

# MiFID II

How does it affect me?



To better protect you as an investor, the revised EU Markets in Financial Instruments Directive (MiFID II) will come into force as of January 3, 2018.

We are pleased to confirm that the way we service clients already satisfies most MiFID II requirements. However, we will further increase the level of available information and disclosures. Below are the most important changes and what they mean for you.



## Your investor classification and service level

Investor protection is a core element of MiFID II. Clients are classified as retail investor, professional investor, or eligible counterparty according to their need for protection. Under MiFID II this distinction will be intensified.

You can opt for three different service level from UBS; execution only, discretionary mandate, and advice. Execution only clients will not be given any advice in respect to financial products, and service will be limited to the reception and execution of orders only.

You can find your classification under MiFID II and your service level in the "Cover Letter" sent to you in this information pack. Please feel free to contact your client relationship manager if you have any questions concerning your classification or service level



## Making everything transparent

To ensure you are regularly informed about your account evolution, we will send you an asset statement at quarterly intervals starting in 2018. You can, however, choose shorter intervals if you prefer.

To increase transparency, we will provide you with a scenario booklet detailing your price agreements and cost of our products and services. You will find the actual costs in your purchase statement and, for the first time, in your (2018) year-end asset statement.



## Additional services

In case you are a MiFID II affected firm and have regulatory reporting obligations where you need assistance, please contact your client relationship manager to discuss additional services.



## Best execution of client orders

MiFID II strengthens the best execution obligations placed on investment firms to require that they take all sufficient steps to obtain the best possible result for clients. Our current execution practices already meet this enhanced best execution standard. We are also enhancing our procedures to ensure intended outcomes can be achieved on an ongoing basis and put in place regular monitoring arrangements. The changes to the current regime will result in greater transparency as to the primary execution venues across all products.

Additionally, in accordance with MiFID II regulations, UBS will publish an annual report of the top five execution venues, detailing the trading volumes for each asset class. This report will also summarize the quality of execution obtained and will be available on our website. Execution venues, which include trading venues, SIs, market makers etc. are required, on a quarterly basis, to publish data relating to the quality of execution on that venue.

## Find out more

If you would like to know more about MiFID II and what it means for you please feel free to contact your client relationship manager.

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