

# TRENDS IN EQUITY DERIVATIVES AND STRUCTURED PRODUCTS

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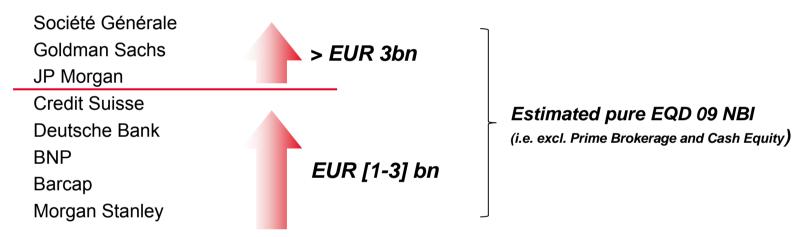
- What Has Changed Since 2006?
- **■** Lessons From the crisis
- Looking Forward: Still a Growing Business?
- **■** Conclusion





# What has happened since 2006 in the competitive landscape?

- ✓ 2008 was an earthquake in the Equity Derivatives industry
- ✓ Equity Derivatives leaders are still here



## ✓ Many banks have disappeared or reduced their ambitions

ABN Amro Lehman Brothers

BBVA Merrill Lynch

Bear Stearns Santander

Crédit Agricole UBS

Commerzbank Dresdner

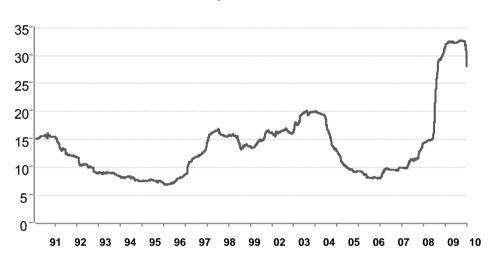
Source: Analysts' estimates

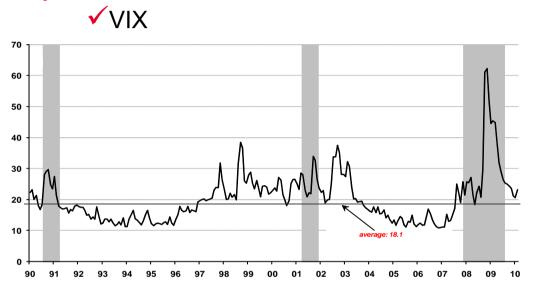


#### WHAT HAS CHANGED SINCE 2006?

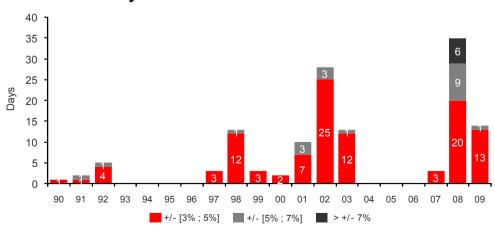
# The EQD world has experienced exceptional market conditions

✓ MSCI Volatility



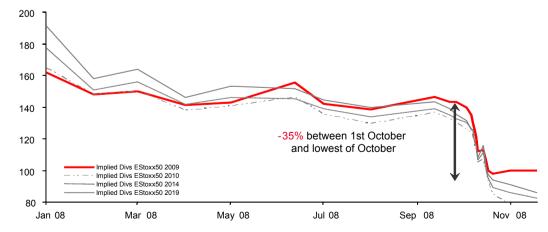


✓ Daily variations of Eurostoxx 50



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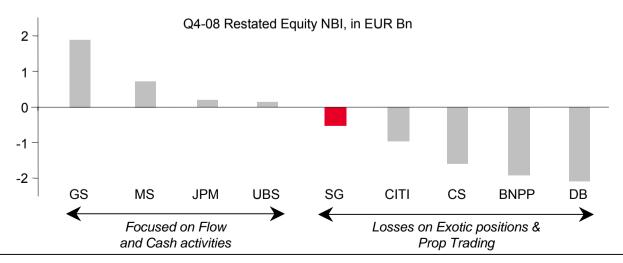
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### How did we handle the 2008 crisis?

- ✓ SG was well-armed to weather the storm for its clients and for itself
  - push of ART¹deals to transfer unwanted risks (reduction of our exposure on dividends and correlation)
  - a strong capacity to manage market risks:
    - anticipation of market dislocation
    - conservative management of VarSwap positions (between Jan 08 and LB's bankruptcy, we had divided by 5 our exposure of VarSwaps)
- ✓ These prudent positions allowed us
  - to be one of the very few market makers available 24/24 in Oct. and Nov.
  - to post contained losses in Q4-08 compared to our peers







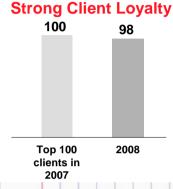
# How have we handled the Fraud Recovery? Looking beyond to improve our risk management Strong Client Loyalty

- ✓ Key assets: strong staff and client loyalty reflected in continued market and client recognition, sound trading books coupled with conservative risk management
- ✓ An ambitious Fighting Back program to regain confidence
  - Reinforce limits set-up
  - Improve IT security
  - Change our practices
  - Enhance operational controls
- ✓ EUR 150m Budget
- √ 300 dedicated employees
- √ 3 Years plan
- ✓ Global Consulting & Audit Plan



#### **Worldwide implementation**

- ✓ Looking forward: a strong willingness to become a best-in-class and to further mitigate operational risk
  - Continuation of Fighting Back within the C.O.S.I project, launched in June 2009
  - Set highest level of standards on key operational risk hotspots
  - Improve P&L production and explanation
  - Improve business continuity capability
  - Ensure highest standards in terms of internal control



- Control of significant size transaction
- Control on nominal and futures positions
- ✓ Confirmation & monitoring of deferred transactions
- ✓ Confirmation of internal/ intercos deals
- ✓ Control of amend & cancellations
- ✓ Control of brokerage fees
- Holiday monitoring
- ✓ Margin calls/futures monitoring
- ✓ Control of technical counterparties
- ✓ Control of out of market price transactions
- ✓ Control of large payments
- Control of cash levels
- ✓ Control of non-transactional flows
- Control of nostri accounts
- ✓ Control of unsettled securities loans / borrowings
- ✓ Control of delayed data entry
- ✓ Control of buffer bases



#### **LESSONS FROM THE CRISIS**

## After the storm, towards a new financial world

#### FOLLOWING 2008 CRISIS ...

#### while several players disappeared or closed some activities...

Lehman Brothers, Merrill Lynch, Bear Stearns, Dresdner, ABN Amro

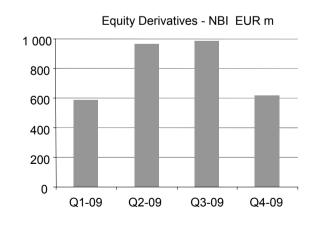
#### ...others made choices to reshape their Equity business

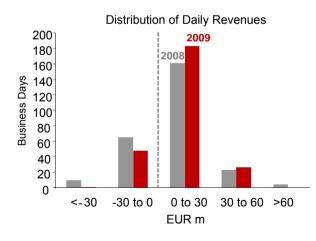
Focus on Flow activities (Morgan Stanley, JP Morgan)
 Closing of Proprietary Trading activities (Morgan Stanley, UBS)

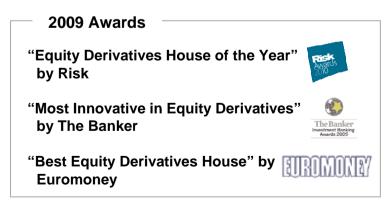
#### SG made the choice of a Balanced business between Flow & Structured Products

while containing Proprietary Trading activities and implementing a global markets organization

#### This enabled SG to post a strong performance in 2009



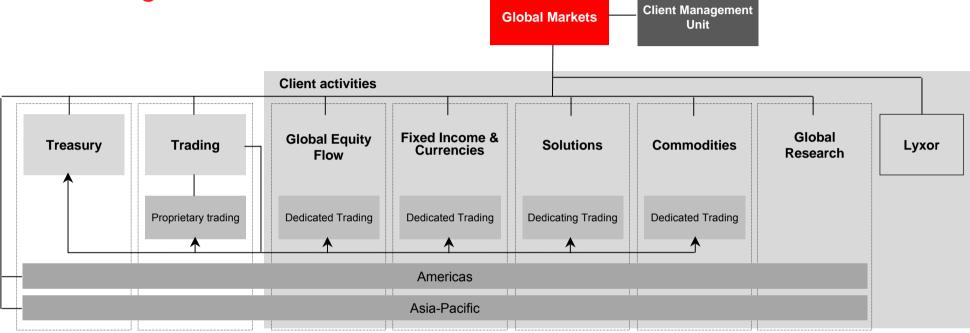






#### **LESSONS FROM THE CRISIS**

# A new organization





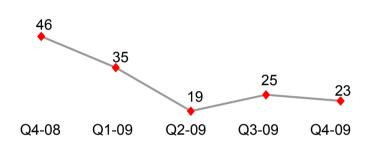
- Optimization of Risk Management
- Cross assets approach on Structured Products, Research, PT activities
- Specific management of Proprietary Trading activities
- Global research
- Optimization of consumption of Scarce Resources
- Share of best practices on sales side
- Optimization of Operations and IT processes

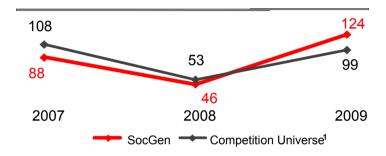
#### **LESSONS FROM THE CRISIS**



# Improve the risk profile and change the way we manage risks

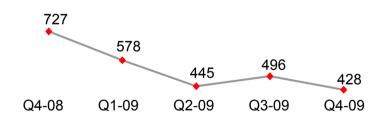
#### **Equity Trading VaR (EUR m)**



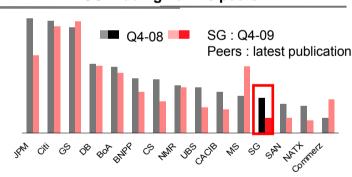


One of the best ratio NBI/Var of the industry

#### Equity stress test (EUR m)



#### SG Trading VaR vs peers



#### A new risk monitoring approach

- Dislocation analysis
- Avoid Concentration risks
- Take Liquidity into account



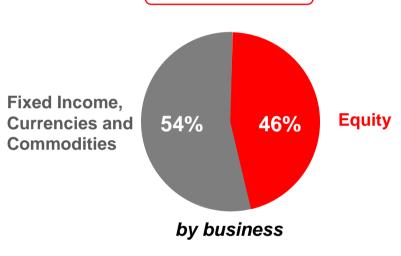
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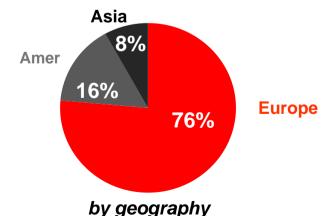


# A well-balanced business model is key for the future

#### Global Markets 2009 Revenues breakdown

EUR 7.2bn







#### **Developed Flow activities**

- #2 in dividend futures & index futures on Eurex
- #1 in warrants worldwide
- #2 ETF provider in Europe in 2009 with 20.8%
   Market Share in AuM, #4 largest ETF issuer worldwide



#### **Strong Structured activities**

- Franchise as strong as ever
- Distribution and Institutions
- Equity and Fund derivatives
- Within a global cross-asset entity



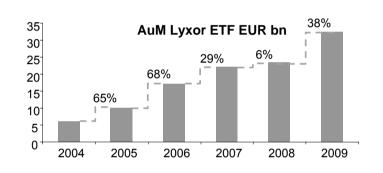
#### **Limited Trading**

- Mostly in relation to clients' trades
- Liquid assets
- No directional position
- Limited contribution of Prop trading to SGCIB revenues



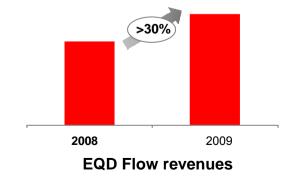
# Focus on Flow Products - We are well positioned on markets that are growing profitably

■ ETF & WARRANTS: ambition to double the ETF business while maintaining our leadership on warrants



- SG is the global leader on Warrants with 13.9% Market Share
- SG is the second largest **ETF** provider in Europe in 2009 with:
- 20.8% Market Share in AUM
- 30.14% Market Share in average daily traded volume
- ... and the 4th largest ETF issuer worldwide (after BlackRock, State Street & Vanguard)
- ONE DELTA: target to benefit from the large worldwide untapped potential (ELS, Dividend Swap, Certificate, ...)
- FLOW: ambition to maintain our volatility stronghold in Europe, develop Institutional clients coverage and become a major counterpart for Corporate clients in Europe
- Expand our franchise in the AMERICAS where we are a niche player on a very large market
- Develop our footprint in ASIA

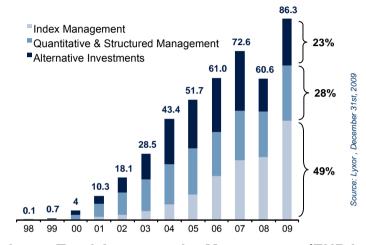




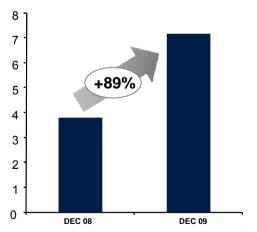


# Lyxor: an active contributor to growth and innovation

- ✓ A Unique Specialist
  - Focus on specific high growth segments
  - Pioneer and leader in our areas of expertise
  - Recognized for overall quality and innovation
- ✓ Lyxor is a tool box for other SG CIB Business Lines
  - Formula funds
  - Structured Products on Hedge Funds
  - ETFs
- ✓ Managed Accounts platform: a significant rebound after 2008 crisis thanks to Lyxor's platform key benefits:
  - Full Segregation of Assets
  - Independent Valuation
  - Independent Risk Management
  - Enhanced Transparency & Reporting
  - Enhanced Liquidity



Lyxor Total Assets under Management (EUR bn)



Lyxor Managed Accounts Platform AuM (EUR bn)



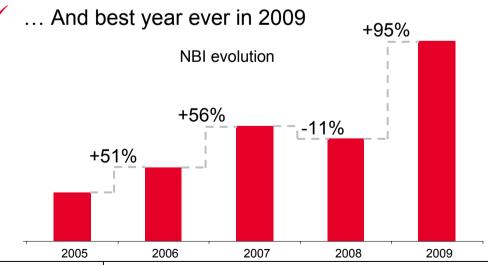
# Focus on structured products: "Strategic Equity Transactions"

- ✓ SET is the "Corporate Equity Derivatives" desk of SG Global Markets
- ✓ Products
  - Shareholding management (strategic stakes or treasury shares)
  - M&A related transactions and special situations
  - PACEO
  - Employees saving plans and leveraged ESOP

#### Targeted clients

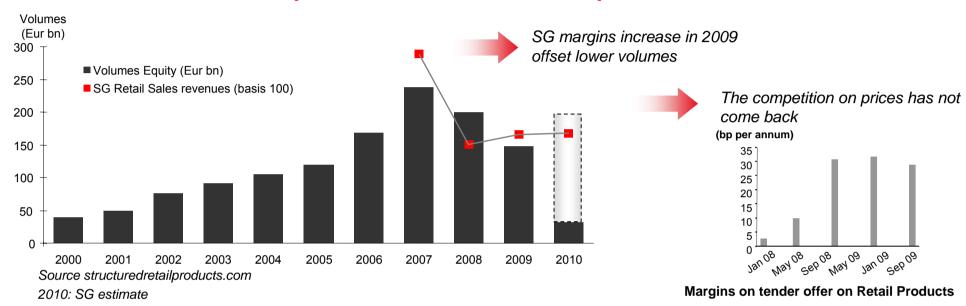
- Corporates
- Corporate centers of financial institutions
- Private Equity Funds

- ✓ Geographic Scope: Europe and EEMEA
- ✓ Very good resilience in 2008... a cautious risk management: limited concentration of risk while taking benefit of selected market opportunities





# Focus on structured products: distribution products



- ✓ Retail Business still exists and SG is well positioned on this business with a strong franchise
- ✓ We deal with new distributors and new regions: Eastern Europe, Chile, Malaysia, ...
- ✓ Our range of products evolved in 2009
  - Simpler structures
  - With credit risk a major focus
  - Matching expectations in an uncertain environment
- ✓ 2010 products will take full advantage of the new trend set in 2009



# Focus on structured products: distribution products

#### 1st EXAMPLE: deal with SG network

#### **LUMINEO**

#### Lumineo 4 - 8 Years

- if DJ Stoxx50E >= initial value at the end of the 4th year, possibility of anticipated reimbursement >> 124% of net invested capital
- otherwise, at the end of the 8th year
  - >> 100% of net invested capital + 100% of index performance (excl. dividends)

#### The investors are looking for

- simplicity and clarity, on top of security...
- ... but performance also
- ... through short term investments

# LUMINÉO Le placement qui alle sécurité et performances, en toute clarté

#### **Our solution**

#### A simple product ensuring a total visibility:

- guaranteed capital at maturity...
- ... with reimbursement based on an equity index: DJ Stoxx50E...
- with anticipated reimbursement in case of moderated market increase

#### **Results**

- The strategy was implemented in a very difficult environment
- A high level of fundraising (around EUR 1 Bn)
- The strategy has been declined in other networks



## Focus on structured products: distribution products

#### 2nd EXAMPLE: deal with Italian Life Insurance Company

#### **POSTE VITA**

#### **Collateralized Warrant 7 Years**

- The final payoff is 100% capital guaranteed by Italian government bonds
- ... with 3 fixed coupons (also guaranteed by Italian governement bonds)...
- ... plus the warrant payoff (the warrant payoff is a call ATM on the STOXX50E)

#### The investors are looking for

- payoff simplicity...
- transparency
- ... and Compliance with local regulations in terms of Credit and Counterparty Risks

# **Poste**vita

#### **Our solution**

A warrant coupled with Italian BTPs

- A warrant...
- ...collateralized by Italian govies, guaranteeing capital at maturity...

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...with a Call ATM payoff profile



#### Results

A life-insurance wrapper ...

- ...providing an option component with no counterparty risk...
- ...using a warrant collateralized by Italian **Government bonds**
- EUR 800 m raised



# Focus on structured products: Institutional Clients

- ✓ At least 50% of sales revenues with Institutional Clients
- Balanced between all categories
  - Sovereign funds and Family Offices
  - Pension Funds
  - Banks
  - Insurances
  - Hedge Funds
  - Asset Managers
- ✓ SG has developed a broad range of solution toward Institutional clients.

#### **Family Offices and Sovereign Funds**

- Get the feel of private advisory with the sophistication of institutional solutions
- SG has developed a broad range of cross asset investment, financing and hedging solutions, with a tailor-made approach

#### **Pension Funds**

Develop strategic solutions that comply with best accounting, regulatory and risk management practices

#### **Banks**

Managing Bank's resources' scarcity in an evolving environment



# Institutional Business: European Pension Fund looking to hedge its funding ratio in a cost-efficient manner

#### The investors are looking for

- Pension Fund had a high funding ratio in 2007, and wanted to protect it against a fall in interest rates....
- ....While taking into account the performance of its equity portfolio
- The Pension Fund wanted to implement the strategy in a very short period of time, without modifying its asset allocation
- A cost-efficient solution

#### **Our solution**

- Société Générale suggested an overlay hedge
  - No need to modify the asset allocation
- Hybrid solution with exposure to both interest rates and equity
  - ▶ Global hedge providing efficient protection of the funding ratio
  - ▶ Reduces the cost of protection as "over-hedging" is avoided:
    - If equity and rates fall at the same time, more hedging is required
    - Conversely, an equity/rate increase can compensate for an interest rate/equity decline

#### Results

- The strategy was implemented in a very short period of time, for a large notional
- Very efficient hedge for the Pension Fund
  - ▶ The funding ratio stayed at high levels (above 100%) in 2008 and 2009





# Focus on Regions - AMER

FLOW: offer a growing range of services and products

Expand our advisory services (US Research, Trading Ideas) and our execution capabilities (Futures, Direct Market Access, Flow

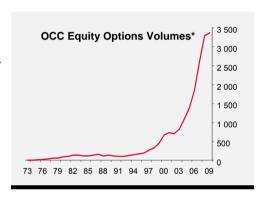
Derivatives footprint) to compliment our existing areas of expertise.

#### Strengths

- ✓ Top EU Cash capabilities
- ✓ Complex Flow
  - Dispersion
  - Correlation
  - Variance
- ✓ Options on Volatility (#1 in VIX Options)

#### **Opportunities**

- ✓ Growth with large wallet Asset Managers
- ✓ US Cash & Research (targeted sectors)
- ✓ Index Futures
- ✓ ETF & Options on ETF



#### STRUCTURED PRODUCTS: SG is equipped to address today's needs of the US market

Recent surveys have ranked SG as the #1 provider in terms of the quality of our Structured Products in the US (source Greenwich).

Now, we need to expand our presence.

#### **Strengths**

- ✓ Balance Sheet
- ✓ Lyxor Managed Account Platform
- ✓ European Expertise
- ✓ Quality of execution capabilities

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#### **Opportunities**

- ✓ More clients and growth with large wallet Asset Managers
  - ✓ Increased distribution
  - Emerging range of products
- ✓ Expansion in Latam America

Annual volumes in number (million) of equity options traded on the different exchanges cleared by the Options Clearing Corporation



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# Focus on Regions - ASIA

#### FLOW: develop our footprint with a focus on local clients

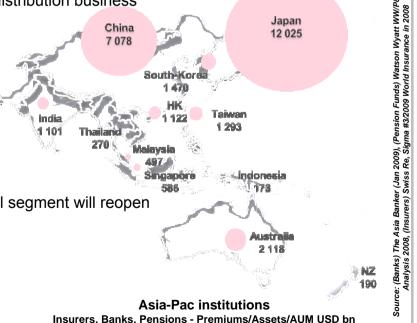
- ✓ ETFs: focus on higher margin and localized products
- ✓ Warrants: develop a new type of products and expand to other Asian markets

#### STRUCTURED PRODUCTS: develop an institutional franchise and regain a strong footprint on the retail segment

- ✓ In Equity & Equity Derivatives, we have been historically focused on distribution business
  - Retail networks
  - Private Banks & Structured Flows
- ✓ There is growth potential on
  - Institutional Clients: develop our franchise
  - Private Banks: become a key visible player
  - Retail segment: regain a strong foot-print when the Retail segment will reopen (Taiwan, HK, Singapore)

"Equity Derivatives House of the Year" by AsiaRisk in 2009







# Can regulation hurt the EQD universe?

#### Main issues

#### Draft proposals

#### Impact on SG CIB Equity Derivatives business

#### Capital requirements

- Leverage ratio
- Increased capital requirements for market risk
- SG CIB has already reduced its risk profile
  - SG CIB has already deleveraged (cash assets down by 38% vs. Q2-07 at end 2009)
  - Optimization of the use of scarce resources
  - Increased usage of central clearing

#### Liquidity requirements

- Liquidity Coverage Ratio
- Net Stable Funding Ratio

- **EQD** flow products have typically shorter maturities than credit or rates derivatives
- Structured EMTN issues represent a reasonable portion of SG long term funding

#### **Derivatives** standardization

- Incentives for central clearing and on-exchange trading of standardized derivatives
- Increasing transparency of OTC derivatives

- Reduced operational risk
- High-volume products already standardized and transparent via listed derivatives
- ETD and OTC are already co-existing
- For structured products the issue is suitability not transparency

#### Volcker rules

- No proprietary trading operations unrelated to serving customers
- No holding or investment into Private Equity / Hedge funds

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- **Pure Proprietary Trading represents a limited** contribution to revenues
- Investments into HFs are very limited
- No investment into PE funds
- We believe European regulators support the universal bank model

Regulatory changes are manageable for industry's best-in-class players



# **Conclusive thoughts**

- **✓** EQD industry experienced its biggest challenge with the earthquake of Q4 2008
- ✓ SG demonstrated its resilience to unusual market conditions and came out stronger
- ✓ We drew lessons from the crisis
  - Risk Management is everything
  - Balanced Business Mix
  - Additional Value Creation with the set up of the Global Markets division
- ✓ Regulation is a question mark; but it should not affect significantly our revenues
- ✓ There is still room for growth
  - Structured Products
  - Listed products
  - Lyxor
  - Regional action plans

