

Annual Best Execution Disclosure 2017

On an annual basis, Techinvest is required to provide disclosures around the execution venues utilised for each asset class and certain other information on the quality of execution. This information must be made publically available, in line with the requirements of Regulatory Technical Standard 28 (RTS 28) of the Markets in Financial Instruments II (MiFID II) regulations.

During 2017, Techinvest placed orders for two entities only, the **MFM Techinvest Technology Fund** and the **MFM Techinvest Special Situations Fund**. These Funds are categorised as Professional Clients. Clients of Techinvest are treated equally with the exception of instances whereby execution instructions are dictated by the client. Techinvest does not have any Retail Clients.

During 2017, all client orders placed by Techinvest were for equity instruments. All orders were placed with regulated stockbrokers. A full list of eligible stockbrokers is included in Techinvest's Best Execution Policy. The list of approved stockbrokers is reviewed regularly and may change over time. Any amendments to the approved stockbrokers list take into account a number of factors including the cost of execution, the execution performance of the counterparty and the reputational and regulatory standing of the entity. Techinvest does not receive payments, discounts, rebates or other non-monetary benefits relating to its trading arrangements. It is Techinvest's policy that other services (other than execution) offered by a stockbroker, such as company research, are paid for by Techinvest directly and not by its clients. Techinvest does not receive such services from stockbrokers unless they are considered of minor, non-monetary benefit and those services are not linked to trading activity.

Techinvest may, on behalf of its clients, invest in entities who are or whose sub entities include trading counterparties. However, this would not have any influence on the choice of counterparty for a particular order. For the avoidance of doubt, neither Techinvest Ltd nor its clients (the **MFM Techinvest Technology Fund** or **MFM Techinvest Special Situations Fund**) hold investments in any entities or parent firm of entities that are on its approved stockbroker list.

When determining the strategy for placing orders, Techinvest takes into consideration a number of execution factors dependent on the characteristics of the order and the prevailing market conditions. In determining the relative importance of execution factors, Techinvest also takes into account the objectives of each client, the specific instruments involved, and the execution venues or counterparties (stockbrokers) available for that particular order.

Orders raised by Techinvest Portfolio Managers are placed with appropriate approved counterparties for execution. In order to obtain the best possible result, the following factors are taken into account: price, cost of execution, size of transaction, speed of execution, likelihood of execution, counterparty risk and other specific considerations relevant to the transaction.

The price and cost of completing an order are normally the determining factors influencing the choice of counterparty for that order. However, in some cases, the speed or certainty of completion of the order may take a higher priority. This is particularly true for illiquid instruments where the size of the order is large relative to the total average daily volume traded for that instrument.

When information under Regulatory Technical Standard 27 is made available by execution venues and counterparties, Techinvest will make use of such information in its analysis and oversight of best execution. For the year ended 2017, Techinvest can confirm that it considers it has met its obligation to achieve the best possible result for its clients on a consistent basis.

RTS 28 requires that Techinvest list the top five execution venues/counterparties for each type of asset class traded. During calendar 2017, Techinvest placed orders for equity assets only (see the table below).

Equities – Shares & Depositary Receipts

Notification if <1 average trade per No business day in the previous year						
Top five execution venues in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class	Percentage of orders executed as a percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders	
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith (8NAV47T0Y26Q87Y0QP81)	76.26%	55.29%	N/A	N/A	0.00%	
FinnCap (213800DSWHX26RRA1N75)	10.16%	21.56%	N/A	N/A	0.00%	
Investec Bank (84S0VF8TSMH0T6D4K848)	4.13%	3.19%	N/A	N/A	0.00%	
Panmure Gordon (213800GM8RB7MS4L3Z24)	2.92%	5.39%	N/A	N/A	0.00%	
Goodbody Stockbrokers (635400IL71G3SXS7OE16)	2.62%	3.19%	N/A	N/A	0.00%	