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Notice to all Members,

# Sub: Invitation to apply for Designated Market Maker (DMM) Status in the specified DGCX Futures and Options Contracts

In pursuance of DGCX By-Laws and the Clearing Rules of the DCCC, the following is hereby notified:

Details of a Designated Market Maker (DMM) Scheme for the DGCX specified Futures and Options Contracts are provided in Annex 1.

This scheme is for the period of 12 months following Q1 2014 and is separate to the scheme for Q1 2014 that was advised in Notice No: MKTG-2013-030 on the 29th October 2013.

The DMM Scheme will run for a period of **12 months** from the **1st April 2014** to the close of business on the **31st March 2015**.

Applicants should complete and submit the provided DMM Application Form by close of business on the **2nd December 2013**. The DMM Application Form is provided in Annex 2.

The validity of application is subject to successful testing of the Applicants, their supporting infrastructure being capable of supporting market making activity and their previous track record of Market Making with DGCX.

Members are requested to take note of the above.

For Dubai Gold & Commodities Exchange

lan Wright Chief Business Officer





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## Annex 1: DGCX Futures and Options Contracts Designated Market Maker Scheme Details

## 1. Introduction

This Designated Market Maker (DMM) Scheme is intended to encourage liquidity in the DGCX Futures Contracts by inviting DMMs to provide competitive two-way price quotes at, or better than, defined volumes and depths in the DGCX order book.

The DMM Scheme is open to all existing Broker and Trade Members and also to all Clients that hold accounts with a Broker Clearing Member.

EOS, the new technology platform introduced by the Exchange offers DMM with distinct advantages.

- 1.1 Speed of The Trading Engine : The new technology provided by Cinnober Systems makes DGCX one of the fastest exchanges in the world in terms of speed of order execution.
- 1.2 MASS Quote : Several bid ask, strikes in "one message", cancellation of multiple quotes in one go.
- 1.3 Industry standard FIX 5.0 compliant for order routing.
- 1.4 Easily available co-location facilities.

#### 2. Benefits for DMMs

## 2.1. Subject to fulfillment of the obligation as per clause 3 below, each DMM will receive:

- 2.1.1. A waiver on Exchange transaction fees for DMM transactions in the DGCX Futures Contracts in which they are acting as a DMM; and
- 2.1.2. A waiver of Exchange co-location fees, where otherwise applicable, and
- 2.1.3. A monthly stipend that reflects the DMM's costs of acting in a DMM capacity.





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\*Clearing fee, currently US¢10 per contract per side & SCA regulatory fees, currently US¢2 per contract per side that apply to DGCX Contracts shall be passed on by DGCX, and will be incurred by the DMM.

**2.2.** The names of DMMs and the nature of their commitments may be promoted by the Exchange, and included on the DGCX website. Applicants not wishing their names to appear in such publicity should mention this on their application.

## 3. DMM Obligations

- **3.1.** Obligations are detailed in Appendix A which outlines the benchmarks that the Exchange would expect a DMM to fulfill; however, applicants may include obligations in their applications, which vary from the benchmarks detailed.
- **3.2.** Applicants should state in their application, the contract(s) in which they wish to act as a Market Maker and the obligations that they would be prepared to meet. Appendix A sets out the minimum obligations. Applications which improve upon the obligations set out in the attached Appendix A are encouraged.
- **3.3.** Applicants and their respective Clearing Members must ensure that they have sufficient clearing commitment deposited with the DCCC to fulfill their DMM obligations at all times.
- **3.4.** For first time Market Makers on the Exchange, Applicants must successfully test their market making capability, including their infrastructure to support Market Making to DGCX's satisfaction. It is expected to be carried out at least two weeks prior to signing of Market Making agreement.

## 4. Application Process

**4.1** All applicants with appropriate trading rights and clearing arrangements are eligible to apply for DMM status. Applicants should submit a completed DMM Application Form, provided in Annex 2, by close of business on the **1st December 2013.** 





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Members can apply to become a DMM in their own right. Where the Member is not a Clearing Member, the Member should only apply for DMM status with the agreement of the relevant Broker Clearing Member.

A Non-Member may undertake the market making activities on behalf of a Broker Clearing Member; however, in such cases the performance of the DMM obligations remain the sole responsibility of the Broker Clearing Member and, as such, DMM applications must be submitted to the Exchange through, and with the full understanding, of the respective Broker Clearing Member.

All applicants are expected to carry out their Market Making commitments starting from the **1st January 2014**.

- **4.2** The applicant should state:
  - the products in which they wish to participate as a DMM;
  - the obligations that they are prepared to meet for each contract;
  - and the stipend payment that they wish to charge for performing the obligations.

Applicants should also provide detailed supporting information with their application (which they feel would be relevant) including, but not limited to, the following:

- the number and experience of staff, both in terms of responsible persons and other staff, available to support the market making
- the trading system and support they will be using, and the likely message per second usage. DMM using automated software will be given preference over manual and other methods.
- the level of risk capital that they will commit to support the market making commitment
- previous market making experience at either DGCX and/or other derivative exchanges
- Connectivity to be used to access DGCX.





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The Exchange reserves the right to introduce daily message allocation for price injection models used by the DMM in fulfilling its obligations.

4.3 DMMs will be appointed through a competitive tender process. A Market Maker Review Panel, comprising DGCX executives, will evaluate the applications received for DMM status in the Contracts. The decision(s) taken by the Panel shall be final and shall not be subject to external scrutiny.

The Exchange will appoint, at its absolute discretion, as many DMMs as it deems appropriate with the objective of providing the maximum benefit to the market whilst ensuring the effective operation of the DMM Scheme.

- 4.4 The appointment of a DMM will be subject to contract between the DMM and the Exchange. A completed application form does not constitute such a contract. Members who have made successful applications will receive a formal contract for signature from the Exchange.
- 4.5 The DMM will be required to meet its obligations in full. Should circumstances arise which prevent this, the DMM will have to notify DGCX immediately that it is unable to fulfill its DMM obligations for a period of time, and advise DGCX what is being done to rectify the situation.
- 4.6 Should a DMM materially fail to meet their obligations the Exchange may terminate the DMM's participation in this scheme, or reduce or remove any entitlement of the DMM and, where appropriate, to re-charge in part or in full any rebates and payments made under the terms of this DMM scheme.





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## Appendix A to Annex 1 - Designated Market Maker Benchmark Obligations

- The DMM will quote two way prices continuously for a minimum proportion of the Trading Day and, at the minimum sizes and maximum spreads required for the specified DGCX contracts, as reflected in Tables 1 to Table 22 below.
- 2. In addition to the quote obligations specified in Table 1 to Table 22, the DMM will provide minimum depth of three (3) levels in the order book through two way prices or as agreed with DGCX on specific products.
- 3. In relation to the front month Contracts, the DMM is expected to meet their obligations up to the last Trading Day of that Contract and subsequently make markets in the succeeding front and second month, as required.
- 4 The DMM will be expected to quote the spread contract (M1/M2) from the seventh (7<sup>th</sup>) business day prior to the start of the tender period for all Contracts.
- 5. In the case of an announcement of significant economic news and during periods of significant market volatility the DMM would be permitted, after prior agreement with DGCX, to widen its spread by 2 times the agreed spread.
- 6. The DMM will respond to Request for Quotes (RFQ) to the best of their ability.
- 7. For further information prospective applicants should contact: Product Management at products@dgcx.ae





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### A. COMMODITIES.

#### A.1 Precious Metals.

#### When the defined reference market is open:

Table	1.	Quote	for	Level	1
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	Front M	Ionth	Second Month	
Futures Contract	Min Quantity (Lots)	Max Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)	Min Quantity (Lots)	Max Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)
GOLD	6	3	6	5
SILVER	5	4	5	6
GOLD Spread (M1-M2)	6	2		
SILVER Spread (M1-M2)	5	2		

\*Note 1: Complete margin offsets are available for quoting on the spread window Note 2: The system supports "implied-in" and "implied-out" spread trading from a technology perspective

#### Table 2. Depth of Quote (Ladder)

Precious Metal	Level	Min Quantity (Lots)	Max Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)
Gold 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 2	21	5
Gold 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 3	21	7
Gold 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	Level 2	6	7
Gold 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	Level 3	6	9
Silver 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 2	10	6
Silver 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 3	10	8
Silver 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	Level 2	5	8
Silver 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	Level 3	5	10

 Table 3. Capital Allocation (margin provision, per product)

Precious Metal	Capital as Collateral
Gold	USD 3 million
Silver	USD 3 million





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#### A.2 Base Metals.

#### When the defined reference market is open:

#### **Copper Futures**

Table 4. Quote for Level 1

Futures Contract	Min Quantity (Lots)	Max Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)
Copper 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	5	3
Copper 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	5	6
Copper (M1-M2)	5	3

\*Note 1: Complete margin offsets are available for quoting on the spread window Note 2: The system supports "implied-in" and "implied-out" spread trading from a technology perspective

## Table 5. Depth of Quote (Ladder)

Copper Futures	Level	Min Quantity (Lots)	Max Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)
Copper 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 2	10	5
Copper 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 3	15	7
Copper 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	Level 2	10	8
Copper 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	Level 3	15	10

 Table 6. Capital Allocation

Contract	Capital as Collateral
Copper	USD 3 million





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#### B. CURRENCIES.

### B.1 Indian Rupee Futures.

Table 7. Quote for Level 1

Futures Contract	Min Quantity (Lots)	Max Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)
MINI INR 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	40	2
INR 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	5	2
INR 3 <sup>rd</sup> Month	5	2
INR 4 <sup>th</sup> Month	3	4
INR 6 <sup>th</sup> Month	3	4
INR Spread (M1-M2)	5	1
INR Spread (M1-M3)	5	1

\*Note 1: Complete margin offsets are available for quoting on the spread window Note 2: The system supports "implied-in" and "implied-out" spread trading from a technology perspective

#### Table 8. Depth of Quote (Ladder)

INR and MINI INR	Level	Min Quantity (Lots)	Max Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)
MINI INR 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 2	15	4
MINI INR 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 3	15	6
INR 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	Level 2	3	4
INR 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	Level 3	2	6

Table 9. Capital Allocation (margin provision, per product)

Contract	Capital as Collateral
MINI INR	USD 300,000
INR	USD 3 million





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## B.2 Indian Rupee Options (INRO).

#### Table 10. Quote for Level 1

1 <sup>st</sup> month Call/Put Options Contract	Min Quantity (Lots)	Max Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)
2 ITM INRO	2	6
1 Near ATM INRO	2	4
2 OTM INRO	2	6

\*ITM refers to In-the-money options, ATM refers to At-the-money options, and OTM refers to Out-of-the –money options.

### Table 11. Capital Allocation

Contract	Capital as Collateral
INRO	USD 1 million





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## B.3 G6 Currency Futures (vUSD).

Table 12. Quote for Level 1

Futures Contract	Min Quantity (Lots)	Max Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)
EUR 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	8	3
EUR 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	4	3
EUR (M1-M2)	4	3
GBP 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	3	3
CHF 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	3	3
CAD 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	3	3
AUD 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	3	3
JPY 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	3	3

\*Note 1: Complete margin offsets are available for quoting on the spread window Note 2: The system supports "implied-in" and "implied-out" spread trading from a technology perspective

#### Table 13. Depth of Quote (Ladder)

Contract	Level	Min Quantity (Lots)	Max Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)
EUR 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 2	3	4
EUR 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 3	3	6

Table 14. Capital Allocation (margin provision, per product group)

Contract	Capital as Collateral	
EUR	USD 3 million	
GBP, AUD, CHF, JPY, CAD	USD 1 million	





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## C. EQUITY PRODUCTS

## C.1 EQUITY INDEX FUTURES.

#### C.1.1 When underlying markets in India are open:

Table 15. Quote for Level 1.

Futures Contract	Min Quantity (Lots)	Max Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)
SENSEX 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	3	6
SENSEX 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	3	8
SENSEX Spread (M1-M2)	5	2
MSCI 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	5	2
MSCI 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	5	7
MSCI Spread (M1-M2)	10	4

\*Note 1: Complete margin offsets are available for quoting on the spread window Note 2: The system supports "implied-in" and "implied-out" spread trading from a technology perspective

#### Table 16. Depth of Quote (Ladder)

Contract	Level	Min Quantity (Lots)	Max Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)
SENSEX 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 2	3	7
SENSEX 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 3	3	10
MSCI 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 2	5	4
MSCI 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 3	5	5





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## C.1.2 When underlying markets in India are closed.

DMM obligation to be present 80% of the trade time when underlying Indian markets are closed.

Table 17. Quote for Level 1

Futures Contract	Min Quantity (Lots)	Max Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)
SENSEX 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	3 30	
SENSEX 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	Best efforts basis	
SENSEX Spread (M1-M2)	Best efforts basis	
MSCI 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	5 15	
MSCI 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	Best efforts basis	
MSCI Spread (M1-M2)	Best efforts basis	

## Table 18. Depth of Quote (Ladder)

Contract	Level	Min Quantity (Lots)	Max Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)
SENSEX 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 2	3	35
SENSEX 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 3	Best Efforts Basis	
MSCI 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 2	3	20
MSCI 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 3	Best Efforts Basis	

Table 19. Capital Allocation (margin provision, per product)

Contract	Capital as Collateral	
S&P BSE SENSEX	USD 1 million	
MSCI India	USD 2 million	





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#### D. HYDROCARBONS.

When the defined reference market is open.

## D.1 Energy and Petrochemical Futures.

Table 20. Quote for Level 1

Futures Contract	Min Quantity (Lots)	Max Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)
WTI1 <sup>st</sup> Month	5	4
WTI 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	5	6
WTI Spread (M1-M2)	5	5
Polypropylene 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	5	10
Polypropylene 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	5	15
Polypropylene Spread (M1-M2)	5	5

\*Note 1: Complete margin offsets are available for quoting on the spread window Note 2: The system supports "implied-in" and "implied-out" spread trading from a technology perspective

## Table 21. Depth of Quote (Ladder)

Contract	Level	Min Quantity (Lots)	Max Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)
WTI 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 2	2	6
WTI 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 3	2	8
Polypropylene 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 2	5	15
Polypropylene 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 3	5	20

 Table 22. Capital Allocation (margin provision, per product)

Contract	Capital as Collateral
WTI	USD 1 million
Polypropylene	USD 500,000





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## Annex 2 – DMM APPLICATION FORM

- 1. Name of Member:
- 2. Name of Client (where a Client wishes to be a DMM via a Broker Clearing Member, subject to an application being supported by a copy of an agreement with a Broker Clearing Member):
- 3. Membership Type:
- 4. Clearing Member to be used, if not a Clearing Member:
- 5. Name and designation of main contact person to discuss this application:







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The List of Future Products on which the Applicant seeks to make markets in:

Futures/Options and	d Quote Details		
Proposed Futures Contracts	Min Quantity (Lots)	Max Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)	STIPEND
GOLD 1 <sup>st</sup> Month			
GOLD 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month			
SILVER 1 <sup>st</sup> Month			
SILVER 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month			
GOLD SPREAD (M1-M2)			
SILVER SPREAD(M1-M2)			
MINI INR 1 <sup>st</sup> Month			
INR 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month			
INR 3 <sup>rd</sup> Month			
INR 4 <sup>th</sup> Month			
INR 6 <sup>th</sup> Month			
INR Spread (M1-M2)			
INR Spread (M1-M3)			
2 ITM INRO			
ATM INRO			
2 OTM INRO			
EUR USD 1 <sup>st</sup> Month			
EUR USD 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month			
EUR USD (M1-M2)			
GBP 1 <sup>st</sup> Month			
JPY 1 <sup>st</sup> Month			
CHF 1 <sup>st</sup> Month			
AUD 1 <sup>st</sup> Month			
CAD 1 <sup>st</sup> Month			
Copper 1 <sup>st</sup> Month			
Copper 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month			
SENSEX 1 <sup>st</sup> Month			
SENSEX 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month			
SENSEX (M1-M2)			

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MSCI 1 <sup>st</sup> Month		
MSCI 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month		
MSCI (M1 – M2)		
WTI1 <sup>st</sup> Month		
WTI 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month		
Polypropylene 1 <sup>st</sup> Month		
Polypropylene 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month		

## LADDER

Futures and Proposed Futures Contracts	Level	Minimum Spread vs Level 1 (Number of Ticks)	Bid/Offer Spread (Ticks)	No. of Lots
Gold 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 2			
Gold 1st Month	Level 3			
Silver 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 2			
Silver 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 3			
Copper 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 2			
Copper 1st Month	Level 3			
EURO 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 2			
EURO 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 3			
SENSEX 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 2			
SENSEX 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 3			
MSCI 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 2			
MSCI 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 3			
INR 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	Level 2			
INR 2 <sup>nd</sup> Month	Level 3			
WTI1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 2			
WTI1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 3			
Polypropylene 1 <sup>st</sup>	Level 2			
Month				
Polypropylene 1 <sup>st</sup> Month	Level 3			





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#### CAPITAL COMMITMENT

Futures and Proposed Futures Contracts	Capital as Collateral
GOLD	
SILVER	
INR	
INRM	
INRO	
COPPER	
SENSEX	
MSCI	
DEUR	
DCHF, DGBP, DJPY, DCAD, DAUD	
WTI	
Polypropylene	

6. The period of the Trading Day in which it is proposed to act as a DMM (the minimum obligation is 95% of the DGCX Trading Day): The DMM can specify product specific availability percentages as per tick size and lot size separately

7.	Market Making Experience in related ma	arkets:	Yes D		No 🗆	
	If yes, state the number of years:					
	Which Exchange/Markets:					
8.	Trading system used:					
	Method of trading:	Manua	l		Automated	
	Do you currently have automated softwa	are:	Yes		No	
9.	Number of sources used as based price	es to sup	oport m	arket m	aking operatio	n:
10	. Connectivity used to connect DGCX:					
11	. Market Making software to be used if ar	ıy:				





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12. Counterparty arrangements	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
13. Banking Arrangements to meet DMM obligations	Yes 🗆	No 🗆

14. Email id(s) you wish to register for Request For Quotes purpose:

15. Name(s) of proposed Market Maker Traders (MMT) responsible for market making: (Please include their CVs)

16. Date from which the applicant can carry out market making commitments:

17. Company can be promoted as DMM for publicity purposes: Yes I No I Please attach any additional information that may be relevant to the application

The Applicant hereby declares that all the information contained in this application form, and
otherwise supplied, is complete, true, accurate and not misleading.

Authorized Signature:

Name:

Designation:

Date:

#### Please return by the close of business on the 1st December 2013 to:

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