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## Eurex Release 9.0: Important Information on Production Start

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**Summary:**

For start of production of Eurex Release 9.0 on November 13, 2006, Eurex will transmit software kits for Eurex Release 9.0 and GATE 3.5 by file transfer to the registered report nodes after close of trading on **Friday, November 3, 2006.**

For production start on November 13, 2006 installation of the new Eurex Release 9.0 software is obligatory.

Installation of GATE 3.5 on all MISSes and workstations is a mandatory requirement before the installation of the production kit for Eurex 9.0.

**Please Note**: Eurex 9.0 is not compatible with the Sun Solaris 8 operating system. Therefore, migration to the Sun Solaris 10 operating system is mandatory before installation of the Eurex 9.0 production software can be carried out.

In preparation for the software transfer, system administrators must make sufficient storage capacity available on the report nodes and make sure that they can be reached on Friday, November 3, 2006 after 21:00 CET.

In addition, from November 3, 2006 onwards, the software will be available for download from the Eurex website under the path:

**www.eurexchange.com > Member Section > Releases > Eurex 9.0 > Software Kits**

The connection test for Eurex Release 9.0 will take place on **Saturday, November 11, 2006** between 15:00 and 18:00 CET.

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## 1. Distribution of Production Kits for Eurex Release 9.0 and GATE 3.5

For start of production of Eurex Release 9.0 on November 13, 2006, Eurex will transmit software kits for Eurex Release 9.0 and GATE 3.5 by file transfer to the appropriate production-specific environment of all members between Friday, November 3, 2006, close of trading, and Tuesday, November 7, 2006.

The software will be distributed to the registered report nodes only.

The target directories for the data transfer are:

**Sun Solaris (MISS): /opt/gate/transferdir/release00/sun**
**Windows (MISS): <ftp-root directory>\release00\win**

For the data transfer, hard disc storage space of 170 MB is required. For production start on November 13, 2006, installation of the new Eurex Release 9.0 software is obligatory.

**Please note**: Eurex 9.0 is not compatible with the Sun Solaris 8 operating system. Therefore, migration to the Sun Solaris 10 operating system is mandatory before installation of the Eurex 9.0 production software.

Production kits must be installed as described in the "read-me" file which will be transmitted together with the kits to the respective transfer directory. We strongly advise to follow the "Installation Guides" for Eurex Release 9.0 and GATE 3.5.

Data files which are no longer required should be deleted from the transfer directory before the software transmission takes place.

Please make sure that the report nodes are connected to the Eurex® network on Friday, November 3, 2006, after 21:00 CET.

If you have not received the software by Tuesday, November 7, 2006, please contact our Technical Helpdesk on tel. +49-69-211-1 12 00.

Additionally, the software will be available for download from the Eurex website on November 3, 2006, under the path:

**www.eurexchange.com > Member Section > Releases > Eurex 9.0 > Software Kits**

If you have problems logging into the Member Section, please contact the Customer Support team at tel. +49-69-211-1 17 00.

Installation of GATE 3.5 on all MISSes and workstations is a mandatory requirement before installation of the production kit for Eurex 9.0. To activate the new settings, the system must be re-booted after the installation of GATE 3.5.

## 2. Preparations for Friday, November 10, 2006

On Friday, November 10, 2006, Eurex Release 8.0 will be in production for the last time. After completion of the batch run on Friday, November 10, 2006, and after processing all back-office messages, installation of Eurex Release 9.0 and GATE 3.5 can begin.

Please ensure beforehand, that all relevant reports have been selected and received correctly, since, following the release change, historical reports for the period up to and including November 10, 2006 will no longer be available.

## 3. Connection Test for Eurex Release 9.0 and GATE 3.5 on November 11, 2006

The Eurex Release 9.0 connection test will be conducted on Saturday, November 11, 2006, between 15:00 and 18:00 CET. It is obligatory for all members to take part in this test.

The connection test can be regarded as successful when the Eurex message "**Eurex Release 9.0***"* appears on the **Market Supervision Messages** window. Please make sure that an appropriate member of staff is available to perform the login to the Eurex® trading system (e.g., a Eurex trader).

In addition, the connection status should be checked in the technical connection monitor, which can be accessed under the path:

**www.eurexchange.com > Member Section > Service Point > Connection Monitor**

Along with circular 210/06, Eurex published the fax reply sheet "SPOC for Eurex Release 9.0 Connection Test". We kindly remind you to fill in and send back the fax reply sheet to the fax number +49-69-211-1 17 01 as soon as possible. In this way, Eurex can ensure to reach you in an emergency case between November 11, 2006 and production start on Monday, November 13, 2006.

## 4. MultiMarket Installations

In MultiMarket environments it is not possible to operate GATE 3.4 together with GATE 3.5. For this reason, GATE 3.5 must also be installed on workstations of the same network which connect to different systems as, for example, a Xetra® workstation connected to a Xetra/Eurex MultiMarket MISS. In order to ensure that other markets continue to be connectable during the GATE 3.5 update of MultiMarket installations, the Xetra and USFE® back ends will also be available during the day of the connection test.

## 5. Important Information on Release Introduction

### Profiles and Settings

Current user profiles and settings will be converted from Release 8.0 to Release 9.0 during the upgrade. Please ensure that your user profiles are saved using the *Save Settings* option, before the conversion takes place.

### Report Distribution Delay on November 13, 2006

Please note that due to technical reasons distribution of reports after the first production batch will be delayed by up to three hours.

### Requirements and Patch Levels for Operating System

Please check the "Common Front End Sizing Guidelines for Eurex Release 9.0" and make sure that your hardware equipment still meets the requirements after introduction of Eurex Release 9.0. This document can be found on the Eurex website under the path:

**www.eurexchange.com > Member Section > Releases > Eurex 9.0 > Manuals > Technical Manuals**

### Introduction of Broadcast Stream for Block Auction Messages

With the introduction of Eurex Release 9.0, a new private broadcast stream for Block Auction messages (stream "Q") will be made available. In order to receive the new broadcast stream, please add the subscription to the "eurexsublist.dat"-file.

The new entry can be added either by using “Configuration Utility“, or by means of an editor (“vi“ or “Notepad“). For further information on the “Configuration Utility“ and the file “eurexsublist.dat“, please refer to the documents “Eurex 9.0 Front-End Installation Guide“ and “Eurex 9.0 Front-End Operations Guide“.

These documents can be found on the Eurex website under the path:

**www.eurexchange.com > Member Section > Releases > Eurex 9.0 > Manuals > Technical Manuals**

For any questions you may have during the connection test or start of production, the following hotlines will be available: Technical Helpdesk, tel. +49-69-211-1 12 00; Customer Support, tel. +49-69-211-1 17 00.

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