

ISDA Publishes Preliminary Results of Benchmark Fallbacks Consultation on Pre-cessation Issues

NEW YORK, August 9, 2019 – The International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. (ISDA) has today <u>published a statement</u> summarizing the preliminary results of a consultation on pre-cessation issues for LIBOR and certain other interbank offered rates (IBORs).

The <u>consultation on pre-cessation issues</u> was launched in May, and sought comment on how derivatives contracts should address a regulatory announcement that LIBOR or certain other IBORs categorized as critical benchmarks under the EU Benchmarks Regulation¹ are no longer representative of an underlying market.

The full ISDA statement is available on the ISDA website.

This consultation follows a <u>request by the Financial Stability Board's Official Sector Steering Group (FSB OSSG)</u> for ISDA to request comment on the events that should trigger a move to a spread-adjusted fallback rate for LIBOR.

ISDA hopes to publish additional information – including anonymized and aggregated responses to the consultation – in September.

View the preliminary results of the consultation on pre-cessation issues here.

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The consultation on pre-cessation issues does not cover yen TIBOR, euroyen TIBOR, BBSW, HIBOR or CDOR. The consultation covers SOR only insofar as to consider if the SOR fallback for a US dollar LIBOR index cessation event – which is separately being consulted upon currently – should also apply in the event of a US dollar LIBOR pre-cessation trigger

About ISDA

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