UnSubscribe, ...). It is possible to create more than one context.	

## 5.4 GK\_Dispatch

<i>GK_Reply_t</i>	<b><i>GK_Dispatch</i></b> ( <i>GK_Context_t context</i> );	
Parameters	<b>context</b>	Working context identifier
Return values	GK_SUCCESS GK_API_ERROR GK_INVALID_CONTEXT GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	Dispatch successfully completed Internal error Context not valid API not initialized
Description	This function is used to handle callbacks. <i>GK_Dispatch</i> must be called as soon as an event raises from the working context. For this purpose, before calling <i>GK_Dispatch</i> , call "select" API on the socket returned by <i>GK_CreateContext</i> using a positive timeout values (i.e. not zero; usual timeout value is 5 seconds). Moreover, it is recommended to call <i>GK_Dispatch</i> using a dedicated thread, one for each working context.	

## 5.5 GK\_ReleaseContext

<i>GK_Reply_t</i>	<b><i>GK_ReleaseContext</i></b> ( <i>GK_Context_t context</i> );	
Parameters	<b>context</b>	Working context identifier
Return	GK_SUCCESS	Context successfully released.

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values:	GK_API_ERROR	GK-API not initialized or internal error
	GK_INVALID_CONTEXT	Context not valid
	GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized
Description	This function must be called to release/destroy a working context.	

## 5.6 GK\_Connect

<i>GK_Reply_t</i>	<b>GK_Connect</b> ( <i>GK_Context_t</i> context, <i>const char*</i> userName, <i>const char*</i> password, <i>const char*</i> market, <i>GK_Callback_t</i> pCallbackResponse, <i>GK_Callback_t</i> pCallbackMarketStatus, <i>GK_Tag_t</i> gkTag)	
Parameters	<b>context</b> <b>userName</b> <b>password</b> <b>market</b> <b>pCallbackResponse</b> <b>pCallbackMarketStatus</b> <b>gkTag</b>	Active context identifier through which a connection must be performed. Name of the user requiring the connection Password of the user requiring the connection. Market or Clearing House name to which a connection is requested (e.g. MTA, CCG, ...) Callback to handle a notification event for the related request. Callback to handle a notification event for the connection status User tag returned by the callback
Return values:	GK_SUCCESS GK_API_ERROR GK_INVALID_CONTEXT GK_SERVER_UNREACHABLE GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED GK_COMMAND_ON_GOING  GK_CONTEXT_BUSY GK_INVALID_PARAMETER	Connection request successfully executed Internal error Context is not valid Server unreachable API not initialized A connection request is still on going and a notification event for the previous request must be received Context is already in use (a connection on the context is already in place) At least one of <i>userName</i> , <i>password</i> or <i>market</i> is null or too long  <i>from pCallbackResponse</i>

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GK_REQUEST_ACCEPTED	Connection accepted
GK_REQUEST_REJECTED	Connection refused
GK_ALREADY_CONNECTED	Connection already in place
GK_INVALID_MARKET	MarketName is invalid
GK_ACCESS_DENIED	Unknown user
GK_LICENCE_ERROR	Maximum number of concurrent connections exceeded
GK_INSUFFICIENT_PRIVILEGES	User cannot connect to the specified market

from *pCallbackMarketStatus*

## GK\_MARKET\_STATUS\_NOTIFICATION

- GK\_CONNECTION\_UP All connections are active
- GK\_CONNECTION\_WARNIN G At least one connection is active, while one or more other connections can be down
- GK\_CONNECTION\_DOWN No connection is active
- GK\_SERVER\_DOWN Application server not reachable

## GK\_TRANSACTION\_STATUS\_NOTIFICATION

- GK\_CONNECTION\_UP Transaction is active
- GK\_CONNECTION\_DOWN Transaction is not active

## GK\_SUBSCRIPTION\_STATUS\_NOTIFICATION

- GK\_CONNECTION\_UP Subscription is active
- GK\_CONNECTION\_DOWN Subscription is not active

Description This function must be invoked to establish a connection to the BCS Clearing system.

## 5.7 GK\_Disconnect

*GK\_Reply\_t* **GK\_Disconnect** (*GK\_Context\_t* context,  
*GK\_Callback\_t* pCallbackResponse,  
*GK\_Tag\_t* gkTag);

Parameters:	<b>context</b> <b>pCallbackResponse</b> <b>gkTag</b>	Context identifier Call-back for request notification User tag returned by the call-back
Return values:	GK_SUCCESS  GK_API_ERROR GK_INVALID_CONTEXT GK_SERVER_UNREACHABLE GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	Disconnection successfully completed  Internal error Context is not valid Server unreachable API not initialized

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	<i>from pCallbackResponse</i> GK_REQUEST_ACCEPTED GK_REQUEST_REJECTED GK_NOT_CONNECTED	Connection accepted Connection refused Connection not existing
Description	This function must be invoked to release a connection to the BCS Clearing system.	

## 5.8 GK\_CreateTransaction

<i>GK_Reply_t</i>	<b><i>GK_CreateTransaction</i></b> ( <i>GK_Context_t</i> context, <i>GK_Transaction_t*</i> pTransactionID);	
Parameters:	<b>context</b> <b>pTransactionID</b>	Context identifier Transaction identifier returned by the function
Return values	GK_SUCCESS  GK_INVALID_CONTEXT GK_API_ERROR GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED GK_INVALID_PARAMETER	Transaction creation successfully completed Context is not valid Internal error GK-API not initialized <i>pTransactionID</i> is null
Description:	This function must be invoked in order to create a transaction within the BCS Clearing system. A transaction is a physical connection between the client and the BCS Clearing system which allows handling fault detection and load balancing. The Transaction Id returned by this function has to be used in every Submit sent to the BCS Clearing system; if the system is still processing a submit request, it will reject any other submit request using the same Transaction Id, whereas it will accept requests with different Transaction Ids (previously received with a Create Transaction).	

## 5.9 GK\_DestroyTransaction

<i>GK_Reply_t</i>	<b><i>GK_DestroyTransaction</i></b> ( <i>GK_Context_t</i> context, <i>GK_Transaction_t</i> transactionID);	
Parameters:	<b>context</b> <b>transactionID</b>	Context identifier Transaction identifier
Return values	GK_SUCCESS  GK_INVALID_TRANSACTIONID GK_INVALID_CONTEXT	Destroy transaction successfully completed Transaction identifier is not valid Context not valid

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GK_REQUEST_ONGOING	A previous submit operation on the same transaction identifier is still on going
GK_PROPOSAL_ALREADY_EXISTS	A proposal belonging to the specified transaction identifier already exists
GK_PROPOSAL_NOT_EXISTS	A proposal belonging to the specified transaction identifier does not exist
GK_INVALID_PROPOSAL_KEY	Invalid proposal referenced
GK_MISSING_FIELD_VALUE	Mandatory Field is emptymissing
GK_INVALID_CLASS	Class not valid
GK_NOT_CONNECTED	Connection in not in place
GK_INVALID_TRANSACTIONID	Transaction identifier is not valid

Description: This function must be invoked to send a Submit data structure to the BCS Clearing system. If this message will be accepted, a callback will be fired. if the system is still processing a submit request, it will reject any other submit request using the same Transaction Id, whereas it will accept requests with different Transaction Ids (previously received with a Create Transaction).

## 5.11 GK\_Subscribe

*GK\_Reply\_t* **GK\_Subscribe** (*GK\_Context\_t* context,  
*GK\_ApplicationData\_t\** applicationData,  
*GK\_Callback\_t* pCallbackResponse,  
*GK\_Callback\_t* pCallbackData,  
*GK\_Tag\_t* gkTag,  
*GK\_Subscription\_t\** pSubscriptionID);

Parameters: **context** Context identifier  
**applicationData** Application Data layout to be executed. It can be built using proper functions (see below)  
**pCallbackResponse** Call-back to handle a notification event for that request.  
**pCallbackData** Call-back to handle a notification event containing returned data.  
**gkTag** User tag returned by the call-back  
**pSubscriptionID** Unique identifier for the requested subscription

Return values GK\_SUCCESS Subscription request successfully executed  
GK\_INVALID\_CONTEXT Context not valid  
GK\_API\_ERROR Internal error  
GK\_INVALID\_SUBSCRIPTIONID Transaction identifier is not valid  
GK\_API\_NOT\_INITIALIZED GK-API not initialized  
GK\_SERVER\_UNREACHABLE Server unreachable



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**Description:** This function must be invoked to remove an active subscription. Subscriptions are not removed when a client application logs off via the GK\_Disconnect function.

### 5.13 GK\_Inquire

```

GK_Reply_t      GK_Inquire (GK_Context_t context,
                           GK_ApplicationData_t* applicationData,
                           GK_Callback_t pCallbackResponse,
                           GK_Callback_t pCallbackData,
                           GK_Tag_t gkTag;
                           GK_Inquire t* pInquiryID);

```

Parameters:	<b>context</b>	Context identifier
	<b>applicationData</b>	Application Data layout to be executed. It can be built using proper functions (see below)
	<b>pCallbackResponse</b>	Call-back to handle a notification event for that request.
	<b>pCallbackData</b>	Call-back to handle a notification event containing returned data.
	<b>gkTag</b>	User tag returned by the call-back
	<b>pInquiryID</b>	Unique identifier for the requested inquiry

Return values	GK_SUCCESS	Inquire request successfully executed
	GK_INVALID_CONTEXT	Context not valid
	GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
	GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	API not initialized
	GK_SERVER_UNREACHABLE	Server unreachable
	GK_OVERLOAD	Application window is exhausted. The caller must wait for completion of some previous accepted requests

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GK_INVALID_PARAMETER	At least one of <i>applicationData</i> or <i>plnquiryID</i> is null
<i>from pCallbackResponse</i>	
GK_REQUEST_ACCEPTED	Connection accepted
GK_REQUEST_REJECTED	Connection refused
GK_REQUEST_WARNING	Request accepted with some specified warnings
GK_NO_MARKET_CONTEXT	The market or clearing house context is not available
GK_INVALID_FIELD	The specified field name is invalid
GK_MISSING_FIELD_VALUE	Mandatory field is empty
GK_INVALID_CLASS	Class not valid
GK_NOT_CONNECTED	Connection has not been set
GK_REQUEST_ONGOING	A previous inquiry operation on the same transaction identifier is still on going
GK_WRONG_PARAM	Wrong parameters passed

Description: This function must be invoked to send an Inquire data structure to the BCS Clearing system.

## 5.14 GK\_GetVersion

<i>GK_Reply_t</i>	<b>GK_GetVersion</b> ( <i>char** company,</i> <i>char** version,</i> <i>char** creationDate,</i> <i>char** comment</i> );	
Parameters	<b>company</b> <b>version</b> <b>creationDate</b> <b>comment</b>	Company that distributes the GK-API Version Identifier Creation date Any comment
Return values:	GK_SUCCESS GK_API_ERROR	Request successfully executed Internal error
Description	This function must be invoked in order to know the current GK-API version. The output parameters are allocated by the library and they must be released by the client application using the GK_FreeString() function.	

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## 5.15 GK\_ConnectEx

*GK\_Reply\_t*

**GK\_ConnectEx** (*GK\_Context\_t* context,  
*const char\** userName,  
*const char\** password,  
*const char\** market,  
*const char\** ClientIP,  
*const char\** ClientData,  
*GK\_Callback\_t* pCallbackResponse,  
*GK\_Callback\_t* pCallbackMarketStatus,  
*GK\_Tag\_t* gkTag)

Parameters	<b>context</b>	Active context identifier through which a connection must be performed.
	<b>userName</b>	Name of the user requiring the connection. Maximum allowed length: 40 characters.
	<b>password</b>	Password of the user requiring the connection. Maximum allowed length: 40 characters.
	<b>market</b>	Market or Clearing House name to which a connection is requested (e.g. MTA, CCG, ...). Maximum allowed length: 40 characters.
	<b>ClientIP</b>	IP address of the client host. It is sent to the server in order to univocally identify the client. Maximum allowed length: 15 characters.
	<b>ClientData</b>	Free text sent to the server for log purpose. Maximum allowed length: 512 characters.
	<b>pCallbackResponse</b>	Callback to handle a notification event for the related request.
	<b>pCallbackMarketStatus</b>	Callback to handle a notification event for the connection status
	<b>gkTag</b>	User tag returned by the callback
Return values:	<b>GK_SUCCESS</b>	Connection request successfully executed
	<b>GK_API_ERROR</b>	Internal error
	<b>GK_INVALID_CONTEXT</b>	Context is not valid
	<b>GK_SERVER_UNREACHABLE</b>	Server unreachable
	<b>GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED</b>	API not initialized
	<b>GK_COMMAND_ON_GOING</b>	A connection request is still on going and a notification event for the previous request must be received
	<b>GK_CONTEXT_BUSY</b>	Context is already in use (a connection on the context is already in place)
	<b>GK_INVALID_PARAMETER</b>	At least one of <i>userName</i> , <i>password</i> ,

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	<i>market</i> , <i>ClientIP</i> or <i>ClientData</i> is null or too long
<i>from pCallbackResponse</i>	
GK_REQUEST_ACCEPTED	Connection accepted
GK_REQUEST_REJECTED	Connection refused
GK_ALREADY_CONNECTED	Connection already in place
GK_INVALID_MARKET	Invalid MarketName
GK_ACCESS_DENIED	Unknown user
GK_LICENCE_ERROR	Maximum number of concurrent connections exceeded
GK_INSUFFICIENT_PRIVILEGES	User cannot connect to the specified market
<i>from pCallbackMarketStatus</i>	
GK_MARKET_STATUS_NOTIFICATION	
• GK_CONNECTION_UP	All connections are active
• GK_CONNECTION_WARNING	At least one connection is active, while one or more other connections can be down
• GK_CONNECTION_DOWN	No connection is active
• GK_SERVER_DOWN	Application server not reachable
GK_TRANSACTION_STATUS_NOTIFICATION	
• GK_CONNECTION_UP	Transaction is active
• GK_CONNECTION_DOWN	Transaction is not active
GK_SUBSCRIPTION_STATUS_NOTIFICATION	
• GK_CONNECTION_UP	Subscription is active
• GK_CONNECTION_DOWN	Subscription is not active
Description	This function must be invoked in order to establish a connection to the BCS Clearing system.

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## 6.0 Introduction to Callbacks

All callback functions have the following structure:

```
void Callback (GK_Context_t context,  
               GK_Data_t gkData,  
               GK_Tag_t gkTag);
```

The callback function is invoked by the GK-API to provide the calling application with asynchronous notifications that can contains data or connection monitoring information. The client application can define as many callbacks as required and then it can bind them to each single request by passing its pointer to the function call.

To know the notification type belonging to the callback, the client application must invoke the `GK_GetNotificationType()` function in the callback itself, passing the `gkData` parameter.

The following notification types are available:

- GK\_MARKET\_STATUS\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_CONNECTION\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_DISCONNECTION\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_TRANSACTION\_STATUS\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_SUBSCRIPTION\_STATUS\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_SUBMIT\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_SUBSCRIBE\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_UNSUBSCRIBE\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_INQUIRE\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_NOTIFY\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_INQUIRE\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_SET\_NOTIFICATION\_PERIOD\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_BINARY\_INQUIRE\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION

After notification type detection, the calling application can invoke proper functions, as described below. It is possible (even if not recommended) to receive all notification events through a unique callback. It is recommended to process each received callback as soon as possible, in order to avoid disconnections due to keep-alive timeout.

### 6.1 Connection request result

```
void ConnectionResp context,  
      (GK_Context_t  
       GK_Data_t gkData,  
       GK_Tag_t gkTag);
```

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Parameters:	<b>context</b>	Context identifier
	<b>gkData</b>	Data returned from the Notification event
	<b>gkTag</b>	User tag returned by the callback
Description	The callback function pointer is passed to the connection request function. The GK-API will call the callback whenever it must notify connection result. If this callback function pointer is passed only to the connection request function, it will be possible to receive only notification of the GK_CONNECTION_RESPONSE_NOTIFICATION type. In order to know the request result the GK_GetMarketResponse() function must be invoked passing gkData.	

## 6.2 Disconnect request result

	<i>void</i>	<b><i>DisconnectionResp</i></b> ( <i>GK_Context_t</i> context, <i>GK_Data_t</i> gkData, <i>GK_Tag_t</i> gkTag);
Parameters:	<b>context</b>	Context identifier
	<b>gkData</b>	Data returned from the Notification event
	<b>gkTag</b>	User tag returned by the callback
Description	The callback function pointer is passed to the disconnection request function. The GK-API will call the callback whenever it must notify disconnection result. If this call-back function pointer is passed only to the connection request function, it will be possible to receive only notifications of the GK_DISCONNECT_RESPONSE_NOTIFICATION type. In order to know the request result the GK_GetMarketResponse() function must be invoked passing gkData.	

## 6.3 Connection monitoring

	<i>void</i>	<b><i>MarketStatus</i></b> ( <i>GK_Context_t</i> context, <i>GK_Data_t</i> gkData, <i>GK_Tag_t</i> gkTag);
Parameters:	<b>context</b>	Context identifier
	<b>gkData</b>	Data returned from the Notification event
	<b>gkTag</b>	User tag returned by the callback

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**Description** The callback function pointer is passed to the connection request function. The GK-API will call the callback whenever it must notify the market connection status. If this callback function pointer is passed only to the connection request function, it will be possible to receive notification of the following types:

- GK\_MARKET\_STATUS\_NOTIFICATION type
- GK\_TRANSACTION\_STATUS\_NOTIFICATION type
- GK\_SUBSCRIPTION\_STATUS\_NOTIFICATION type

As regards the GK\_MARKET\_STATUS\_NOTIFICATION type, it will be possible to receive the following notifications:

- The GK\_CONNECTION\_UP status means all connections are active.
- The GK\_CONNECTION\_DOWN status means all connections are inactive.
- The GK\_CONNECTION\_WARNING status means at least one connection is active.
- The GK\_SERVER\_DOWN status means the connection to the server is lost.

In order to know the status value, the GK\_GetConnectionStatus() function must be invoked passing gkData.

As regards the GK\_TRANSACTION\_STATUS\_NOTIFICATION type it will be possible to receive the following notifications:

- The GK\_CONNECTION\_UP status means the related transaction is active.
- The GK\_CONNECTION\_DOWN status means the related transaction is inactive.

In order to know the related transaction identifier, the GK\_GetTransactionID() function must be invoked passing gkData.

As regards the GK\_SUBSCRIPTION\_STATUS\_NOTIFICATION type it will be possible to receive the following notifications:

- The GK\_CONNECTION\_UP status means the related subscription is active.
- The GK\_CONNECTION\_DOWN status means the related subscription is inactive. In this case, the calling application should perform a new subscription from scratch.

In order to know the related subscription identifier, the GK\_GetSubscriptionID() function must be invoked passing gkData.



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## 6.6 Application message unsubscription result

```
void          UnSubscribeResp (GK_Context_t context,  
                                GK_Data_t   gkData,  
                                GK_Tag_t   gkTag);
```

Parameters:	<b>context</b>	Context identifier
	<b>gkData</b>	Data returned from the Notification event
	<b>gkTag</b>	User tag returned by the call-back

Description The callback function pointer is passed to the unsubscribe request function. The GK-API will call the callback whenever it must notify new results. If this callback function pointer is passed only to the unsubscribe request function, it will be possible to receive only notification of the GK\_UNSUBSCRIBE\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION type. In order to know the subscription identifier the GK\_GetSubscriptionID() function must be invoked passing gkData. On the other hand, to know the request result the GK\_GetMarketResponse() function must be invoked passing gkData.

## 6.7 Data inquiry request result

```
void          InquireResp (GK_Context_t context,  
                             GK_Data_t   gkData,  
                             GK_Tag_t   gkTag);
```

Parameters:	<b>context</b>	Context identifier
	<b>gkData</b>	Data returned from the Notification event
	<b>gkTag</b>	User tag returned by the call-back

Description The callback function pointer is passed to the snapshot subscription (inquiry) request function. The GK-API will call the callback whenever it must notify a result. If this callback function pointer is passed only to the snapshot subscription request function, it will be possible to receive only notification of the GK\_INQUIRE\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION type. In order to know the submit result the GK\_GetMarketResponse() function must be invoked passing gkData. On the other hand, to know the enquiry identifier belonging to that subscription the GK\_GetInquireID() function must be invoked passing gkData.

## 6.8 Data subscription notification

```
void          NotifyData (GK_Context_t context,  
                           GK_Data_t   gkData,
```

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*GK\_Tag\_t gkTag);*

Parameters:	<b>context</b>	Context identifier
	<b>gkData</b>	Data returned from the Notification event
	<b>gkTag</b>	User tag returned by the call-back
Description	The callback function pointer is passed to the subscribe notification function. The GK-API will call the callback whenever it must notify new data. If this callback function pointer is passed only to the subscription request function, it will be possible to receive only notification of the GK_NOTIFY_DATA_NOTIFICATION type. In order to unpack incoming data the GK_GetClassName(), GK_GetClassData(), GK_GetFieldClassData() functions must be invoked passing gkData. On the other hand, to know the subscription identifier belonging to that subscription, the GK_GetSubscriptionID() function must be invoked passing gkData.	

## 6.9 Data inquiry notification

*void                      **NotifyData** (GK\_Context\_t context,  
                                 GK\_Data\_t gkData,  
                                 GK\_Tag\_t gkTag);*

Parameters:	<b>context</b>	Context identifier
	<b>gkData</b>	Data returned from the Notification event
	<b>gkTag</b>	User tag returned by the call-back

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**Description**     The callback function pointer is passed to the snapshot subscription (inquiry) notification function. The GK-API will call the callback whenever it must notify new data. If this callback function pointer is passed only to the inquiry request function, it will be possible to receive only notification of the GK\_INQUIRE\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION and GK\_BINARY\_INQUIRE\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION types. The received notification type only depends on the class used in the inquiry request.

In order to unpack incoming data of GK\_INQUIRE\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION type, the GK\_GetClassName(), GK\_GetClassData(), GK\_GetFieldClassData() functions must be invoked passing gkData. On the other hand, to know the inquiry identifier belonging to that snapshot subscription, the GK\_GetInquireID() function must be invoked passing gkData. Instead, in order to manage incoming data of GK\_BINARY\_INQUIRE\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION type, the GK\_GetClassName() and GK\_GetBinaryData() functions must be invoked passing gkData. Data retrieved using the GK\_GetBinaryData() function are binary data. If multiple binary notifications are received on an inquiry request, user have to concatenate each binary data segment in the order they are received to obtain the whole inquiry response data. Depending on the class used in the inquiry request, the received binary data can be compressed by the server. To decompress binary data, the GK\_UnzipBinaryData function must be invoked (see section 9.0).

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## 7.1 Connection request result

*GK\_Reply\_t*                      **GK\_FreeString** (char\* data);

Parameters: **data** Data to be freed

Return values:	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed
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**Description:** This function must be invoked to release all string-type and binary-type data allocated by the GK-API.

## 7.2 GK\_GetNotificationType

```

GK_Reply_t      GK_GetNotificationType
                  (GK_Data_t  gkData,
                   GK_Notification_t* pNotificationType);

```

Parameters:	<b>gkData</b>	Handle of available data
	<b>pNotificationType</b>	Notification type

Return values:	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed
	GK_FAILED	Function not completed
	GK_INVALID_HANDLE	The referred handle is not valid
	GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
	GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized

**Description:** This function must be invoked in order to extract the notification type related to a callback. The function can be used for any notification type.

### 7.3 GK GetConnectionStatus

```

GK_Reply_t      GK_GetConnectionStatus
                  (GK_Data_t  gkData,
                   GK_Status_t* pMarketStatus);

```

Parameters:	<b>gkData</b>	Handle of available data
	<b>pMarketStatus</b>	Connection status

Return values:	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed
	GK_FAILED	Function not completed

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values:

GK_FAILED	Function not completed
GK_INVALID_HANDLE	The referred handle is not valid
GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized

**Description:** This function must be invoked in order to extract the market reply notified by a callback. The **specification** parameter is allocated by the GK-API and must be released by the calling application by using the GK\_FreeString function. The function can be used only for the following notification types:

- GK\_SUBMIT\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_CONNECTION\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_DISCONNECT\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_SUBMIT\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_SUBSCRIBE\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_UNSUBSCRIBE\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_INQUIRE\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION

## 7.6 GK\_GetSubscriptionID

```

GK_Reply_t      GK_GetSubscriptionID
                  (GK_Data_t  gkData,
                   GK_Subscription_t* pSubscription);

```

Parameters:	<b>gkData</b>	Handle of available data
	<b>pSubscription</b>	Subscription identifier

Return	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed
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GK_FAILED	Function not completed
GK_INVALID_HANDLE	The referred handle is not valid
GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized

**Description:** This function must be invoked in order to extract the subscription identifier notified by a callback. The function can be used only for the following notification types:

- GK\_SUBSCRIBE\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_UNSUBSCRIBE\_RESPONSE\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_SUBSCRIPTION\_STATUS\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_NOTIFY\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION

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```
GK_Reply_t GK_GetInquireID (GK_Data_t gkData,
                             GK_Inquire_t* pInquire);
```

## 7.8 GK\_GetClassName

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**Description:** This function must be invoked in order to extract the class name notified by a callback. The `className` parameter is allocated by the GK-API and must be released by the calling application using the `GK_FreeString` function. The function can be used only for the following notification types:

- GK\_NOTIFY\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_INQUIRE\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_BINARY\_INQUIRE\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION

## 7.9 GK\_DecodeData

```
GK_Reply_t  GK_DeCodeData (GK_Data_t  gkData,  
                           char**      data);
```

Parameters:	<b>gkData</b> <b>data</b>	Handle of available data Application data
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Return values:	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed
	GK_FAILED	Function not completed
	GK_INVALID_HANDLE	The referred handle is not valid
	GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
	GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized

**Description:** This function must be invoked in order to extract the application data (string) notified by a callback. The data parameter is allocated by the GK-API and must be released by the calling application using GK\_FreeString. The function can be used only for the following notification types:

- GK\_NOTIFY\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_INQUIRE\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION

## 7.10 GK\_GetValueString

```
GK_Reply_t      GK_GetValueString (GK_Data_t  gkData,
                                   const char*  Key,
                                   char**       value);
```

Parameters:	<b>gkData</b>	Handle of available data
	<b>Key</b>	Filed name of the application data
	<b>Value</b>	Returned value of requested filed

Return values:	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed
	GK_FAILED	Function not completed

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GK_INVALID_HANDLE	The referred handle is not valid
GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized
GK_TYPE_MISMATCH	The requested Key does not exist

Description: This function must be invoked in order to extract the application data (string) from the message notified by a callback. The Value parameter is allocated and returned by the GK-API and must be released by the calling application using the GK\_FreeString function. The function can be used only for the following notification types:

- GK\_NOTIFY\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_INQUIRE\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION

## 7.11 GK\_GetValueLong

*GK\_Reply\_t*     **GK\_GetValueLong** (*GK\_Data\_t* *gkData*,  
                                  *const char\** *key*,  
                                  *long\** *value*);

Parameters:	<b>gkData</b>	Handle of available data
	<b>Key</b>	Filed name of the application data
	<b>Value</b>	Returned value of requested field

Return values:	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed
	GK_FAILED	Function not completed
	GK_INVALID_HANDLE	The referred handle is not valid
	GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
	GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized
	GK_TYPE_MISMATCH	The requested Key does not exist

Description: This function must be invoked in order to extract the application data (long) from the message notified by a callback. The function can be used only for the following notification types:

- GK\_NOTIFY\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_INQUIRE\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION

## 7.12 GK\_GetValueDouble

*GK\_Reply\_t*     **GK\_GetValueDouble** (*GK\_Data\_t* *gkData*,  
                                  *const char\** *key*,  
                                  *double\** *value*);

Parameters:	<b>gkData</b>	Handle of available data
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Key Value	Filed name of the application data	Returned value of requested field
Return values:	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed
	GK_FAILED	Function not completed
	GK_INVALID_HANDLE	The referred handle is not valid
	GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
	GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized
	GK_TYPE_MISMATCH	The requested Key does not exist
Description:	<p>This function must be invoked in order to extract the application data (double) from the message notified by a callback. The function can be used only for the following notification types:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GK_NOTIFY_DATA_NOTIFICATION</li> <li>• GK_INQUIRE_DATA_NOTIFICATION</li> </ul>	

```
GK_Reply_t    GK_GetValueInt (GK_Data_t  gkData,  
                                const char* key,  
                                int*       value);
```

Parameters:	<b>gkData</b> <b>Key</b> <b>value</b>	Handle of available data Filed name of the application data Returned value of requested field
Return values:	GK_SUCCESS  GK_FAILED GK_INVALID_HANDLE GK_API_ERROR GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED GK_TYPE_MISMATCH	Function successfully completed  Function not completed The referred handle is not valid Internal error GK-API not initialized The requested Key does not exist
Description:	<p>This function must be invoked in order to extract the application data (integer) from message notified by a callback. The function can be used only for the following notification types:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GK_NOTIFY_DATA_NOTIFICATION</li> <li>• GK_INQUIRE_DATA_NOTIFICATION</li> </ul>	

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## 7.14 GK\_GetChain

```
GK_Reply_t      GK_GetChain (GK_Data_t  gkData,
                             GK_Chain_t* pChain);
```

Parameters:	<b>gkData</b> <b>pChain</b>	Handle of available data Data chain
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Return values:	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed
	GK_FAILED	Function not completed
	GK_INVALID_HANDLE	The referred handle is not valid
	GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
	GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized
	GK_TYPE_MISMATCH	The requested Key does not exist

**Description:** This function must be invoked in order to extract the inquiry status notified by a callback. The function can be used only for the following notification types:

- GK\_INQUIRE\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION
- GK\_BINARY\_INQUIRE\_DATA\_NOTIFICATION

## 7.15 GK\_GetBinaryData

```
GK_Reply_t GK_GetBinaryData (GK_Data_t gkData,
                             GK_Byte_t** pData,
                             GK_Length_t* pDataLength);
```

Parameters:	<b>gkData</b>	Handle of available data
	<b>pData</b>	Application binary data buffer
	<b>pDataLength</b>	Returned length of binary data buffer

Return values:	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed
	GK_FAILED	Function not completed
	GK_INVALID_HANDLE	The referred handle is not valid
	GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
	GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized

**Description:** This function must be invoked in order to extract the application binary data notified by a callback. The pData parameter is allocated by the GK-API and must be released by the calling application using GK\_FreeString. The function can be used only for the following notification types:

- GK BINARY INQUIRE DATA NOTIFICATION

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### 3.4 OK Create Application Data

```

GK_Reply_t    GK_CreateApplicationData
                (const char*  className,
                 GK_ClassType_t classType,
                 GK_ApplicationData_t** pApplicationData);

```

Parameters:	<b>className</b>	Data class name
	<b>classType</b>	Data class type
	<b>pApplicationData</b>	Pointer to the message structure

Return values:	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed
	GK_FAILED	Function not completed
	GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
	GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized

**Description:** This function must be invoked to create an application message pApplicationData. The pApplicationData parameter is allocated and returned by the GK-API and must be released by the calling application using the GK\_FreeApplicationData() function.

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```
GK_Reply_t      GK_EncodeData
(GK_ApplicationData_t* pApplicationData,
 const char* data);
```

Parameters	<b>pApplicationData</b>	Pointer to the message structure to be filled
	<b>data</b>	Application fields (format: “ <i>field=value; field=value;..</i> ”)

Return values:	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed
	GK_FAILED	Function not completed
	GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
	GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized

**Description:** This function must be invoked to insert the application message using the following format: "field=value". As opposed to the GK\_Set... functions (which set a single field value at the time), this function will set the complete message string abiding by the message layout.

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## 8.3 GK\_SetValueString

*GK\_Reply\_t*

***GK\_SetValueString***  
(*GK\_ApplicationData\_t\** *pApplicationData*,  
    *const char\** *key*,  
    *const char\** *value*);

Parameters	<b>pApplicationData</b>	Pointer to the message structure to be filled
	<b>Key</b>	Application filed name
	<b>Value</b>	Field value to insert

Return values:	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed
	GK_FAILED	Function not completed
	GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
	GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized

Description: This function must be invoked to assign the value “value” to the field “key” . If a value already exists, the new value will replace the previous one.

## 8.4 GK\_SetValueLong

*GK\_Reply\_t*

***GK\_SetValueLong***  
(*GK\_ApplicationData\_t\** *pApplicationData*,  
    *const char\** *key*,  
    *long* *value*);

Parameters	<b>pApplicationData</b>	Pointer to the message structure to be filled
	<b>Key</b>	Application filed name
	<b>Value</b>	Field value to insert

Return values:	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed
	GK_FAILED	Function not completed
	GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
	GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized

Description: This function must be invoked to assign the value “value” to the field “key” . If a value already exists, the new value will replace the previous one.

## 8.5 GK\_SetValueDouble

*GK\_Reply\_t*

***GK\_SetValueDouble***  
(*GK\_ApplicationData\_t\** *pApplicationData*,  
    *const char\** *key*,

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*double value);*

Parameters	<b>pApplicationData</b>	Pointer to the message structure to be filled
	<b>key</b>	Application field name
	<b>value</b>	Field value to insert
Return values:	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed
	GK_FAILED	Function not completed
	GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
	GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized
Description:	This function must be invoked to assign the value “value” to the field “key” . If a value already exists, the new value will replace the previous one.	

## 8.6 GK\_SetValueInt

*GK\_Reply\_t*

**GK\_SetValueInt**  
(*GK\_ApplicationData\_t\** pApplicationData,  
*const char\** key,  
*int* value);

Parameters	<b>pApplicationData</b>	Pointer to the message structure to be filled
	<b>key</b>	Application field name
	<b>value</b>	Field value to insert
Return values:	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed
	GK_FAILED	Function not completed
	GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
	GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized
Description:	This function must be invoked to assign the value “value” to the field “key” . If a value already exists, the new value will replace the previous one.	

## 8.7 GK\_DestroyApplicationData

*GK\_Reply\_t*

**GK\_DestroyApplicationData**  
(*GK\_ApplicationData\_t\** pApplicationData);

Parameters	<b>pApplicationData</b>	Pointer to the message structure to be filled
Return	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed

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values:

GK_FAILED	Function not completed
GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized

Description: This function must be invoked to release the message structure.

## 8.8 GK\_SetTransactionID

*GK\_Reply\_t*

***GK\_SetTransactionID***  
(*GK\_ApplicationData\_t\** *pApplicationData*,  
*GK\_Transaction\_t* *transaction*);

Parameters	<b>pApplicationData</b>	Pointer to the message structure to be filled
	<b>transaction</b>	Transaction identifier

Return values:	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed
	GK_FAILED	Function not completed
	GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
	GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized

Description: This function must be invoked to insert a transaction identifier within an application message. This type of application message is needed to subscribe information related to the related transaction (e.g. status, proposal information belonging to the transaction).



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## 9.0 Unzipping callback functions

Binary compressed data received on notification of `GK_BINARY_INQUIRE_DATA_NOTIFICATION` type can be decompressed using the `GK_UnzipBinaryData()` function, which provides an in-memory decompression mechanism including integrity checks of the uncompressed data.

To call the `GK_UnzipBinaryData()` function, user application must provide an input buffer containing the binary compressed data and an output buffer that will receive the uncompressed data. If the input buffer contains all the binary compressed data and the output buffer is large enough, decompression can be done in a single step. Otherwise, the unzip activity can be done by repeated calls of the `GK_UnzipBinaryData()` function. In the latter case, the user application must provide more input and/or consume the output (providing more output space) before each call. The `GK_UnzipBinaryData()` function provides each time as much output as possible, until there is no more input data or no more space in the output buffer.

In order to use the `GK_UnzipBinaryData()` function, user application must also provide a parameter of `GK_UnzipHelper_t` type, which is an internal structure managed by the GK-API during the unzip process. Before starting to unzip binary data, user application has to create an instance of `GK_UnzipHelper_t` type by means of the `GK_CreateUnzipHelper()` function. Then, in order to provide the input data buffer, user have to initialize the `GK_UnzipHelper_t` structure using the `GK_InitializeUnzipHelper()` function; this function has to be called every time more input is needed to complete the unzip process. After that, user application have to repeatedly call the `GK_UnzipBinaryData()` function until no more output is available. When the unzip process is terminated (as well as or an error has occurred), the helper structure has to be cleared using the `GK_ClearUnzipHelper()` function. Finally, the helper structure has to be released using the `GK_DestroyUnzipHelper()` function since it cannot be reused to start another unzip session.

### 9.1 GK\_CreateUnzipHelper

<i>GK_Reply_t</i>	<b><i>GK_CreateUnzipHelper</i></b> ( <i>GK_UnzipHelper_t*</i> pUnzipHelper);	
Parameters:	<b>pUnzipHelper</b>	Pointer to the returned internal helper structure
Return values:	<b>GK_SUCCESS</b> <b>GK_FAILED</b> <b>GK_API_ERROR</b> <b>GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED</b>	Function successfully completed Function not completed Internal error GK-API not initialized

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**Description:** This function must be invoked to create an internal helper structure pUnzipHelper. The pUnzipHelper parameter is allocated and returned by the GK-API and must be released by the calling application using the GK\_DestroyUnzipHelper() function.

```
GK_DestroyUnzipHelper
    (GK_UnzipHelper_t  unzipHelper);
```

Parameters:	<b>unzipHelper</b>	Internal helper structure created using GK_CreateUnzipHelper()
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Return values:	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed
	GK_FAILED	Function not completed
	GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized

**Description:** This function must be invoked to deallocate an internal helper structure allocated using the GK\_CreateUnzipHelper() function.

```

GK_Reply_t      GK_InitializeUnzipHelper
                  (GK_UnzipHelper_t  unzipHelper,
                   const GK_Byte_t*   Data,
                   GK_Length_t        DataLength);

```

Parameters:	<b>unzipHelper</b>	Internal helper structure created using GK_CreateUnzipHelper()
	<b>Data</b>	Pointer to a user buffer containing binary data to be unzipped
	<b>DataLength</b>	Length of the data in the user buffer

Return values:	GK_SUCCESS	Function successfully completed
	GK_FAILED	Function not completed
	GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized
	GK_INVALID_PARAMETER	Value of parameter DataLength is not valid

**Description:** This function must be invoked to initialize an internal helper structure allocated using the `GK_CreateUnzipHelper()` function. If binary data has to be unzipped in a single step, the `Data` parameter must point to a buffer containing all the binary data to be unzipped; otherwise, the `Data` parameter can point to a buffer containing only a part of the binary data to be unzipped.

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```
GK_Reply_t      GK_ClearUnzipHelper
                (GK_UnzipHelper_t  unzipHelper);
```

GK_FAILED	Function not completed
GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized

```
GK_Reply_t      GK_UnzipBinaryData
                  (GK_UnzipHelper_t  unzipHelper,
                   char*               buffer,
                   GK_Length_t         bufferLength,
                   GK_Length_t*        pDataLength);
```

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GK_FAILED	Function not completed
GK_API_ERROR	Internal error
GK_API_NOT_INITIALIZED	GK-API not initialized
GK_INVALID_PARAMETER	Value of parameter bufferSize is not valid
GK_DATA_ERROR	Supplied data are invalid or corrupted.

Description: This function must be invoked to unzip compressed binary data. This function decompresses as much data as possible, and stops when the input buffer becomes empty or the output buffer becomes full.

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## 10.0 Recovery

This section describes the recovery process implemented by the system and the actions to be taken when the system notifies the events concerning the services and the markets connection status. In order to receive the connection status, the client application has to invoke the `Subscribe.System.ServiceMarketStatus` subscription class and it has to evaluate the data provided by the `Notify.System.ServiceMarketStatus` callback function.

Instead, events concerning the status of the connection between client and server are provided through the `MarketStatus` callback (see section 6.3).

### 10.1 Services

BCS Server is based on a set of services, each one managing a specific set of functions. It is possible to be notified about the status of a single service or about the overall status of the system. Possible values for service id are the following:

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Service	ServiceID	Description
SOLA Gateway	2500	The service that manages the connection to SOLA Derivatives Markets
Risk Manager	2000	The service that manages all Risk Management requests
Clearing Data Manager	2100	The service that stores all market realtime data
Report Manager	2200	The service that manages all report requests
Transactional Gateway	2400	The gateway that connects to CC&G Clearing system and manages all transactional requests
Realtime Gateway	2300	The gateway that connects to CC&G Clearing system and receives real time data
Overall status	100	The overall status of the services (meant as logical AND of Report

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Service	ServiceID	Description
		Manager, Transactional Gateway and Realtime Gateway)

Please note that in the following tables the length column stands for the maximum length of the field.

## 10.2 **Subscribe.System.ServiceMarketStatus**

Request the service market connection status. The status is notified by `Notify.System.ServiceMarketStatus`.

Field	Type	Length	Description
ServiceID	integer	10	The ID of the service
RequestedMember	string	100	Not mandatory.

## 10.3 **Notify.System.ServiceMarketStatus**

Notify the service connection status.

Field	Type	Length	Description
Member	String	100	Member name.
ServiceID	integer	10	The ID of the service
Market	string	100	Market identifier
Status	string	50	The connection status of the service <ServiceID> operating on the market <Market> for the member <Member>. The possible values are: 'CONNECTION_UP': the service is available and (if applicable) the market

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Field	Type	Length	Description
			connection is correctly established.  'CONNECTION_WARNING': the service is available and (if applicable) the market connection is correctly established but not all the configured member connections are established.  'CONNECTION_DOWN': the service is available but (if applicable) the market connection is not established.  'CONNECTION_CRASH': the service is not available

The following actions need to be taken when `Notify.System.ServiceMarketStatus` events are received:

CONNECTION_UP CONNECTION_WARNING	The connection is successfully established: the client can start its activity.
CONNECTION_DOWN	The market/service connection is no longer available: the client has to wait for a 'CONNECTION_UP' or 'CONNECTION_WARNING' event in order to restart its activity. The Subscribe calls executed before the CONNECTION_DOWN event will be automatically recalled by the system, so that the client has not to recall them.
CONNECTION_CRASH	The service is no longer available: the client has to wait for a 'CONNECTION_UP' or 'CONNECTION_WARNING' event in order to restart its activity. The Subscribe calls executed before the CONNECTION_CRASH event must be recalled by the client.

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## 10.4 Examples

### Example 1

The following actions need to be taken when `Notify.System.ServiceMarketStatus` events are received:

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#### Example 1

The client application subscribes to the service market status for the Clearing Service (service ID 100) on market CCG:

ClassName: <Subscribe.System.ServiceMarketStatus>

ClassData: <ServiceID=100;>

The client application receives the subscribe response acknowledge:

SUBSCRIBE RESPONSE CALLBACK: SubscriptionId=0

MarketReply=0. Spec="Request accepted"

The client application receives the subscribe data:

SUBSCRIBE DATA CALLBACK: SubscriptionId=0

ClassName = `Notify.System.ServiceMarketStatus`, ClassType = 1

Data = Member=8095;ServiceID=100;Market=CCG;Status=CONNECTION\_UP

The client application starts its activity sending `Subscribe`, `Submit`, `Inquire` application requests. Then, the connection (CCG) becomes no longer available, or the gateway (CCG) crashes; the following event will be received:

SubscriptionId=0

ClassName = `Notify.System.ServiceMarketStatus`, ClassType = 1

Data = Member=8095;ServiceID=100;Market=CCG;Status=CONNECTION\_DOWN



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## Example 1

When the connection is established again, then the following event will be received:

SUBSCRIBE DATA CALLBACK: SubscriptionId=0

ClassName = Notify.System.ServiceMarketStatus, ClassType = 1

Data = Member=8095;ServiceID=100;Market=CCG;Status=CONNECTION\_UP

At this point, the client application can re-start its activity without recalling the Subscribe application requests.

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## Example 2

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### Example 2

The client application subscribes to the service market status for the Clearing Service (service ID 100) on market CCG:

ClassName: <Subscribe.System.ServiceMarketStatus>

ClassData: <ServiceID=100;>

The client application receives the subscribe response acknowledge:

SUBSCRIBE RESPONSE CALLBACK: SubscriptionId=0

MarketReply=0. Spec="Request accepted"

The client application receives the subscribe data:

SUBSCRIBE DATA CALLBACK: SubscriptionId=0

ClassName = Notify.System.ServiceMarketStatus, ClassType = 1

Data = Member=8095;ServiceID=100;Market=CCG;Status=CONNECTION\_UP

The client starts its activity sending Subscribe, Submit, Inquire application requests.

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## Example 2

Then, the Clearing Service becomes unavailable; the following event will be received. Please, note that no market is specified in the field <Market>:

```
SUBSCRIBE DATA CALLBACK: SubscriptionId=0  
ClassName = Notify.System.ServiceMarketStatus, ClassType = 0  
Data = ServiceID=100;Status=CONNECTION_CRASH;Market=;
```

When the system activates the recovery process, the following events will be received:

```
SUBSCRIBE DATA CALLBACK: SubscriptionId=0  
ClassName = Notify.System.ServiceMarketStatus, ClassType = 0  
Data = ServiceID=100;Status=CONNECTION_UP;Market=;
```

Note that the first event with Status=CONNECTION\_UP does not specify the market (Status=CONNECTION\_UP;Market=;). It means that the service has become available but the connection to the market has not. Therefore the client should not take any action yet.

Afterwards, the event indicating that the system has successfully recovered the connection will be sent:

```
SUBSCRIBE DATA CALLBACK: SubscriptionId=0  
ClassName = Notify.System.ServiceMarketStatus, ClassType = 1  
Data = Member=8095;ServiceID=100;Market=CCG;Status=CONNECTION_UP
```

At this point, the client application can re-start its activity. It has to recall the Subscribe application requests.



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