

Packaged Retail and Insurance-based Investment Products ("PRIIP") Regulation – Key Information Document ("KID"): London Metal Exchange Futures Contracts

# **Purpose**

This document provides you with key information about this investment product. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature, risks, costs, potential gains and losses of this product and to help you compare it with other products.

#### **Product**

**Product covered by this KID:** Futures Contracts available for trading on the London Metal Exchange. A full list of the international securities identification numbers for products covered by this KID are available on the ESMA website at:

https://registers.esma.europa.eu/publication/searchRegister?core=esma registers firds files

Name of product manufacturer: London Metal Exchange

Website of product manufacturer: www.lme.com

More information: Call 020 7113 8888 (Relationship Management Team) for more information

Competent Authority: Financial Conduct Authority (www.fca.org.uk)

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## You are about to purchase a product that is not simple and may be difficult to understand

# What is this product?

**Type:** Futures Contracts (with metal as their underlying asset)

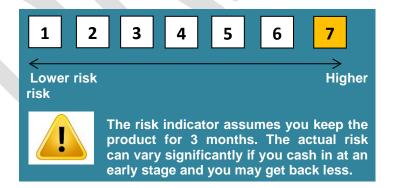
**Objectives:** This is a derivative contract under which you agree to buy from, or sell to, a counterparty either: an entitlement to metal at a future date (in relation to physically delivered Futures Contracts); or an exposure to the price of the relevant underlying metal (for cash settled Futures Contracts). The value of the Futures Contract will be linked to the price of the underlying metal – see "Performance Scenarios" for further information.

Intended retail investor: This product is not intended for retail investors, which means that the needs of retail investors and considerations relevant to them have not been taken into account in the design of this product.

## What are the risks and what could I get in return?

#### **Risk Indicator -**

This product is rated as a **7 out of 7** on the basis of the risk chart below.



The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of movements in the markets, or because the counterparty to the contract is not able to pay you.

We have classified this product as **7 out of 7**, which is the highest risk class. We have classified this product as **7 out of 7** because this product is complex, and there is a risk that you could lose considerably more money than you invested. This rates the potential losses from future performance at a very high level and poor market conditions are very likely to impact the capacity of your counterparty to pay you.

Be aware of currency risk. You may receive payments in a different currency so the final return you will get may depend on the exchange rate between the two currencies. This risk is not considered in the indicator shown above.

In some circumstances you may be required to make further payments to pay for losses. The total loss you may incur may significantly exceed the amount invested.

This product does not include any protection from future market performance, so you could lose some or all of your investment.

## **Performance Scenarios -**

\*The percentage return is calculated from the nominal value of the contract;

Percentage return = (price at maturity-purchase/sale price) x100 / purchase/sale price

The graph assumes the purchase or sale of a base metal forward at \$2,000, and you may lose more than 100% by selling a long forward if the price rises higher. For instance, as shown in the graph, if the price of the underlying metal rises beyond \$4,000.

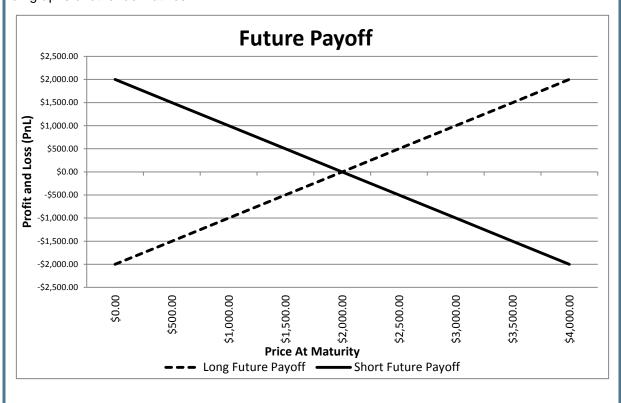
The graph presented gives a range of possible outcomes and is not an exact indication of what you might get back. What you get will vary depending on how the underlying will develop. For each value of the underlying, the graph shows what the profit or loss of the product would be. The horizontal axis shows the various possible prices of the underlying value on the expiry date and the vertical axis shows the profit or loss.

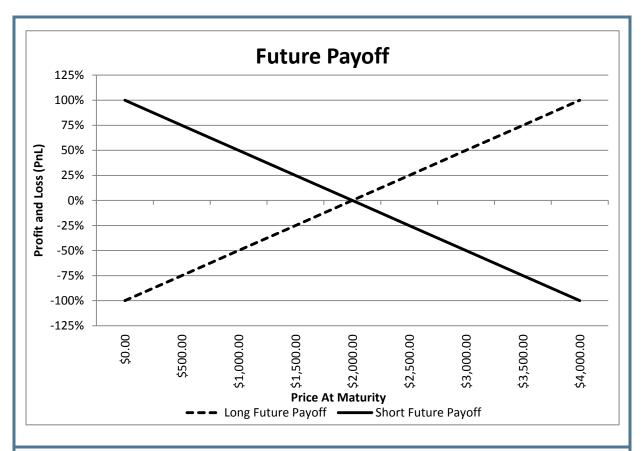
Buying this product holds that you think the underlying price may either increase or decrease.

Your maximum loss under the product would depend on the movement of the price of the underlying metal. This is dependent on the movements of the prices in the metals market. For contracts listed on the LME, there is no contractual limit to the loss that you could incur under this product. Your contract with your broker may include a contractual limitation on your maximum loss, but this would be a matter to be confirmed with the broker that has sold you the product.

The figures shown include all the costs of the product itself, but may not include all the costs that you pay to your advisor or distributor. The figures do not take into account your personal tax situation, which may also affect how much you get back.

The graphs below illustrate how your investment could perform. You can compare them with the payoff graphs of other derivatives.





# What happens if the London Metal Exchange is unable to pay out?

The London Metal Exchange is a market operator and will not be a counterparty to your trade. You may face a financial loss due to the default of the counterparty to your trade (which may be your broker). Please refer to your broker for further information, including on whether it will be possible to claim under any investor compensation scheme in the event of your broker's default. We suggest you consult with your broker to confirm what arrangements may apply in the event of their default and potential options for mitigating your risks of loss in such circumstances.

### What are the costs?

The London Metal Exchange does not charge retail clients directly. The person selling you or advising you about this product (your broker) may charge you other costs. If so, this person will provide you with information about these costs, and show you the impact that all costs will have on your investment over time. In the interests of transparency, details of trading and clearing fees that your broker pays when trading on the London Metal Exchange can be found here: https://www.lme.com/Trading/Access-the-market/Fees#tabIndex=0.

# How long should I hold it and can I take money out early?

**Recommended holding period:** There is no recommended or minimum holding period. London Metal Exchange products have a range of dates on which you can choose for your contract to be settled. Please speak to your broker for further information.

## How can I complain?

In the first instance we recommend you speak to your broker in relation to any complaints. Complaints to the London Metal Exchange must be made in writing and, in the event that it is made by a company, must be signed by a director or equivalent officer. Complaints should be sent to The Complaints Office, London Metal Exchange, 10 Finsbury Square, London, EC2A 1AJ or by email to complaints@Ime.com. The complaint should include sufficient information to allow the London Metal Exchange to properly identify the trade(s) or activity complained of and establish the basis for any alleged loss. Details of the London Metal Exchange's complaints procedure are set out in notice 17/315 which is available at www.lme.com.

#### Other relevant information

For further details on our market, our rulebook and product and clearing specifications please see <a href="https://www.lme.com">www.lme.com</a> or speak to your broker.