

8 July 2020

The Chief Executive
All Regulated Entities

Dear Sir / Madam,

OTC Derivatives Trade Repository of the HKMA

<u>Updated Technical Specifications for Reporting</u>

I am writing to announce that a revised version of Administration and Interface Development Guide ("AIDG") for reporting is published to update the technical specification under the over-the-counter (OTC) derivatives trade repository of the HKMA ("HKTR") in response to the industry feedbacks received, refinements of the templates to improve data quality and to align with the international standards. The revised AIDG version 1.7 attached with this letter will start to apply from 7 Dec 2020.

The key changes made in the revised AIDG include (i) updates of coding schemes supported in the HKTR reporting templates, (ii) modification of some input field(s) checking and (iii) changes in some business validation rule(s). Reporting entities are reminded to read the revised AIDG for the details of the changes and their obligation to report all transactions involving the updated coding schemes supported by the HKTR. Further to this, an updated *Operating Procedures for Hong Kong Trade Repository – User Manual for Participants* will be published for the enhanced functionalities of the user interface of the HKTR system.

The HKTR will make available a testing environment from Nov 2020 for interested reporting entities to simulate reporting on the changes made in the AIDG on a voluntary basis. For questions about the service, operation and testing arrangement of the HKTR, please contact the HKTR at 8100 3115 or email to hktr@hkma.gov.hk.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours faithfully,

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