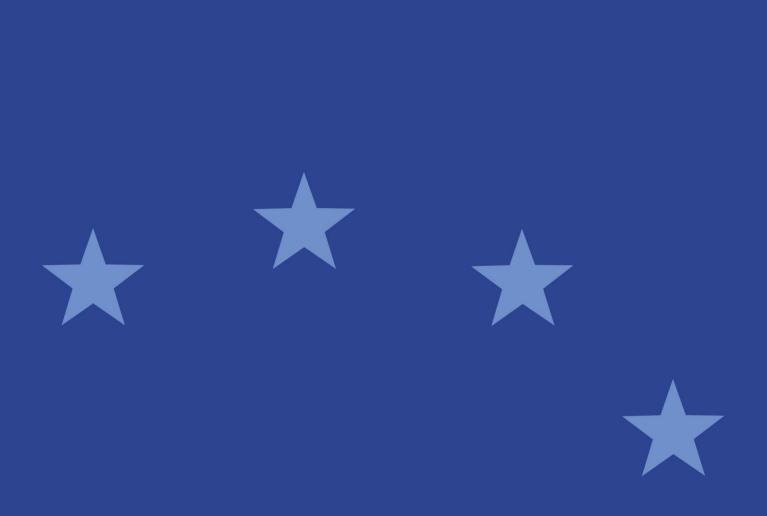


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Instructions on download and use of full and delta transparency results



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RTS2	COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) 2017/583 of 14 July 2016 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council on markets in financial instruments with regard to regulatory technical standards on transparency requirements for trading venues and investment firms in respect of bonds, structured finance products, emission allowances and derivatives	1	European Commission / ESMA	31/03/2017
RTS23	COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) 2017/585 of 14.7.2016 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to regulatory technical standards for the data standards and formats for financial instrument reference data and technical measures in relation to arrangements to be made by the European Securities and Markets Authority and competent authorities	1	European Commission / ESMA	31/03/2017
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		2.0	ESMA	19/10/2018
		2.1	ESMA	14/05/2020



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1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose and intended audience of this document

- 1. The purpose of this document is to provide details on the files containing transparency calculation results that ESMA will be publishing, how to access them, and how to use them.
- 2. The intended audience are the EU market participants and National Competent Authorities that need to make use of the results of transparency calculations for the purpose of MiFIR.

1.2 Scope

3. The scope of this document is the files published on ESMA website and containing transparency calculations results.

1.3 Abreviations

Acronym	Definition	
RM	Regulated Market	
MTF	Multilateral Trading Facility	
OTF	Organised Trading Facility	
SI	Systematic Internaliser	



2 Description of the transparency calculation results files generated by the FIRDS system

2.1 Full files / delta files

4. The system makes transparency calculation results available in the form of machine-readable files:

a. Full files:

- i. ISIN level calculation result files: the equity (resp. non-equity) full files contain transparency calculation results for all equity (resp. non-equity) instruments for which the system has performed calculations. For each ISIN and Reporting Period, the file contains the latest version of the calculations performed by the system. Records older than 18 months are removed from the full files.
- ii. Sub-class/Asset-class level calculation result files: related to non-equity sub-class transparency calculations and systematic internaliser related nonequity sub-class and asset-class calculation results for which the system performed calculations. For each sub-classes/asset-classes the files contains the latest version of the calculations for the Reporting period displayed in the file.
- b. **Delta files**: the equity (resp. non-equity) delta files contain the transparency calculation results for which a change has occurred since the generation of the previous set of files, e.g. in the following situations
 - i. Calculations have been produced for a new instrument;
 - ii. Updated data has been received for the instrument;
 - A non-equity instrument is getting closer to its maturity date, and as a result its time-to-maturity bucket changes and the instrument now belongs to a different non-equity sub-class;
 - iv. Calculation results have been updated following a specific action from a NCA User, or from an ESMA Data Manager.
- 5. Given the high volume of data, the files are split in several, in particular when they exceed 500,000 records, or based on the first letter of the CFI code in the case of the full files.

2.2 Equity transparency calculation results full and delta files

- 6. Equity transparency calculation results files contain, for each ISIN:
 - a. The MiFIR Identifier of the instrument1;
 - b. A flag indicating whether the instrument is liquid²;
 - c. The type of calculation (Methodology)3;

¹ BizData/Pyld/Document/FinInstrmRptgEqtyTradgActvtyRslt/EqtyTrnsprncyData/FinInstrmClssfctn

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³ BizData/Pyld/Document/FinInstrmRptgEqtyTradgActvtyRslt/EqtyTrnsprncyData/Mthdlgy



- d. The average daily turnover4;
- e. If the instrument is liquid, the average value of transactions⁵;
- f. If the instrument is liquid, the Standard Market Size (SMS)6;
- g. The average daily number of transactions⁷;
- h. The total number of transactions executed⁸ this field is populated only for the systematic internalisers calculation result records (where the calculation methodology is 'SINT')
- i. The total volume of transactions executed this field is populated only for the systematic internalisers calculation result records (where the calculation methodology is 'SINT')
- j. The most relevant market in terms of liquidity for the purpose of MiFIR Art.4(1)(a)¹⁰
- k. For shares and depositary receipts, the average daily number of transactions on the most relevant market in terms of liquidity¹¹;
- I. The Reporting Period describing the period of trading activity taken into account in order to derive the results. 12

2.3 Non-Equity transparency calculation results full and delta files

- 7. Non-Equity transparency calculation results files publishing ISIN-level results will contain, for each ISIN:
 - a. The MiFIR Identifier of the instrument¹³
 - b. The sub-class information of the instrument¹⁴;
 - c. A flag indicating whether the instrument is liquid¹⁵;
 - d. The pre-trade Large-In-Scale threshold (LIS)16;
 - e. The post-trade Large-In-Scale threshold (LIS)17;
 - f. Pre-trade Size-Specific-to-the-Instrument threshold (SSTI)18;

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⁶ BizData/Pyld/Document/FinInstrmRptgEqtyTradgActvtyRslt/EqtyTrnsprncyData/Sttstcs/StdMktSz

⁷ BizData/Pyld/Document/FinInstrmRptgEqtyTradgActvtyRslt/EqtyTrnsprncyData/Sttstcs/AvrgDalyNbOfTxs

⁸ BizData/Pyld/Document/FinInstrmRptgEqtyTradgActvtyRsIt/EqtyTrnsprncyData/Sttstcs/TtlNbOfTxsExctd

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¹⁴ BizData/Pyld/Document/FinInstrmRptgNonEqtyTradgActvtyRslt/NonEqtyTrnsprncyData/Id/IsinAndSubclass/DerivSubClss

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¹⁶ BizData/Pyld/Document/FinInstrmRptgNonEqtyTradgActvtyRslt/NonEqtyTrnsprncyData/PreTradLrgInScaleThrshld

¹⁷ BizData/Pyld/Document/FinInstrmRptgNonEqtyTradgActvtyRsIt/NonEqtyTrnsprncyData/PstTradLrgInScaleThrshld

¹⁸ BizData/Pyld/Document/FinInstrmRptgNonEqtyTradgActvtyRslt/NonEqtyTrnsprncyData/PreTradInstrmSzSpcfcThrshld



- g. Post-trade Size-Specific-to-the-Instrument threshold (SSTI)19;
- h. The Reporting Period describing the period of trading activity taken into account in order to derive the results²⁰.
- i. The total number of transactions executed²¹ this field is populated only for the systematic internalisers calculation result records;
- j. The total volume of transactions executed²² this field is populated only for the systematic internalisers calculation result records;
- 8. Non-Equity transparency calculation results files publishing results for classes of financial instruments will contain, for each sub-class or asset class:
 - a. The MiFIR Identifier23
 - b. Information about the sub-class of financial instruments to which the results relate²⁴ this field is populated only for non-equity sub-asset class yearly calculation results and the non-equity sub-class systematic internalisers calculation results;
 - c. Information about the asset-class to which the results relate²⁵:
 - d. A flag indicating whether the sub-class is liquid²⁶ this field is populated only for non-equity sub-asset class yearly calculation results;
 - e. The pre-trade Large-In-Scale threshold (LIS)²⁷ applicable to the sub-class this field is populated only for non-equity sub-asset class yearly calculation results;
 - f. The post-trade Large-In-Scale threshold (LIS)²⁸ applicable to the sub-class this field is populated only for non-equity sub-asset class yearly calculation results;
 - g. Pre-trade Size-Specific-to-the-Instrument threshold (SSTI)²⁹ applicable to the subclass - this field is populated only for non-equity sub-asset class yearly calculation results;
 - h. Post-trade Size-Specific-to-the-Instrument threshold (SSTI)³⁰ applicable to the subclass - this field is populated only for non-equity sub-asset class yearly calculation results;
 - i. The Reporting Period describing the period of trading activity taken into account in order to derive the results³¹.

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²¹ BizData/Pyld/Document/FinInstrmRptgEqtyTradgActvtyRslt/NonEqtyTrnsprncyData/Sttstcs/TtlNbOfTxsExctd

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²⁸ BizData/Pyld/Document/FinInstrmRptgNonEqtyTradgActvtyRsIt/NonEqtyTrnsprncyData/PstTradLrgInScaleThrshld

²⁹ BizData/Pyld/Document/FinInstrmRptgNonEqtyTradgActvtyRslt/NonEqtyTrnsprncyData/PreTradInstrmSzSpcfcThrshld

³⁰ BizData/Pyld/Document/FinInstrmRptgNonEqtyTradgActvtyRslt/NonEqtyTrnsprncyData/PstTradInstrmSzSpcfcThrshld

³¹ BizData/Pyld/Document/FinInstrmRptgNonEqtyTradgActvtyRslt/NonEqtyTrnsprncyData/RptgPrd/FrDtToDt



- j. The total number of transactions executed³² this field is populated only for the systematic internalisers calculation result records;
- k. The total volume of transactions executed³³ this field is populated only for the systematic internalisers calculation result records;
- 9. The sub-asset class information of the instruments contains the sub-asset class description³⁴ (as per RTS2 Annex), the criteria names³⁵ and the criteria values³⁶ that were used for the determination of the sub-asset class. The segmentation criteria list is the following:

auth.045.001.03 XML schema SgmttnCrit/ CritNm code	Segmentation criteria definition	Segmentation Criteraia RTS field reference	
BSPD	Base Product	RTS23 field 35	
NCCO	Commodity Notional Currency	RTS2 field 15	
CTYP	Contract Type	RTS2 field 5	
INC1	IRD Notional Currency 1	RTS23 field 13	
INC2	IRD Notional Currency 2	RTS23 field 42	
DCSL	Delivery Cash Location	RTS2 field 14	
DTYP	Delivery Settlement Type	RTS23 field 34	
EQUT	Equity Underlying Type	RTS2 field 27	
FSPD Further Sub Product		RTS23 field 37	
IIND	Inflation Index Code Name	RTS2 field 22 or RTS2 field 23	
IOUB Underlying Bond Issuer		RTS2 field 17	
IRTC	Interest Rate Term Of Contract	RTS2 field 25	
ISIN	ISIN	RTS2 field 1	
ISPT	Sovereign And Public Type Issuer	RTS2 field 39	
CNC1	CFD Notional Currency 1	RTS2 field 30	
FNC1	FEX Notional Currency 1	RTS23 field 13	
CNC2	CFD Notional Currency 2	RTS2 field 31	
FNC2 FEX Notional Currency 2		RTS23 field 47	
NCSW	Swaption Notional Currency	RTS2 field 20	
PRMT	Parameter	RTS2 field 28	
REOU	Underlying Reference Entity	RTS2 field 41	

³² BizData/Pyld/Document/FinInstrmRptgEqtyTradgActvtyRslt/NonEqtyTrnsprncyData/Sttstcs/TtlNbOfTxsExctd

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BizData/Pyld/Document/FinInstrmRptgNonEqtyTradgActvtyRslt/NonEqtyTrnsprncyData/Id/IsinAndSubclass/SgmttnCrit/DerivSubClss/CritNm

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Biz Data/Pyld/Document/FinInstrmRptgNonEqtyTradgActvtyRslt/NonEqtyTrnsprncyData/Id/IsinAndSubclass/DerivSubClss/SgmttnCrit/CritVal

³³ BizData/Pyld/Document/FinInstrmRptgEqtyTradgActvtyRslt/NonEqtyTrnsprncyData/Sttstcs/TtlVolOfTxsExctd

 $^{^{34}\} Biz Data/Pyld/Document/FinInstrmRptgNonEqtyTradgActvtyRslt/NonEqtyTrnsprncyData/Id/IsinAndSubclass/DerivSubClss/tDesc$



auth.045.001.03 XML schema SgmttnCrit/ CritNm code	Segmentation criteria definition	Segmentation Criteraia RTS field reference
NCCR	Credit Notional Currency	RTS2 field 42
SACL	Sub Asset Class Identification	na
SBPD	Sub Product	RTS23 field 36
SRTC	Specific Route Time Charter Average	RTS2 field 13
SSRF	Size Specification Related To Freight Subtype	RTS2 field 12
TOUB	Underlying Bond Term	Based on the RTS2 field 18 or RTS23 field 15
TTMB	Time To Maturity Bucket	Based on RTS2 field 8
TTMO	Option Time To Matury Bucket	Based on RST2 field 8
TTMS	Swap Time To Maturity Bucket	Based on RTS2 field 21
UINS*	Underlying Instrument Identification (Underlying Instrument Code)	RTS23 field 26
Underlying Index Identification UIDX - Underlying Index Code - Underlying Index Name		RTS23 field 26c or RTS23 field 28 RTS23 field 28
UIRT	Underlying Interest Rate	RTS2 field 24
UISC Underlying Index CDS Sub Class Identification		na
UTYP	Underlying Type	RTS2 field 16

^{*} Regarding segmentation criteria UINS: in case the underlying is a basket, the segmentation criteria will be repeated in the message for each constituent of the basket (sorted in ascending alphanumerical order).

The SACL (Sub Asset Class Identification) criteria code is referring to the sub asset classes defined by the RTS.

The order of the segmentation criteria related to a sub-asset class follows the order implemented in the ESMA system.

Examples for the sub-asset class information of an ISIN-level or Sub-class level result record in the different file types:

a.) ISIN-level result files:



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<Id>
     <TSTNAndSubCles
       <ISIN>GB00H0MSSX40</ISIN>
<DerivSubClss>
          <Desc>Metal commodity futures/forwards</Desc>
          </
          <SgmttnCrit>
  <CritNm>NCCO</CritNm>
  <CritVal>USD</CritVal>
          </SamttnCrit>
          </SgmttnCrit>
     </Id>
  <FullNm>aaa</FullNm>
  <Pulling and , _ </p>
<RptgPrd>
<FrDtToDt>
     </RptgPrd>
</NonEctvTrnsprncvData>
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b.) Sub-class level non-equity yearly calculation result file:

c.) SI-related sub-class level calculation result file:



10. The codelist and description of the asset-classes and subasset-classes are the following:

ASCL Codes (auth.045.001.03 XML schema AsstClssAndSubclass/AsstClss)	Asset-Class Definition	SACL codes	Subasset-class description
		IRD01	Bond Futures/Forward
		IRD02	Bond options
	latawat Data	IRD03	IR futures and FRA
IRDV	Interest Rate Derivatives	IRD04	IR options
		IRD05	Swaptions
		IRD06	Swaps and futures/forwards on swaps
		IRD07	Other Interest Rate Derivatives
	Bond	BOND1	Sovereign bond
		BOND2	Public bond
DOND		BOND3	Convertible bond
BOND		BOND4	Covered Bond
		BOND5	Corporate bond
		BOND6	Other bonds
ETCS	Exchange Traded Commodity	ETC	Debt / ETC



ASCL Codes (auth.045.001.03 XML schema AsstClssAndSubclass/AsstClss)	Asset-Class Definition	SACL codes	Subasset-class description
ETNS	Exchange Traded Notes	ETN	Debt / ETN
		COM01	Metal commodity futures/forwards
		COM02	Metal commodity options
		COM03	Metal commodity swaps
		COM04	Energy commodity futures/forwards
COMD	Commodity	COM05	Energy commodity options
CONID	Derivatives	COM06	Energy commodity swaps
		COM07	Agricultural commodity futures/forwards
		COM08	Agricultural commodity options
		COM09	Agricultural commodity swaps
		COM10	Other Commodity Derivatives
C10D	C10 Derivetives	C1001	Freight derivatives
C10D	C10 Derivatives	C1002	Other C10 derivatives
		DEA01	Derivatives on emission allowances - EUA
	Derivatives on	DEA02	Derivatives on emission allowances - EUAA
EADV	Emission Allowances	DEA03	Derivatives on emission allowances - CER
		DEA04	Derivatives on emission allowances - ERU
		DEA05	Other derivatives on emission allowances
		EQD01	Stock index options
		EQD02	Stock index futures/forwards
		EQD03	Stock options
		EQD04	Stock futures/forwards
		EQD05	Stock dividend options
		EQD06	Stock dividend futures/forwards
5001	Equity	EQD07	Dividend index options
EQDV	Derivatives	EQD08	Dividend index futures/forwards
		EQD09	Volatility index options
		EQD10	Volatility index futures/forwards
		EQD11	ETF options
		EQD12	ETF futures/forwards
		EQD13	Swaps
		EQD14	Portfolio swaps
		EQD15	Other equity derivatives
		FEX01	Non-deliverable forwards
FEXD	FX Derivatives	FEX02	Deliverable forwards



ASCL Codes (auth.045.001.03 XML schema AsstClssAndSubclass/AsstClss)	Asset-Class Definition	SACL codes	Subasset-class description
		FEX03	Non-deliverable FX options
		FEX04	Deliverable FX options
		FEX05	Non-deliverable FX swaps
		FEX06	Deliverable FX swaps
		FEX07	FX futures
		FEX08	Other foreign exchnage derivatives
		EA01	Emission allowances - EUA
	e	EA02	Emission allowances - EUAA
EMAL	Emission Allowance	EA03	Emission allowances - CER
		EA04	Emission allowances - ERU
		EA05	Other emission allowances
SDRV	Securitised Derivatives	SDRV	Securitised derivatives
	Credit derivatives	CRE01	Index CDS
		CRE02	Single name CDS
CRDV		CRE03	CDS Index options
		CRE04	Single name CDS options
		CRE05	Other credit derivatives
		CFD01	Currency CFD
		CFD02	Commodity CFD
	Contract for	CFD03	Equity CFD
CFDS	Difference	CFD04	Bond CFD
	Siliciciice	CFD05	CFD on equity future/forward
		CFD06	CFD on an equity option
		CFD07	Other contracts for difference
SFPS	Structured	SFP01	Structured finance - passed Test1
2542	Finance	SFP02	Other structured finance

^{11.} LIS and SSTI thresholds are expressed in EUR (under element <Amt>) except for emission allowances and derivatives on emission allowances, where they are expressed in tons of carbon dioxid (under element <Nb>).



3 Instructions to download full and delta transparency results files from ESMA website

3.1 Timing of generation

- 12. The files published by ESMA on its website are generated:
 - a. on a weekly basis for the Full Files containing ISIN-level results (every Saturday)
 - b. on a daily basis for the Delta Files containing ISIN-level results; in case there is no change to publish on that day, no delta file is generated.
 - on a quarterly basis for the files containining sub-class/asset class³⁷ level results of systematic internalisers related calculations;
 - d. on a yearly (or ad-hoc) basis for the yearly derivative sub-class level calculation results and yearly bond LIS / SSTI thresholds calculation results file;

3.2 XML Format

- 13. The transparency calculation results files produced by FIRDS are structured as follows:
 - Encapsulation of a Business Application Header (BAH), and a Payload as per XML Schema head.003.001.01.xsd
 - b. The Business Application Header is generated as per XML Schema head.001.001.01_ESMAUG_1.0.0.xsd
 - c. The payload is generated as per XML Schema
 - auth.044.001.02_ESMAUG_DATECR_1.1.0.xsd for Equity calculation results full files (FULECR) and delta files (DLTECR) and
 - auth.045.001.03_ESMAUG_FULNCR_1.2.0.xsd for Non-Equity calculation results full files (FULNCR) and delta files (DLTNCR)
- 14. Link to XML Schema: https://www.esma.europa.eu/sites/default/files/library/esma65-11-1192_annex_firds_transparency_xml_schema_1.2.0.zip

3.3 File naming conventions

3.3.1 ISIN level calculation results files:

15. The full files will follow the following naming convention:

For Equities: FULECR_<Date>_<CFI 1st letter>_<Key1>of<Key2>.zip

For Non-Equities: FULNCR_<Date>_<CFI 1st letter>_<Key1>of<Key2>.zip

Where:

<Date> =YYYYMMDD.

<Key1> = The number of the file in the range produced for that day and that CFI 1st letter.

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<Key2> = The total number of files produced for that day and that CFI 1st letter.

Examples:

FULECR_20171104_E_10f1.zip FULNCR_20171104_D_10f1.zip FULNCR_20171104_O_10f2.zip FULNCR_20171104_O_20f2.zip

16. The delta file will follow the following naming convention.

For Equities: DLTECR_<Date>_<Key1>of<Key2>.zip

For Non-Equities: DLTNCR_<Date>_<Key1>of<Key2>.zip

Where:

<Date> =YYYYMMDD

<Key1> = The number of the file within the range produced for that day.

<Key2> = The total number of files produced for that day.

Examples:

DLTECR_20171106_01of01.zip DLTNCR_20171106_01of01.zip

3.3.2 Sub-class/asset-class level calculation results files (only for non-equities) 38:

17. Sub-class level calculation results full file will follow the following naming convention:

(Exists for non-equities yearly sub-class level calculation results only.)

FULNCR_ <date>_<Calculation type>_<Asset-class>_<Key1>of <Key2>.zip

Where:

<Date> =YYYYMMDD.

<Calculation type> = 'NYAR' in case sub-class level non-equity yearly transparency calculation results

= 'SISC' in case sub-class level non-equity systematic internaliser related calculation results

<Asset-Class> = asset-class information of the sub-classes as per defined in paragraph 10.

<Key1> = The number of the file in the range produced for that day and that Asset-class.

<Key2> = The total number of files produced for that day and that Asset-class.

Examples:

³⁸ Currently the sub-class level results are published in Excel formated files at the following page: <u>Annual transparency calculations for non-equity instruments (europa.eu)</u>. The new XML files will be published first following the go-live of the M3 changes of FITRS. after the go-live, expected in Q1 2022, There will be a transition period, when both the Excel and the XML format version of the sub-class level result files will be published. During this period the Excel files remain the official version. The duration of the transition period has not been determined yet.



FULNCR_20210401_NYAR_IRD_1of1.zip FULNCR_20210401_NYAR_EQD_1of2.zip FULNCR_20210701_SISC_IRD_1of1.zip FULNCR_20210701_SISC_EQD_1of2.zip

18. Asset-class level calculation results full file will follow the following naming convention39:

(Exists for non-equities asset-class level systematic internaliser calculation results only.)

FULNCR_ <date>_<Calculation type>_<Key1>of <Key2>.zip

Where:

<Date> =YYYYMMDD.

<Key1> = The number of the file in the range produced for that day and that Calculation type.

<Key2> = The total number of files produced for that day and that Calculation type.

Example:

FULNCR_20210701_SIAC_1of1.zip

3.4 Access to the files published (human interface)

19. Go to https://registers.esma.europa.eu/publication/ select register "Financial Instrument Transparency System"; or go directly to

https://registers.esma.europa.eu/publication/searchRegister?core=esma_registers_fitrs_files

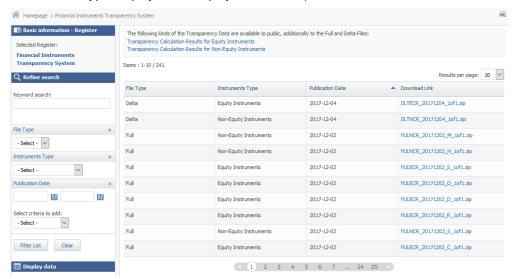


20. Use the Publication Date filter on the left hand side and click on "Filter list" to list all files published within the specified period. Additional filters are available to further refine the list (

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File type: ISIN-level results Full file/ISIN-level results Delta file/Sub-class level yearly calculation results/Sub-class level SI calculation results/Asset-class level SI calculation results, Instruments type: Equity / Non-Equity instruments)



21. Click on the Download Link for any of the files returned, in order to download the corresponding file.

3.5 Access to the files published (machine-to-machine interface)

- 22. To support automated download of the files, it is possible to list the files published on a specific date by sending an HTTP request.
- 23. The following HTTP request will return the list of the files published by ESMA on 24 November 2017

https://registers.esma.europa.eu/solr/esma_registers_fitrs_files/select?q=*&fq=creation_date:%5B 2017-11-24T00:00:00Z+TO+2017-11-24T23:59:59Z%5D&wt=xml&indent=true&start=0&rows=100

24. The below table explains each aspect of the above query so that it can be modified as required to meet necessary usage requirements

Query component	Description
q=*	This is the general query part of the request and tells the response to return all columns for a given result if one exists
fq=creation_date:%5B2017-11- 24T00:00:00Z+TO+2017-11- 24T23:59:59Z%5D	fq means the filtered query and supports restricting the data that is being search for. For the filtered query here, we are restricting by date – note both the latest date and earliest date are present and follow the ISO date format. Change the date to look for files from a different day or range of days
wt=xml	Response type e.g. xml, json



indent=true	Not necessary but assists to make the output more readable
start=0	The result to start outputting from. 0 works best but any number can be here and corresponds to which set of records to start outputting from
rows=100	The number of results to return. Default is 10

- 25. The combination of start and row is used to assist cycling over the results when multiple results are returned e.g. more than 100. To read a secondary list (100+) change start to 100 and leave rows as 100. The number of records that the query returns is given by attributes of the resultsFound list.
- 26. The response is an XML document. The URL to the files are located under the following XPath:
 - /response/result/doc/str[@name='download_link']
- 27. Note that the number of returned files returned will usually be greater than 1 for a given date.



4 Use of full and delta transparency calculation results files

4.1 Calculation results files for equity instruments (FULECR and DLTECR files)

- 28. FULECR / DLTECR records with empty Reporting Period⁴⁰ and tagged with "ESTM" methodology⁴¹ correspond to estimates; they apply from the day the instrument starts being traded, until six calendar weeks thereafter.
- 29. FULECR / DLTECR records with a Reporting Period⁴² of four calendar weeks and tagged with "FFWK" methodology correspond to calculations produced on the basis of the first four weeks of trading; they apply from six calendar weeks after the day when the instrument started being traded, until the next yearly calculation⁴³. The Reporting Period holds the first four weeks of trading of the instrument, as known by the system at the time of performing the calculations.

Date of first trade (first day of the Reporting Period)	Four-weeks calculation results apply until	First yearly calculation
From 3 December year (Y) to 2 December year (Y+1)	31 March year (Y+2)	Performed in year (Y+2) based on year (Y+1) trading activity

- 30. FULECR / DLTECR records with a Reporting Period of a full year (Y) and tagged with "YEAR" methodology correspond to calculations produced on the basis of a year of trading; they apply from 1 April of year (Y+1) until 31 March of year (Y+2).
- 31. FULECR / DLTECR records with a Reporting Period of 6-month and tagged with "SINT" methodology correspond to total number of transactions and total volume of trading over the last 6-months, used for the purpose of the SI regime for equity/equity-like instruments.
- 32. In summary, FULECR / DLTECR records can be in one of the following cases

Reporting period	Type of calculation	Type of instrument	Period of application
Empty	Estimates	Equity / Equity-like	Liquidity and LIS/SMS thresholds apply from first trading date for six weeks Calculation results may be updated e.g. when refined estimates are provided NCAs or ESMA.
Four calendar weeks	Calculations based on first four weeks of trading	Equity / Equity-like	Liquidity and LIS/SMS thresholds apply from six calendar weeks after the first

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⁴³ For instruments which start trading before 2/Dec of year Y, the next yearly calculations will be the yearly calculations performed on

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⁴³ For instruments which start trading before 2/Dec of year Y, the next yearly calculations will be the yearly calculations performed on year (Y+1) and applicable from 1 April (Y+1), whereas for instruments which start trading after 3/Dec of year Y, the next yearly calculations will be those performed on year (Y+2) and applicable from 1 April (Y+2)



Reporting period	Type of calculation	Type of instrument	Period of application
			trading date, until the next yearly calculation as per table 24
1/Jan/Y - 30/Jun/Y or 1/Apr/Y - 30/Sep/Y or 1/Jul/Y - 31/Dec/Y or 1/Oct/Y - 31/Mar/(Y+1)	SI regime calculations	Equity / Equity-like	The total number of transactions and total volume of trading over the last 6-months, used for the purpose of the SI regime.
1/Jan/Y – 31/Dec/Y	Yearly calculations	Equity / Equity-like	Liquidity and LIS/SMS thresholds apply from 1 April of year (Y+1) until 31 March of year (Y+2)

4.2 Calculation results files for non-equity instruments (FULNCR and DLTNCR files)

33. For non-equity instruments other than bonds, the system publishes results which correspond to calculations produced on the basis of a year of trading. Reporting Period is a full year (Y), and liquidity results are provided along with LIS / SSTI thresholds. The results apply from 1 June of year (Y+1) until 31 May of year (Y+2).

Reporting Period	Period of application of the results
1/Jan – 31/Dec year Y	1/June year (Y+1) – 31/May year (Y+2)

- 34. For bond instruments, two different processes with separate timings (quarterly vs yearly) are required for the liquidity assessment on one hand, and for the determination of LIS / SSTI thresholds on the other hand. As a consequence, liquidity and LIS / SSTI thresholds will be found in separate records
 - a. Results which Reporting Period is a full year (Y) correspond to calculations produced on the basis of a year of trading; for bond instruments, they only hold LIS / SSTI threshold and the liquidity flag is empty. The LIS / SSTI thresholds apply from 1 June of year (Y+1) until 31 May of year (Y+2).

Reporting Period	Period of application of the results
1/Jan – 31/Dec year Y	1/June year (Y+1) – 31/May year (Y+2)

b. Results which Reporting Period⁴⁴ is a quarter correspond to quarterly liquidity assessment for bonds; they apply for three months from the sixteenth day of the second month of the following quarter, as per table below.

Reporting Period	Period of application of the results
1/Jan – 31/March year Y	16/May – 15/Aug year Y

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1/Apr – 30/June year Y	16/Aug – 15/Nov year Y
1/July – 30/Sep year Y	16/Nov year Y - 15/Feb year (Y+1)
1/Oct – 31/Dec year Y	16/Feb year (Y+1) – 15/May year (Y+1)

c. Results with empty Reporting Period⁴⁵ only contain the liquidity flag for new bond instruments; they apply from the day the instrument starts being traded, until the next quarterly liquidity assessment for the bond, as per table below;

Date of first trade	Records with information on liquidity for new bonds apply until	First quarterly liquidity assessment
1/March – 31/May year Y	15/August year Y	Quarterly liquidity calculations made on the basis of Reporting Period 1/April – 30/June year Y
1/June – 31/August year Y	15/November year Y	Quarterly liquidity calculations made on the basis of Reporting Period 1/July – 30/September year Y
1/September – 30/November year Y	15/February year (Y+1)	Quarterly liquidity calculations made on the basis of Reporting Period 1/October – 31/December year Y
1/December year Y – end of February year (Y+1)	15/May year (Y+1)	Quarterly liquidity calculations made on the basis of Reporting Period 1/January – 31/March year (Y+1)

- d. Records with a Reporting Period of 6-month to total number of transactions and total volume of trading over the last 6-months, used for the purpose of the SI regime for non-equity instruments.
- 35. In summary, FULNCR / DLTNCR records can be in one of the following cases

Reporting period	Liquidity flag	Type of instrument	Period of application
1/Jan/Y – 31/Dec/Y	True or false (not empty)	Non-equity instrument other than bond	Liquidity and LIS/SSTI thresholds apply from 1/June year (Y+1) – 31/May year (Y+2) Calculation results may be updated over time e.g. when the instrument changes time-to-maturity bucket, in which case the

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			new results need to be applied.
	(empty)	Bond	LIS/SSTI thresholds apply from 1/June year (Y+1) – 31/May year (Y+2)
1/Jan/Y - 30/Jun/Y or 1/Apr/Y - 30/Sep/Y or 1/Jul/Y - 31/Dec/Y or 1/Oct/Y - 31/Mar/(Y+1)	(empty)	Bond	The total number of transactions and total volume of trading over the last 6-months, used for the purpose of the SI regime.
Quarter	True or false (not empty)	Bond	Liquidity flag applies from sixteenth of a month for three month as per table 28.b
Empty	True or false (not empty)	Bond	Liquidity flag applies from first trading date until sixteenth of a month as per table 28.c

4.3 Calculation results files for non-equity sub-classes/asset-classes (FULNCR files)

- 36. For non-equity sub-classes the system publishes results which correspond to calculations produced on the basis of a year of trading. Reporting Period is a full year (Y), and the published results contains:
 - a. the LIS/SSTI thresholds for bonds;
 - b. the liquidity flag/LIS/SSTI thersholds for derivatives.

The results apply from 1 June of year (Y+1) until 31 May of year (Y+2) or as communicated in case of an adhoc publication.

Reporting Period	Period of application of the results		
1/Jan – 31/Dec year Y	1/June year (Y+1) – 31/May year (Y+2) or as communicated in case of an ad-hoc publication;		

37. Sub-class result records with a Reporting Period of 6-month to total number of transactions and total volume of trading over the last 6-months, used for the purpose of the SI regime for non-equity instruments.



- 38. Asset-class result records with a Reporting Period of 6-month to total number of transactions and total volume of trading over the last 6-months, used for the purpose of the SI regime for non-equity instruments. 46
- 39. In summary, records providing results at sub-class or asset-class levels can be in one of the following cases:

Reporting period	Liquidity flag	Type of result record	Period of application
1/Jan/Y – 31/Dec/Y	True or false	Non-equity sub- class yearly transparency calculation result records	Liquidity (for derivatives only) and LIS/SSTI thresholds apply from 1/June year (Y+1) – 31/May year (Y+2) or as communicated in case of an ad-hoc publication;
1/Jan/Y - 30/Jun/Y or 1/Apr/Y - 30/Sep/Y or 1/Jul/Y - 31/Dec/Y or 1/Oct/Y - 31/Mar/(Y+1)	(empty)	Non-equity sub- class/asset-class level SI-related calculation result records	The total number of transactions and total volume of trading over the last 6-months, used for the purpose of the SI regime.

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