

## Exhibit 1 Form of Adherence Letter

FAO

The Tax Division  
Association for Financial Markets in Europe  
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London, 18/03/2024

Dear Sirs

### **AFME Spanish Financial Transactions Tax Protocol – Adherence Letter**

#### **1. Adherence**

The purpose of this letter is to declare our adherence and that of each other party whose name is listed in paragraph 2 below (for whom we act as agent for the purposes of this Adherence Letter) (each a ***Group Adhering Party***), to the AFME Spanish Financial Transactions Tax Protocol (the ***Protocol***).

By executing this letter, on our behalf and on behalf of each Group Adhering Party, we make the representations set out in article 6 of the Protocol and confirm our intention to be bound by the terms of the Protocol as amended from time to time. We represent and warrant that we are authorised to submit this letter on behalf of each Group Adhering Party. This letter constitutes an Adherence Letter as referred to in the Protocol.

The definitions and provisions contained in the Protocol are incorporated into this Adherence Letter.

## 2. Corporate Group Parties to whom this Adherence Letter applies

Vantage Capital Markets LLP<sup>1</sup>, FCA regulated under ref 416697, LEI 2138007ZHUXSGBB53N72<sup>2</sup> to become adherents to the Protocol.

Each party listed above shall be a separate Adhering Party.

We hereby confirm that each adhering party listed above deals on its own account and is duly licensed for dealing on own account and/or it executes orders on behalf of clients and is duly licensed for the execution of orders on behalf of clients.

*Please select one of the following options for each adhering party.*

A. [We provide a link to the relevant regulator's register of investment service providers to confirm our accreditation

<https://register.fca.org.uk/s/firm?id=001b000000MfP71AAF>

*or*

B [We attach a copy of our licence showing the services and activities for which we are authorised in the annex to this Adherence Letter.]

*or*

C. [We confirm that we will provide details of our licence to other Adhering Parties on a bilateral basis when requested.]

## 3. Appointment as Administrator and Release

We (on our own behalf and as agent for all adhering parties listed above) hereby appoint AFME as administrator for the limited purposes of the Protocol and accordingly we waive, and hereby release AFME from, any rights, claims, actions or causes of action whatsoever (whether in contract, tort or otherwise) arising out of or in any way relating to this Adherence Letter or our adherence to the Protocol or any actions contemplated as being required by AFME.

## 4. Contact Details<sup>3</sup>

Our contact details for the purposes of the Protocol are:

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<sup>1</sup> This must include the entity writing this letter. If the Protocol is to apply only to one or more branches of each legal entity, please make this clear and specify which branch or branches.

<sup>2</sup> For each entity, please provide as many of such identifiers as relevant.

<sup>3</sup> To the extent that each adhering entity does not share the same contact details, please provide the contact details for each adhering entity.

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Our contact details for receipt of invoices for Adherence Fees are:<sup>4</sup>

Organisation:

Name: Vantage Capital Markets LLP  
Billing Address: 70 St Mary Axe  
City: London  
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Invoice Contact (if different from contact details above):

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We undertake to notify AFME of any changes to these details at any time throughout our adherence to the Protocol, by either:

- (a) delivering to AFME by (i) certified or registered mail (or airmail, if overseas) or equivalent; (ii) courier; or (iii) personal delivery to AFME's address set out in this Adherence Letter, two copies of such notice: one a manually signed original and the other a conformed copy containing, in place of each signature, the printed or typewritten name of each signatory; and we will also send scanned pdf copies of the manually signed original and conformed copies of the notice of change of details to AFME at [fttprotocol@afme.eu](mailto:fttprotocol@afme.eu); or
- (b) sending to AFME at [fttprotocol@afme.eu](mailto:fttprotocol@afme.eu) an electronically signed original and a conformed copy of such notice.

We agree to the publication by AFME of the conformed copy of any such notice.

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<sup>4</sup> Please also provide any additional details which are required to process the invoice for Adhering Fees.

Where this letter applies to a Corporate Group Party, we acknowledge that we will be the Primary Group Adhering Party for the purposes of the Protocol.

#### 5. Agent for Service of Process<sup>5</sup>

We have appointed AFME as our agent for service of process and any other documents in proceedings in England. We agree that we will at all times while we remain an Adhering Party to the Protocol maintain an agent for service of process and any other documents in proceedings in England. Any claim form, judgment or other notice of legal process will be sufficiently served on us if delivered to such agent at its address for the time being. We undertake not to revoke the authority of the above agent without giving prior notification to AFME of a replacement agent.

We consent to the publication of the conformed copy of this letter by AFME and to the disclosure by AFME of the contents of this letter.

Yours faithfully

Vantage Capital Markets LLP

Signed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Charles Eddis  
Title: General Counsel

<sup>5</sup> Non-UK Adhering Parties only. To the extent that each non-UK Adhering Party is not using the same agent, please modify this paragraph as necessary.