

# Minutes of the Operations Managers Working Group (OMWG)

# Meeting, April 10, 2018

Host: Federal Reserve Bank of New York (FRBNY)

#### **OMWG Attendees:**

James Wallin Alliance Bernstein Laura Coward Bank of Montreal **Tony Rocchio BNY** Mellon Paul Trotti **Barclays** Capital Mark Cox Blackrock Bloomberg John Fusco Brown Brothers Harriman Kenneth Rozycki Alfred Pollock Citigroup Eaton Vance **Courtney Graham** Juna Nashi Goldman Sachs & Co. Nicholas Picini **HSBC** James Andrews JP Morgan Chase JP Morgan Chase Matthew Smith PIMCO Marcellus Fisher Anthony Ghibesi Standard Chartered Paul Christakos UBS Rob Eby Wells Fargo Tahir Mahmood Wells Fargo

#### Federal Reserve Bank of New York (Ex Officio)

Christina Getz Thomas Noone, Counsel Geza Sardi

#### **Annual Antitrust Reminder**

Thomas Noone of FRBNY legal discussed the Committee's antitrust guidelines as part of the standard procedure for the first meeting of the year. He directed the members to review the guidelines and to reach out to him and/or to their own firms' internal counsel should they have questions. Members were also directed to circulate the antitrust guidelines with those in their organization that may assist in OMWG efforts.



### **OMWG 2018 Priorities**

Member discussed priorities for the coming year, including cyber exercises, recovery and resolution testing, MiFID implementation, and new settlement technologies, such as real-time settlement. The group will work to continue to finalize its objectives and develop plans to move forward in these areas.

## FMLG and FXC Update

Thomas Noone updated the OMWG on the Financial Markets Lawyers Group (FMLG) project to review the FXC's and FMLG's best practices. This project covers a review of all existing documentation on the FXC and FMLG websites, including those published by the OMWG. It was noted that FX Global Code is the set of best practices endorsed by the FXC and historical documents should be archived. The group discussed identifying sections of existing OMWG materials that might still be viewed as useful and to develop a plan around how to present those materials going forward.

## Third-party Payments in FX

At the suggestion of the FMLG, the group discussed third-party payment scenarios with a view on whether market practice guidance on such payments could ease any associated operational challenges. Members noted that a variety of non-operational factors would need to be considered before a third-party payment guidance could be issued and operational challenges seemed relatively less pertinent.

#### **Administrative Matters**

The next meeting of the OMWG is scheduled to take place on September 12, 2018 at the FRBNY.