

Foreign Exchange Contact Group

Frankfurt am Main, Wednesday, 4 September 2024, 14:00-16:00

SUMMARY OF THE DISCUSSION

The Foreign Exchange Contact Group met virtually to discuss proposed revisions to the FX Global Code, as part of the ongoing Global Foreign Exchange Committee's (GFXC) three-year review.

1. Global Foreign Exchange Committee and FX Global Code Review

Members discussed the outline proposals from two different working groups: the FX Data working group and the Settlement Risk working group. Both issues were first introduced by GFXC working group members, who represent the ECB's FXCG in these groups. They gave background to suggested enhancements based on working group discussions so far and also reminded members of the earlier agreed principles of a high bar for making modifications to the Code and the criteria used to evaluate potential changes¹.

Regarding FX settlement risk, the current working group proposal suggests revisions to three Code principles to strengthen Code language by reducing FX settlement risk. Regarding FX data, the GFXC working group has been asked to analyse how the use of FX data could be made more transparent and how such data could be made more evenly accessible to market participants in order to improve market transparency and enable a level playing field.

Members asked various questions and discussed areas where the draft language could be further clarified. They were generally supportive of the proposals of both working groups, which are planned to be sent for public consultation later during the fall. In the end the Chair summarised the 2024 Code review progress by describing next steps and informed members that an updated version of the Code is expected to be published by the year end.

¹ Please refer to the criteria in the [Minutes of the GFXC Committee Meeting, 30 November - 1 December 2023](#).