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HSBC LAUNCHES NEW EQUITY DERIVATIVE WEBSITE

Optimised Search Engine to Help Investors Grasp Opportunities

HSBC today announced the launch of a new website for clients investing in Hong Kong-listed warrants and callable bull/bear contracts (CBBCs). Investors will be able to use the site's sophisticated and comprehensive search function to select products which suit their investment strategy.

Nicola Pantone, Managing Director and Head of Wealth Sales, Asia-Pacific, HSBC, said, "We are excited to launch this new website that incorporates several new analytics and informative features, which we believe will help investors better understand market dynamics and will enhance their ability to better manage their portfolio. Hong Kong is one of the most active securitised derivatives markets in the world and HSBC's commitment to serving clients investing in this dynamic market is reflected by our leading position as warrant and CBBC issuer, and liquidity provider. With much greater interaction between China and Hong Kong, since the launches of the Stock Connect schemes, we believe Hong Kong's equity market will continue to offer great opportunities for investors."

Hong Kong is established as the one of the world's leading equity derivatives markets. The number of newly listed warrants and CBBCs reached a record high at 21,224 in 2017, representing a year-on-year increase by 54%. Total turnover of warrants and CBBCs were HKD3 trillion and HKD1.19 trillion respectively*.

The new website features an optimised search engine that allows investors to identify warrants or CBBC by issuer name, predefined investment strategy (such as active quote, high gearing and risk), effective gearing, time to maturity, implied volatility and delta, among other variables. Investors who would like to search for a more precise product can create their own search criteria of up to 19 items.

Once a product is selected, investors can execute a trading idea as they will be taken directly to the HSBC Personal Internet Banking platform. From market insights, sector

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analysis and individual product performance to transaction execution, investors can enjoy the distinctive advantages of a one-stop-shop.

The new website is available in English, Traditional Chinese and Simplified Chinese. Moreover, it is designed based on high accessibility standards to ensure a positive user experience for disabled clients and compatibility with devices including smartphones, tablets and laptops.

For more information, please visit www.warrants.hsbc.com.hk.

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