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EXPLORING THE IMPACT OF UMR AND SA-CCR

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UMR: OVERVIEW

UNCLEARED MARGIN RULES: WHAT ARE THEY AND WHAT DERIVATIVES ARE IN SCOPE?

- The UMR rules aim to reduce systematic risk, promote central clearing and cover losses in the event of default
- Swap dealers and their counterparties are now required to post initial margin (IM) on non-cleared, over-the-counter (OTC) derivatives
- The implementation of UMR poses a material and resource intensive challenge for clients

WHICH NON-CLEARED DERIVATIVES ARE IN-SCOPE

Interest Rates	All interest rate derivatives (e.g. swaps, cap, floors, swaptions, etc.)
Credit	All credit derivatives (e.g. credit default swaps, swaps on bonds, credit options, etc.)
FX	All FX derivatives except FX spot, physically settled FX swaps/forwards, principal payments on cross currency swaps (CCS)
Commodity	All commodity derivatives except physically settled swaps/forwards/options
Equity	Equity swaps, dividend swaps, equity forwards while equity options are permanently exempt under US regulation and temporarily exempt under EU regulation until January 2024

BANK PERSPECTIVE

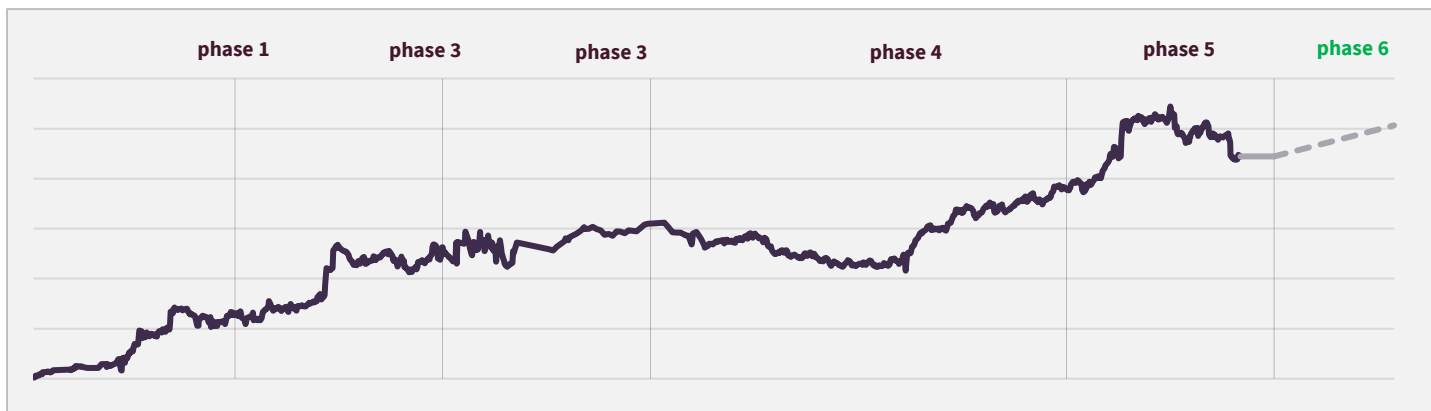
WHAT IS AANA?

- AANA is based on the open gross notional value of all non-centrally cleared derivatives positions during the designated calculation observation period for the phase

UMR Phase	AANA	IM Compliance Date
Phase 5	> 50 billion	1-Sep-21
Phase 6	> 8 billion	1-Sep-22

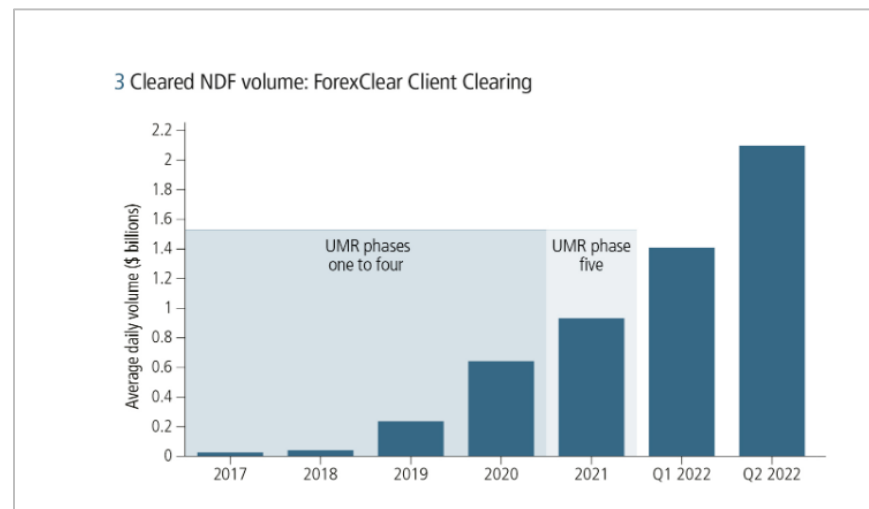
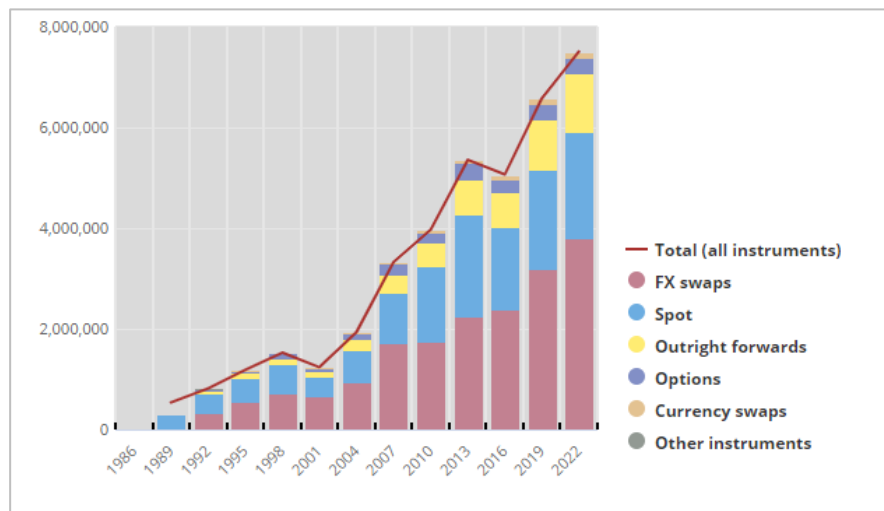
- There is a regulatory maximum allowed IM threshold of EUR/USD 50mm in aggregate across all IM CSA between 2 counterparty Groups under which counterparties may decide not to exchange IM

IM EVOLUTION



LIQUIDITY & VENUES

PRODUCTS



CHANNELS

PRODUCT	BILATERAL	OTC CLEARED	LISTED
		Comprehensive central clearing offering with memberships of all major CCP venues	One of the largest execution & clearing brokers of ETDs in the world (9.7% global market share) with 2.5 billion contracts cleared & executed in 2020 ⁽¹⁾
Interest Rates	-	✓	✓
Credit	-	✓	✓
FX	✓	✓	✓
Commodities	-	-	✓
Equities	Synthetic	-	✓

IMPROVING INITIAL MARGIN & COST EFFICIENCY

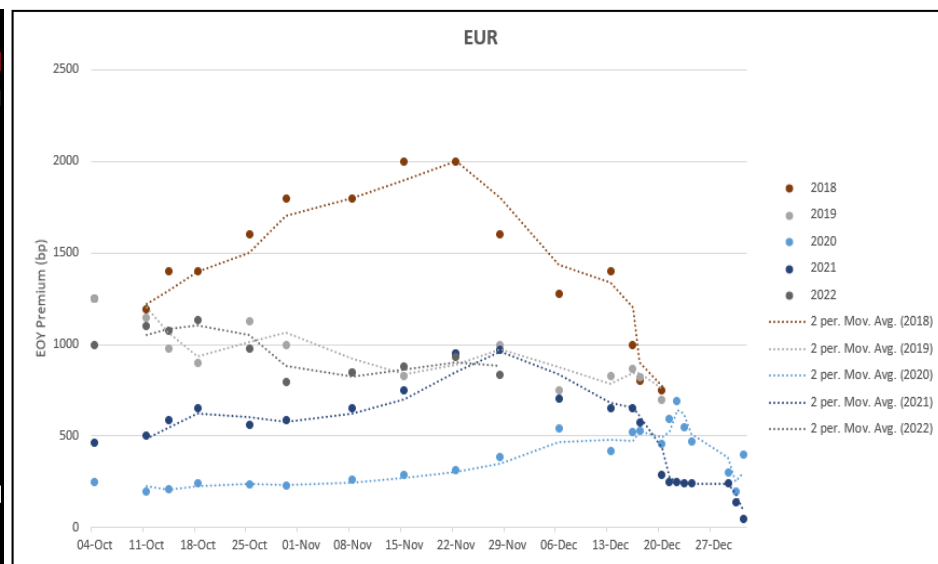
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COST = Market B/O spread + CVA charges + Regulatory Charges

- Market B/O spreads are observable
- CVA charges are increasingly standardised
- Regulatory charges depend on various constraints

Regulatory Charge = Function of (NSFR, LR, SACCR,...)

Year End Turn



Q&A

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Effects of SA-CCR and UMR on FX trading and liquidity conditions Buy-side perspective

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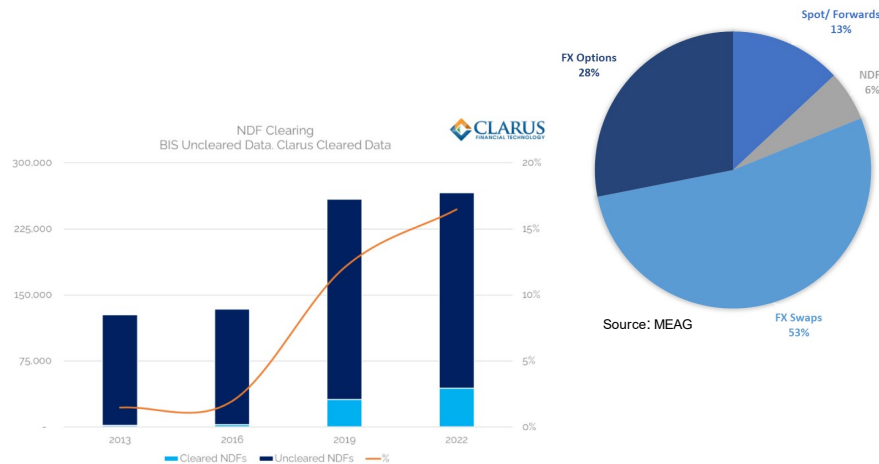
UMR Impact observation

Buy-side perspective

Phase 6 – more buy-side firms in scope, but impact remains to be seen

In-scope versus impact

- UMR Phase 6 was and is expected to have the biggest impact on the buy-side. Approximately 1,100 firms have been affected by this final chapter of the regulation.
- However, AANA* is based on the size of derivative portfolio including FX Swaps and Forwards, which have no direct impact on margin requirements
- FX is a global market, not all market participants are affected



*AANA Average Aggregate Notional Amount

New operational processing and contractual readiness

Legal considerations

- Determination of all legal entities in scope, based on AANA*
- Clarification of affected contractual relationships, incl. cross-border scenarios
- Waiver-Agreements allow trading up until an allowable IM threshold of 50 Million EUR
- Prioritization and optimization of contract negotiations based on historical trade pattern and projection as part of the analysis

Operational changes

- New set-up, includes using Tri-Party Agents. Increased importance and complexity in collateral management (asset-/ cash-pool optimization)
- Internal allocation and ongoing monitoring of thresholds

Strategies

- Optimized utilization of deductible thresholds
- Increase of the central clearing rates of traded credit default and interest rate swaps
- Get ready for further CCP instruments or ETD, with variety of factors drive the decision
 - Access to more liquidity and additional liquidity providers
 - Risk reduction and ease of contractual and operational processes
 - Optimization in collateral management and potential netting effects

Observation on the Impact

Buy-side perspective on SA-CCR

Diverging and uneven impact between counterparts and instruments

Counterparts

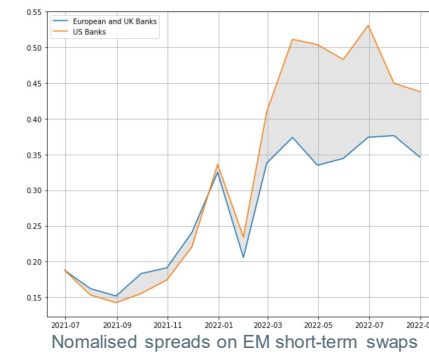
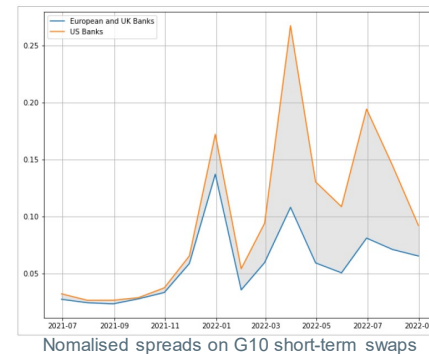
- Diverging impact for the EU and the US, due to the harsher impact of the lower limit for RWA, set by the standardized approach
- Counterparts exposed to high directional derivative transactions, are penalized for one-side directional exposures
- SA-CCR is a risk sensitive model – focus on net risk, instead using gross amount of notional at a point in time

Instruments

- Influence is particularly pronounced for short dated FX swaps and forward
- SA-CCR provides better recognition of risk offsets (netting) and collateralized trades, therefore cleared derivatives benefit under SA-CCR, as they face a single counterpart (the CCP)
- Under SA-CCR, volatility is factored in – that's especially significant for FX forwards, which uses a factor of 4%

Divergence of quoted forward spreads

- Overall cost of trading FX forwards increased in 2022 for various reasons
- Noticeable are wider spreads for most US banks in G10 and EM countries, and an additional spread divergence for swaps with different maturities.



Source: BestX

- Additionally, a significant change in the hit ratios and leaderboard of counterparties can be observed, especially in G10

Strategies

- Ensure transparency with the respective counterparties to understanding the effects
- Importance of netting agreements in place with all FX counterparties
- Addressing potential concentration risk, by adjusting the counterparty list
- Focus on cleared derivatives, as these benefit by SA-CCR

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