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Dear Sirs

AFME Italian Financial Transactions Tax Equities 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), to the AFME Italian Financial Transactions Tax Equities Protocol (the **Protocol**).

By executing this letter, we make the representations set out in paragraph 5.1 of the Protocol and confirm our intention to be bound by the terms of the Protocol as amended from time to time. 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. Parties to whom this Adherence Letter applies

Nomura Financial Products Europe GmbH, of registered office Rathenauplatz 1, 60313 Frankfurt am Main, Germany with trade register number HRB 110223, German BaFin number 148807 and LEI 5493002XYZZ0CGQ6CB58.

3. Appointment as Administrator and Release

We 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

Our contact details for the purposes of the Protocol are:

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Telephone:

E-mail:

We undertake to notify AFME of any changes to these details at any time throughout our adherence to the Protocol, by 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. In addition, we will send scanned pdf copies of the manually signed original and conformed copies of the notice of change of details to AFME at ftprotocol@afme.eu.

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

5. Optional Representation for Execution on a Regulated Market or MTF

Not applicable

6. Agent for Service of Process

We have appointed Nomura International plc, 1 Angel Lane, London, EC4R 3AB 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 the 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

Nomura Financial Products Europe GmbH

Signed by: Ben Miall
Name: Ben Miall
Title: Head of NFPE Operations

Hendrik Rogge
Name: Hendrik Rogge
Title: Vice President