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#### **Class of Instrument: Commodity Derivatives**

Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year: Y

| Top five execution venues<br>ranked in terms of trading<br>volumes (descending order) | Proportion of<br>volume<br>traded as a<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Proportion of<br>orders<br>executed as<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Percentage of<br>passive orders | 00  | Percentage of<br>directed orders |
|---|---|---|---------------------------------|-----|----------------------------------|
| HSBC Bank plc<br>(MP6I5ZYZBEU3UXPYFY54)   | 100.00%   | 100.00%   | N/A                             | N/A | 0.00%                            |

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-Likelihood of execution and settlement - The likelihood that the execution venue will be able to complete the client order as per the instructions provided.

-Size of the trade - The size of the trade relative to other trades in the financial instrument.

-Nature of the trade - The particular characteristics of the instrument being traded or the order (eg Limit order).

-Any other consideration which may be relevant to order execution.

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#### **Class of Instrument: Currency Derivatives**

Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year: N

| Top five execution venues<br>ranked in terms of trading<br>volumes (descending order) | Proportion of<br>volume<br>traded as a<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Proportion of<br>orders<br>executed as<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Percentage of<br>passive orders |     | Percentage of<br>directed orders |
|---|---|---|---------------------------------|-----|----------------------------------|
| HSBC Private Bank (Suisse) SA<br>(549300LM7URE8RZR5X06)                               | 100.00%   | 100.00%   | N/A                             | N/A | 0.00%                            |

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#### **Class of Instrument: Debt Instruments**

Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year: N

| Top five execution venues<br>ranked in terms of trading<br>volumes (descending order) | Proportion of<br>volume<br>traded as a<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Proportion of<br>orders<br>executed as<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Percentage of passive orders |       | Percentage of<br>directed orders |
|---|---|---|------------------------------|-------|----------------------------------|
| UBS AG<br>(BFM8T61CT2L1QCEMIK50)  | 15.93%  | 18.20%  | 13.67%                       | 4.54% | 0.00%                            |
| HSBC BANK PLC LONDON<br>(MP615ZYZBEU3UXPYFY54)  | 8.56%   | 8.79%   | 2.82%                        | 5.98% | 0.00%                            |
| CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS<br>LDN<br>(XKZZ2JZF41MRHTR1V493)                             | 6.83%   | 5.36%   | 1.92%                        | 3.43% | 0.00%                            |
| MORGAN STANLEY LONDON<br>(4PQUHN3JPFGFNF3BB653)                                       | 6.54%   | 5.70%   | 1.85%                        | 3.85% | 0.00%                            |
| BARCLAYS PLC LONDON<br>(G5GSEF7VJP517OUK5573)   | 5.36%   | 2.75%   | 1.37%                        | 1.37% | 0.00%                            |

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ZKB disappeared from out top five list of execution venues but is still used by our trading desk.Barclays is new in the list but those changes are only due to best execution and market conditions.

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#### Class of Instrument: Equities - Shares and Depositary Receipts – BAND 1-2

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| Top five execution venues<br>ranked in terms of trading<br>volumes (descending order) | Proportion of<br>volume<br>traded as a<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Proportion of<br>orders<br>executed as<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Percentage of<br>passive orders | Percentage<br>of aggressive<br>orders | Percentage of<br>directed orders |
|---|---|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| HSBC SECURITIES NEW YORK<br>(CYYGQCGNHMHPSMRL3R97)                                    | 52.52%  | 25.66%  | 6.19%                           | 19.47%                                | 0.00%                            |
| HSBC SECURITIES LDN<br>(MP6I5ZYZBEU3UXPYFY54)   | 31.35%  | 71.68%  | 11.50%                          | 60.18%                                | 0.00%                            |
| RBC EUROPE LONDON<br>(TXDSU46SXBWIGJ8G8E98)   | 10.44%  | 0.88%   | 0%                              | 0.88%                                 | 0.00%                            |
| KEPLER CHEUVREUX PARIS<br>(9695005EOZG9X81RJD84)                                      | 5.69%   | 1.77%   | 0%                              | 1.77%                                 | 0.00%                            |

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#### Class of Instrument: Equities - Shares and Depositary Receipts – BAND 3-4

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| Top five execution venues<br>ranked in terms of trading<br>volumes (descending order) | Proportion of<br>volume<br>traded as a<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Proportion of<br>orders<br>executed as<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Percentage of<br>passive orders |        | Percentage of<br>directed orders |
|---|---|---|---------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|
| HSBC SECURITIES NEW YORK<br>(CYYGQCGNHMHPSMRL3R97)                                    | 75.48%  | 38.62%  | 7.42%                           | 31.20% | 0.00%                            |
| HSBC SECURITIES LDN<br>(MP615ZYZBEU3UXPYFY54)   | 13.67%  | 57.80%  | 13.55%                          | 44.25% | 0.00%                            |
| RBC EUROPE LONDON<br>(TXDSU46SXBWIGJ8G8E98)   | 10.84%  | 3.58%   | 3.07%                           | 0.51%  | 0.00%                            |

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#### Class of Instrument: Equities - Shares and Depositary Receipts – BAND 5-6

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|---|---|---|---------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|
| HSBC SECURITIES LDN<br>(MP6I5ZYZBEU3UXPYFY54)   | 52.77%  | 53.24%  | 9.94%                           | 43.32% | 0.00%                            |
| HSBC SECURITIES NEW YORK<br>(CYYGQCGNHMHPSMRL3R97)                                    | 43.64%  | 46.12%  | 7.10%                           | 39.02% | 0.00%                            |
| KEPLER CHEUVREUX PARIS<br>(9695005EOZG9X81RJD84)                                      | 1.94%   | 0.12%   | 0.06%                           | 0.06%  | 0.00%                            |
| CSFB EUROPE LONDON<br>(DL6FFRRLF74S01HE2M14)  | 1.31%   | 0.06%   | 0.03%                           | 0.03%  | 0.00%                            |
| RBC EUROPE LONDON<br>(TXDSU46SXBWIGJ8G8E98)   | 0.14%   | 0.40%   | 0%                              | 0.40%  | 0.00%                            |

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PBLU do sample testing of its best execution policy. There was no major breach except for one trade from our Asset Management Desk with a price slightly low er than the calculated benchmark used in our monitoring. Our counterparty confirmed a delay above tolerance due to an isolated technical issue and agreed to improve price accordingly.



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#### **Class of Instrument: Equity Derivatives**

Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year: N

| Top five execution venues<br>ranked in terms of trading<br>volumes (descending order) | Proportion of<br>volume<br>traded as a<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Proportion of<br>orders<br>executed as<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Percentage of<br>passive orders |        | Percentage of<br>directed orders |
|---|---|---|---------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|
| HSBC BANK PLC LONDON<br>(MP615ZYZBEU3UXPYFY54)  | 100.00%   | 100.00%   | 1.75%                           | 98.25% | 0.00%                            |

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Where PBLU believes that the price provided by GB&M or a third party is not competitive or where there is no directly comparable investment (when dealing with simple products/structures), PBLU informs clients on a best efforts basis and where achievable obtain the client's consent before executing the transaction with GB&M or a third party.

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#### Class of Instrument: Exchange Traded Products – BAND 1-2

Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year: N

| Top five execution venues<br>ranked in terms of trading<br>volumes (descending order) | Proportion of<br>volume<br>traded as a<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Proportion of<br>orders<br>executed as<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Percentage of<br>passive orders |        | Percentage of<br>directed orders |
|---|---|---|---------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|
| HSBC SECURITIES NEW YORK<br>(CYYGQCGNHMHPSMRL3R97)                                    | 66.51%  | 79.35%  | 1.09%                           | 78.26% | 00.00%                           |
| CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKET<br>(XKZZ2JZF41MRHTR1V493)                                     | 28.33%  | 15.22%  | 0%                              | 15.22% | 00.00%                           |
| CSFB EUROPE LONDON<br>(DL6FFRRLF74S01HE2M14)  | 4.64%   | 1.09%   | 0%                              | 1.09%  | 00.00%                           |
| KEPLER CHEUVREUX PARIS<br>(9695005EOZG9X81RJD84)                                      | 0.49%   | 1.09%   | 0%                              | 1.09%  | 00.00%                           |
| HSBC SECURITIES LDN<br>(MP615ZYZBEU3UXPYFY54  | 0.03%   | 3.26%   | 0%                              | 3.26%  | 00.00%                           |

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#### Class of Instrument: Exchange Traded Products – BAND 3-4

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| Top five execution venues<br>ranked in terms of trading<br>volumes (descending order) | Proportion of<br>volume<br>traded as a<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Proportion of<br>orders<br>executed as<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Percentage of<br>passive orders |        | Percentage of<br>directed orders |
|---|---|---|---------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|
| HSBC SECURITIES NEW YORK<br>(CYYGQCGNHMHPSMRL3R97)                                    | 69.46%  | 82.05%  | 2.56%                           | 79.49% | 00.00%                           |
| CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKET<br>(XKZZ2JZF41MRHTR1V493)                                     | 23.43%  | 14.10%  | 0%                              | 14.10% | 00.00%                           |
| CSFB EUROPE LONDON<br>(DL6FFRRLF74S01HE2M14)  | 4.24%   | 1.28%   | 1.28%                           | 0%     | 00.00%                           |
| KEPLER CHEUVREUX PARIS<br>(9695005EOZG9X81RJD84)                                      | 2.84%   | 1.28%   | 0%                              | 1.28%  | 00.00%                           |
| RBC EUROPE LONDON<br>(TXDSU46SXBWIGJ8G8E98)   | 0.04%   | 1.28%   | 0%                              | 1.28%  | 00.00%                           |

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#### Class of Instrument: Exchange Traded Products – BAND 5-6

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| Top five execution venues<br>ranked in terms of trading<br>volumes (descending order) | Proportion of<br>volume<br>traded as a<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Proportion of<br>orders<br>executed as<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Percentage of<br>passive orders |        | Percentage of<br>directed orders |
|---|---|---|---------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|
| HSBC SECURITIES LDN<br>(MP6I5ZYZBEU3UXPYFY54)   | 63.83%  | 86.25%  | 0.64%                           | 85.61% | 00.00%                           |
| HSBC SECURITIES NEW YORK<br>(CYYGQCGNHMHPSMRL3R97)                                    | 15.19%  | 10.12%  | 0.38%                           | 9.74%  | 00.00%                           |
| CSFB EUROPE LONDON<br>(DL6FFRRLF74S01HE2M14)  | 7.41%   | 0.95%   | 0%                              | 0.95%  | 00.00%                           |
| KEPLER CHEUVREUX PARIS<br>(9695005EOZG9X81RJD84)                                      | 6.96%   | 1.53%   | 0.19%                           | 1.34%  | 00.00%                           |
| CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKET<br>(XKZZ2JZF41MRHTR1V493)                                     | 6.14%   | 0.76%   | 0.13%                           | 0.63%  | 00.00%                           |

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#### Class of Instrument: Securitized Derivatives

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| SOCIETE GENERALE PARIS<br>(O2RNE8IBXP4R0TD8PU41)                                      | 23.20%  | 12.50%  | NA                              | NA | 00.00%                           |
| BNP PARIS SA PARIS<br>(ROMUWSFPU8MPRO8K5P83)  | 16.92%  | 16.07%  | NA                              | NA | 00.00%                           |
| COMMERZBANK FRANKFURT<br>(851WYGNLUQLFZBSYGB56)                                       | 5.49%   | 5.36%   | NA                              | NA | 00.00%                           |
| CREDIT AGRICOLE CORP PARIS<br>(1VUV7VQFKUOQSJ21A208)                                  | 5.31%   | 10.71%  | NA                              | NA | 00.00%                           |

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Changes in the list of execution venues listed were due to best execution, market conditions and in line with new structured product issuance. Citigroup, Goldman Sachs and Natixis are still used as counterparty but for reported period on top five venues they were replaced by BNP Paribas, Commerzbank and Crédit Agricole.

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#### **Class of Instrument: Other Instruments**

Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year: N

| Top five execution venues<br>ranked in terms of trading<br>volumes (descending order) | Proportion of<br>volume<br>traded as a<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Proportion of<br>orders<br>executed as<br>percentage of<br>total in that<br>class | Percentage of<br>passive orders |     | Percentage of<br>directed orders |
|---|---|---|---------------------------------|-----|----------------------------------|
| EUROCLEAR BANK SA / NV<br>(549300OZ46BRLZ8Y6F65)                                      | 42.51%  | 64.75%  | N/A                             | N/A | 00.00%                           |
| HSBC SECURITIES LUX<br>(213800OPVOQIR4OADG59)   | 49.14%  | 23.40%  | N/A                             | N/A | 00.00%                           |
| HSBC PB (Suisse) Geneva<br>(549300LM7URE8RZR5X06)                                     | 6.52%   | 8.69%   | N/A                             | N/A | 00.00%                           |
| MAITLAND LULXEMBOURG ()   | 1.40%   | 1.64%   | N⁄A                             | N/A | 00.00%                           |
| HSBC S.S. (IRELAND) LTD<br>(213800HVF4H4GD6WSK83)                                     | 0.23%   | 0.66%   | N⁄A                             | N/A | 00.00%                           |

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-Price - The price of an asset or instrument.

-Speed - The time between receiving an order and its execution.

-Costs - All expenses incurred by the client which are directly related to the order execution.

-Likelihood of execution and settlement - The likelihood that the execution venue will be able to complete the client order as per the instructions provided.

-Size of the trade - The size of the trade relative to other trades in the financial instrument.

-Nature of the trade - The particular characteristics of the instrument being traded or the order (eg Limit order).

-Any other consideration which may be relevant to order execution.

As a general rule, when considering the relative importance of these factors, the total consideration paid by clients of PBLU will be the most important factor considered by trading desks in achieving best execution. "Total consideration" includes the price of the final instrument and the costs related to execution, including all expenses



incurred by our Client which are directly related to the execution. In executing Client orders, the trading desk takes all necessary steps to minimise implicit costs as well as explicit external costs. PBLU also undertakes to make a prior disclosure to its Clients of all its internal costs (see the "Tariff brochure").

There are three categories of costs which trading desks takes into account in evaluating "total consideration":

- Implicit costs: these costs are variable and unknown before a trade. They include the spread, the market impact of a trade, and the opportunity costs of a trade (related to operational constraints, market timing issues, and missed trade costs). These costs depend fundamentally on the trade characteristics, the prevailing market conditions as well as the speed of execution.

- Explicit external costs, which include commissions, fees, taxes, exchange fees, clearing and settlement costs, or any other costs passed onto the Client by intermediaries participating on the transaction; and

- Explicit internal costs, which represent PBLU's remuneration through its commission or spread.

Whilst total consideration is of primary importance in achieving best execution, other factors identified above may also be instrumental in delivering the best possible execution result to the Client. Therefore, in evaluating the relative importance of all factors, PBLU will also take into account:

- the specific nature of the instrument traded;

- the market where such instrument is traded;

- the characteristics of the order relating to the instrument, including the size of the trade relative to other trades in the financial instrument and the need to minimise any possible impact of the order on the market.

PBLU maintains a process to review and mitigate any instances of conflicts arising through the normal course of business. PBLU ensures that all employees are aware of this process and take reasonable steps to identify conflicts of interest that arise or may arise in the course of providing any regulated activity to a client and which may adversely affect clients' interests.

PBLU does not have any price arrangement with any execution venues.

No major change in the list of execution venues to be commented.

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