

Deriv Investments (Europe) Limited

Execution Quality Summary 2019

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1. Scope

The Execution Quality Summary (“EQS”) is a report comprising of the assessments we have concluded from the monitoring of client orders and the quality of trades executed in terms of best execution practices.

As a regulated investment firm Deriv Investments (Europe) Limited (“DIEL”, “we”, “us”, “our”) is obliged to provide this summary on an annual basis, pursuant to the commission delegated regulation (EU) 2017/576.

We are authorised to deal on own account and to execute orders on behalf of clients in relation to options and contracts for difference (“CFD”). We are committed to providing best execution at all times, and we achieve this through careful analysis of our trading platforms and the quality of orders executed.

The following EQS report is a summary of such analysis as conducted throughout the year 2019. The information contained herein is not investment advice and is not intended to provide any recommendation to purchase any financial instruments.

We encourage clients and potential clients to peruse this document to better inform themselves of our best execution practices and our dedication to providing the best possible trading platform solutions.

2. Order execution

We have a general duty to conduct our business in a clear, fair, honest, and professional manner and to act in your best interests in terms of trading. This is in line with our order execution policy and arrangements. The execution policy is comprised of a set of procedures designed to obtain the best possible execution result for you and is reviewed on an annual basis. For more information on this, you may refer to the [Order execution policy](#) section within our terms and conditions.

To maintain our obligation to provide you with best execution, we monitor 6 main factors: price, cost, speed and likelihood of execution, size, and nature.

Our aim to achieve best execution applies to both retail and professional clients alike and is assessed and monitored when we deal on own account as well as when executing orders on your behalf.

2.1. Digital option contracts

We are authorised to deal on own account. This means we act as the counterparty to your trades and that we are the sole venue for trade execution where the underlying asset class is a digital option contract.

We offer 3 major underlying instruments for options trading, namely, forex, commodities, and stock indices. All digital option contracts are traded on over-the-counter (“OTC”) markets and are offered through our own online interactive platform, DTrader.

2.2. Contracts for difference

Trades on contracts for difference (“CFD”) are executed on your behalf. This means we accept your order to execute a trade according to your instruction in case of passive trading, or according to our best execution arrangements in case of aggressive trading.

We offer 4 underlying instruments for CFD trading, namely, forex, commodities, cryptocurrencies, and stock indices. All CFD contracts are traded on over-the-counter (“OTC”) markets and are available on Deriv MetaTrader 5 (“DMT5”) platform.

2.2.1. Execution venues

When executing orders on your behalf, your order is automatically routed to one of our liquidity providers (“LP”). To select the LP, we use an aggregate pricing system which routes the trade to the LP offering the best price at the time of execution. Our list of LPs for the year 2019 is as follows:

- GBE Brokers Ltd
- FXOpen UK
- CFH Clearing Ltd
- Invest Financial Services PTY Ltd
- TopFX UK

In our commitment to provide best execution, we monitor each LP’s performance with respect to quality of executed trades. In order to continuously provide better pricing, the LP Invest Financial Services PTY Ltd was replaced by the LP TopFX UK.

3. Conflicts of interest

Our conflicts of interest policy accounts for, amongst an inexhaustible list of factors relating to conflicts of interest, conflicts that may arise in relation to order execution. We receive no benefits, monetary or otherwise, in relation to executing orders with any specific LP.

We monitor such arrangements closely and have procedures in place to manage any actual or potential conflicts of interest. For more detailed information on this, you may refer to our conflicts policy as outlined within the general section of our [trading terms and conditions](#) available on our website.

4. Execution Quality Summary data

4.1. Digital options

The data in the table below is representative of all trades executed by professional clients between 1 January 2019 and 4 September 2019. Digital options were no longer made available after this date.

When you are trading on digital options, we are the sole execution venue and act as counterparty to your trades.

Trades executed when the underlying asset class is an option are considered ‘aggressive orders’, which means that such orders took liquidity and the trades were executed immediately.

Class of instrument	Option contracts				
Notification if average trade per business day in the previous year has been <1 (Y/N): N					
Top 5 execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class	Proportion of orders executed as a percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
Deriv Investments (Europe) Limited LEI: 529900GJO69GVJ6GK177	100%	100%	N/A	100%	N/A

4.2. Contracts for difference

The table below reflects order execution data for CFD trades executed by retail and professional clients between 1 January 2019 and 31 December 2019.

Trades on CFDs are routed to one of our LPs according to our best execution policy arrangements and are monitored closely for quality.

Trades that are executed according to specific instructions and have provided liquidity are considered 'passive orders', whilst trades that are executed according to our best execution policy and have taken liquidity are deemed 'aggressive orders'.

Class of instrument	Contracts for difference				
Notification if average trade per business day in the previous year has been <1 (Y/N): N					
Top 5 execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class	Proportion of orders executed as a percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
GBE Brokers Ltd LEI: 213800GTHAE44SHT4L77	74.32%	57.43%	11%	46%	N/A
Invast Financial Services PTY Ltd LEI: 549300OREYLNWD2E9Y62	14.62%	16.63%	3%	14%	N/A
CFH Clearing Ltd LEI: 549300FSY1BKNGVUOR59	8.70%	18.56%	2%	17%	N/A
TopFX Ltd LEI: 549300QPSW261OOC0080	2.26%	2.58%	0%	2%	N/A
FXOpen UK LEI: 2138009GFQX29COD2X55	0.10%	4.80%	0%	4%	N/A

5. Key definitions

Passive order means an order entered onto the order book that has provided liquidity.

Aggressive order means an order entered onto the order book that has taken liquidity.

Directed order means an order where a specific execution venue was specified by the client prior to the execution of the order. Over the counter (OTC) means that trades are entered into only between the clients and us without being submitted to an exchange.

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