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Amendments to the Wholesale Securities Markets Listing Rules (formerly the EWSM Listing Rules)

The Listing Rules of the European Wholesale Securities Market (formerly referred to as the "**EWSM**") have been amended to remove all references to "European" and have been renamed the "Listing Rules for Wholesale Securities Markets" ("**WSM Listing Rules**"). These amendments serve to render the Listing Rules applicable to any regulated wholesale securities market which is duly authorised by the Malta Financial Services Authority in terms of the relevant article of the Financial Markets Act (Cap. 345 of the laws of Malta).

A further amendment has been made to the WSM Listing Rules to widen the scope of WSM Listing Rule 6.4B(1) to provide for the possibility of a body corporate or a partnership incorporated *inter alia* in Switzerland to apply for authorization as a Listing Agent in terms of the WSM Listing Rules.

Amended Listing Rules

The Revised Listing Rules are annexed to this Circular.

Effective Date

The amendments to the Listing Rules shall become effective from 27 February 2017.

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Any queries or requests for clarifications in respect of the above should be submitted on email address <u>capitalmarkets@mfsa.com.mt</u>

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