



NEW, INNOVATIVE INDEX PROVIDER FOUNDED BY INDUSTRY EXPERTS

LIMEYARD partners with the Vienna Stock Exchange to add real-time index calculation and data dissemination to its proprietary and non-proprietary index offering

07 March 2018, in Zurich – LIMEYARD is delighted to announce a strategic partnership with the Vienna Stock Exchange (Wiener Börse AG) aimed at strengthening its index offering globally by providing real-time index calculation and data dissemination.

LIMEYARD is a new, cutting-edge index provider launched in Zurich with in-depth knowledge of the market's needs. Based on a unique cloud-based infrastructure offering a fast and secure environment, the index provider designs both white-labelled and LIMEYARD-branded indices. Founded by its Managing Partner and led by a team of reputable industry experts, the index provider has offices in New York, Paris, Zurich and now Vienna.

The Vienna Stock Exchange has acquired a stake in and is forming a joint-venture with LIMEYARD. This partnership will enable the two companies to benefit from significant synergies to develop an innovative range of indices. LIMEYARD provides its know-how in index operations, research, and product innovation as well as customer support. The Vienna Stock Exchange brings in real-time index calculation and data dissemination expertise on its internationally recognized infrastructure. The parties have agreed not to disclose the details of the transaction.

The index offering targets financial institutions using indices as underlyings for financial products such as certificates, warrants, bonds, ETFs (exchange-traded funds), and standardized derivatives such as futures and options.

Patrick Valovic, Founder & Managing Partner of LIMEYARD, commented: "Our ambition to compete with traditional index providers as a highly efficient, fully client-centric index provider makes our joint venture with the Vienna Stock Exchange a perfect fit. While we continue to establish a global range of "plain-vanilla" and innovative index offerings, we are now also able to offer our services in real time to a broader client base, together with the Vienna Stock Exchange. The close relationship between LIMEYARD and the Vienna Stock Exchange will further enable us to meet our clients' needs in the best possible way."

Christoph Boschan, CEO of the Vienna Stock Exchange, added: "With this move, we are pushing our growth strategy even further by diversifying our index business. LIMEYARD is the ideal partner for us thanks to their tech-driven innovation and agile approach to index calculation. Our customers will benefit from faster, automated services that have a high degree of reliability and a global scope. We're happy to support the scaling-up of a thriving fintech such as LIMEYARD while also taking our index business to the next level. Working closely together will enable us to benefit from synergies in index innovation, calculation and development. And by calculating global indices in the future, we will increase our international visibility as a trading place."

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ABOUT LIMEYARD

LIMEYARD is a Swiss based index provider founded in July 2016, with offices in Zurich, Paris, New York and Vienna. Led by a team of six industry experts, it focuses on both proprietary and non-proprietary indices. LIMEYARD is combining cutting edge index innovation with a state of the art cloud-based technology. Its fast-growing family of global indices are rule-based, compliant, traditional and smart-beta investable solutions for institutions on the sell side and on the buy side. The tailor-made index offering covers the full value chain from index development to dissemination, end-of-day and real time. Its client centric focus approach aims to provide top quality, short time-to-market, agile and flexible solutions at the best price. LIMEYARD has entered into a joint venture with Wiener Börse AG in February 2018. For more information, please visit www.limeyard.ch

ABOUT THE VIENNA STOCK EXCHANGE

The Vienna Stock Exchange is the only securities exchange in Austria. It features a modern infrastructure and supplies market data and relevant information. It offers Austrian companies maximum visibility, high liquidity and utmost transparency. Investors can rely on the smooth and efficient execution of exchange trades. The Vienna Stock Exchange operates a central market data feed for Central and Eastern Europe (CEE) and is well established as an expert for the calculation of indices with a reference to the region. Together with its holding company, CEESEG, it cooperates with over ten stock exchanges in CEE and is highly appreciated worldwide for this unique know-how.

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