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### DAX® index derivatives: 1. Harmonisation of daily settlement prices for DAX® and Mini-DAX® Futures; 2. Extension of volatility strategies for DAX® options

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### 1. Harmonisation of daily settlement prices for DAX® and Mini-DAX® Futures

Effective 20 June 2016, the determination of daily settlement prices for Mini-DAX<sup>®</sup> Futures (FDXM) will be amended. As of this date, daily settlement prices for DAX<sup>®</sup> Futures (FDAX) will also be used for Mini-DAX<sup>®</sup> Futures and can therefore also be indicated in half index points. The minimum price change in trading of Mini-DAX<sup>®</sup> Futures will remain unchanged at one index point.

This change will ensure that margin requirements will be minimal for market-neutral positions consisting of DAX® Futures ("long") and the respective number of Mini-DAX® Futures ("short" - or vice versa).

### 2. Extension of volatility strategies for DAX® options

Also effective 20 June 2016, the functionality of volatility strategies for DAX® options will be adjusted. As of this date, also Mini-DAX® Futures can be used alternatively as hedging instruments for DAX® options.

At the same time, the minimum number of DAX<sup>®</sup> options here to be traded will be changed from previously 250 (or a multiple thereof) to 100 options (or a multiple thereof), as for the other index derivatives. Until now, at least 250 DAX<sup>®</sup> options were required when entering volatility strategies, because DAX<sup>®</sup> Futures as hedging instruments have a contract value which is five times higher (25 EUR compared to 5 EUR), and therefore exact hedging was only possible for appropriate high number of options.

Vola trades within the scope of the Trade Entry Service will remain unchanged.

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