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Distribution of Eurex Release 4.1 Production Update Kit

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None

Summary:

After completion of the batch run on Wednesday 13 December, 2000 Eurex will distribute a Production Update Kit for Eurex Release 4.1. System administrators must ensure that sufficient storage capacity is available in the production environment, and that the production environment remains connected on Wednesday evening.

For MISS/Workstation configurations an Update Kit for GATE Release 2.1 will also be delivered.

Installation of the Update Kits is mandatory and must be completed before the start of trading on Monday, 18 December, 2000.

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Target directories and required free storage space for the software transfer are as follows:

IBM / AIX (User Device):	toff00/data/reports/release	2MB
Compaq / OpenVMS (User Device):	toff00$:[toff00.data.reports]	3MB
IBM AIX (MISS):	/usr/lpp/gate/transferdir/release00	7 MB+4MB Windows NT
SUN Solaris (MISS):	/opt/gate/transferdir/release00	8 MB+4MB Windows NT
Microsoft Windows NT (MISS):	<ftp-root directory>\release00	4MB

Installation of the Kits for User Devices and Satellites should follow the steps in the Installation Notes delivered with the software (EUREX_PRD_UPD_041_1.TXT).
The MISS Production Update Kit should be installed according to the installation notes in the 'Read-me' file delivered to the appropriate directory in the production environment together with the Kit.

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Please forward this circular to your system administrator so that any files no longer required (e.g. old software kits, Theoretical Price Files, reports, etc.) can be removed from the directories before the Update Kit is transferred.

Please make sure that your production environment is connected to the Eurex back end on Wednesday evening, 13 December, 2000 from 22.00 CET onwards.

If you have not received the Kit by Friday, 15 December, 2000, please contact our Technical Help-desk on Tel. +49 (0)69-2101-1200.

Amongst other corrections, the Release 4.1 Production Update Kit, includes the following modifications to the software:

GATE 2.1 – EUREXAM

In certain cases, inconsistencies arose in connection with the Convenience function which is used in "eurexam". Consequently, a patch for the GateDLL will be provided. A new version of the Security Manager and the VALUESDLL library will also be delivered, so that the correct Kit number will be given and misunderstandings will be avoided. Xetra and a/c/e applications are not affected by this change.

Inquiries

For product enquiries, the format of the expiration month for options has been modified to that of futures, and will be displayed uniformly with the new software, e.g. '06' for June instead of '6'.

Market Overview

In rare cases, problems in the X-ceed application on the NT platform could occur when closing the Market Overview window, or changing products or contracts in the Market Overview window. These problems have been fixed in the new software.

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Mass Quote Entries

The Mass Quote Entry functionality will be stabilised with the installation of the Update Kit.

User Configuration File – Eurex Clearing GUI (X-tract)

In the new X-tract Update version it is possible for the user to define the path for the User Configuration File.

- By default, the User Configuration File is written to the user's home directory defined by the following environment variables

%HOMEDRIVE%%HOMEPATH%	under Windows NT
$home	under Sun and AIX.

- If you wish to place the file in another location, a different environment variable can be defined with the following name:

clearerSettingsPath	under Windows NT, Sun, and AIX

  In this case, the User Configuration File will be placed in the location indicated by the variable.

- On the first start-up of the new X-tract version, the existing User Configuration File will be moved automatically to the new location (if defined).

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