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Volume largely stable on Europe's structured products markets

EUR 281 billion open interest across reporting markets / increasing turnover in investment products

Turnover in investment and leverage products on reporting European financial markets totalled EUR 35 billion in the fourth quarter of 2020. Turnover increased 5 percent quarter on quarter and 27 percent year on year. These and other market data were sourced by the European Structured Investment Products Association (EUSIPA) from its members and analysed by Derivative Partners AG.

The members of EUSIPA who provide the figures for the market report include Zertifikate Forum Austria (ZFA), the Belgian Structured Investment Products Association (BELSIPA), Association Française des Produits Dérivés de Bourse (AFPDB), Deutscher Derivate Verband (DDV), Associazione Italiana Certificati e Prodotti di Investimento (ACEPI), the Netherlands Structured Investment Products Association (NEDSIPA), the Swedish Exchange Traded Investment Products Association (SETIPA), and the Swiss Structured Products Association (SSPA).

Fourth-quarter turnover in investment products on European trading venues amounted to EUR 13 billion, 37 percent of the total. Investment product turnover increased 40 percent over the quarter, but remained largely stable compared with the last quarter of 2019. Turnover in leverage products (Warrants, Knock-Out Warrants, and Constant Leverage Certificates) reached EUR 22 billion in the period from October to December, representing 63 percent of the total. Turnover in leverage products increased 47 percent year on year, but fell 8 percent from the previous quarter.

At the end of December, trading venues located in reporting EUSIPA markets were offering 448,035 investment products and 1,237,343 leverage products. As such, the number of listed products was stable on a quarterly basis, though contracted 7 percent from the previous year.

Banks issued 1,332,686 new investment and leverage products in the fourth quarter of 2020, an increase of 2 percent on the previous quarter and 19 percent year on year. In total, 147,704 new investment products were launched, accounting for 11 percent of new issues; the 1,184,982 new leverage products represent 89 percent of the total. Investment product issuance was up 16 per cent on the previous quarter; leverage product issuance was unchanged from Q3 2020, though up 22% year on year.

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For Austria, Belgium, Germany, and Switzerland, the **market volume of investment and leverage products** issued as securities stood at EUR 281 billion at the end of the fourth quarter, a 2 percent quarter-on-quarter increase.

The market volume of investment products was a stable EUR 271 billion – up just 2 percent quarter on quarter and 2 percent year on year.

The outstanding volume of leverage products totalled EUR 10 billion, a 30 percent year-on-year decrease that can be attributed largely to the Swiss market.

About EUSIPA

EUSIPA represents the interests of the European structured investment products business. The focal point of its activities are derivative instruments such as structured investment products and warrants. EUSIPA aims to create an attractive and fair regulatory framework for these financial products.

The umbrella association acts as a contact for politicians, the EU Commission and the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) in all questions concerning structured products. Whenever the need arises, the association is at hand to provide expert advice and opinions, thus playing an active role in the policy dialogue.

Greater protection for investors as well as more comprehensible and transparent products are important concerns for the association. Together with its members, it is actively engaged in promoting Europe-wide standards throughout the sector. These include clear product classification, standardised technical terms, and a broad commitment among the member associations to abide by a code of conduct for the sector.

The members of EUSIPA that provide the information for the market report are:



EUSIPA Market Report

on Structured Investment and Leverage Products Q4/2020



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1. Highlights

Turnover: Steady increase for investment products

In the fourth quarter of 2020, turnover in structured investment and leverage products in note format accounted for 35 bn EUR across reporting markets which is a slight increase of 5% compared to the preceding quarter (33 bn EUR) and 27% compared to the equivalent quarter in 2019 (27.5 bn EUR). Leverage products accounted for a turnover of 22 bn EUR in Q4 2020. On an annual basis, their turnover increased by 47% while it decreased by 8% compared to the preceding quarter Q3 2020. Turnover in non-leverage investment products highly increased by 40% related to the preceding quarter and 2% compared to the last year equivalent quarter.

Outstanding Volume: Slightly increasing throughout the year

The Q4 2020 figures for the Austrian, Belgian, German¹ and Swiss² markets indicate a total amount of 281 bn EUR held in note-based structured products, which is a very slight increase by 2% compared to last quarter Q3 2020. On an annual basis the open interest remained on the same level.

Number of New Issuances: More products launched

The overall number of new issuances increased during Q4 2020 when measured against the preceding quarter Q3 2020 (1'332'686 versus 1'308'798 products in Q3 2020). The slight increase was driven by investment products, the number of those which were newly issued increased by 16% on a quarter-by-quarter comparison but decreased by 4% when compared to Q4 2019. For leverage products, the number of new listings did not change when compared to the preceding quarter Q3 2020, while they increased by 22% on an annual basis.

Total Number of Products: Stable overall picture

Markets of contributing EUSIPA member associations reported 1'685'378 products as open (non-matured) in Q4 2020, which is overall no change compared to the preceding quarter Q3 2020, while on an annual basis the number of non-matured products shrank by 7%. In the segment of investment products the number decreased by 3% when compared against the preceding quarter Q3 2020.

¹ The German figures are sourced in from the 15 issuers assembled under the roof of Deutsche Derivate Verband (DDV) and entail assets from the sales of listed note-based structured retail products to customers based in Germany. The 15 issuers cover more than 90% of the German market in these products.

² The Swiss figures are sourced in from the Swiss National Bank and represent all assets in listed note-based structured retail products held in Swiss depots of issuers domiciled in Switzerland. The figures include therefore, to a small extent, also assets from product sales of these issuers outside Switzerland. The Swiss National Bank has extended the circle of the reportable institutions for the statistics of the securities held in bank's client deposits. The survey group consists now also of institutions with a special field of business. In case of such institutions with a special field of business and especially for deposits which are stored centrally there are only securities included that are not already stored at another reportable bank and reported by it.

2. Quarterly overview (Q4/2020)

	Austria	Belgium	France	Germany	Italy	Netherlands	Sweden	Switzerland ¹	EUSIPA
Exchange Turnover (Mio. EUR)									
1 Investment Products	176	1.078	57	3.776	3.348	8	1.345	3.061	12.849
11 Capital Protected	n/a	n/a	0	43	n/a	0	1	38	82
12 Yield-Enhancement	n/a	n/a	29	2.187	n/a	7	1	723	2.947
13 Participation	n/a	n/a	28	1.519	n/a	1	1.272	2.292	5.112
199 Various	n/a	n/a	0	27	n/a	0	71	8	106
2 Leverage Products	11	n/a4	1.700	10.214	2.902	1.119	4.708	1.342	21.996
21 Without Knock-Out	n/a	n/a	343	3.176	n/a	35	95	n/a	3.649
22 With Knock-Out	n/a	n/a	1.169	5.999	n/a	1.075	1.956	n/a	10.199
23 Constant Leverage	n/a	n/a	188	1.039	n/a	9	2.657	n/a	3.893
Various	n/a	n/a	0	n/a	n/a	0	0	n/a	0
Total	187	1.0784	1.757	13.990	6.250	1.127	6.053	4.403	34.845
Total change - Δ in % to Q4/19 ²	2	n/a⁴	67	60	-25	1	52	31	27
Total change - Δ in % to Q3/20 ³	61	n/a4	2	1	35	-17	-3	-5	5
Outstanding Volume (Mio. EUR)									
1 Investment Products	14.480	15.421	n/a	58.784	n/a	n/a	n/a	181.923	270.608
11 Capital Protected	n/a	n/a	n/a	23.741	n/a	n/a	n/a	38.820	62.561
12 Yield-Enhancement	n/a	n/a	n/a	28.253	n/a	n/a	n/a	70.669	98.922
13 Participation	n/a	n/a	n/a	4.308	n/a	n/a	n/a	70.012	74.320
199 Various	n/a	n/a	n/a	2.482	n/a	n/a	n/a	2.422	4.904
2 Leverage Products	220	n/a4	n/a	3.868	n/a	n/a	n/a	6.028	10.116
21 Without Knock-Out	n/a	n/a	n/a	1.979	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	1.979
22 With Knock-Out	n/a	n/a	n/a	1.411	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	1.411
23 Constant Leverage	n/a	n/a	n/a	478	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	478
Various	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0
Total	14.700	15.4214	n/a	62.652	n/a	n/a	n/a	187.951	280.724
Total change - Δ in % to Q4/19 ²	1	n/a4	n/a	-4	n/a	n/a	n/a	2	0
Total change - Δ in % to Q3/20 ³	6	n/a4	n/a	1	n/a	n/a	n/a	3	2

Source: Country Associations, Derivative Partners

¹ Please note that the product category 'Investment Products with Reference Entities' exists only in Switzerland. Values for this category are therefore shown as 'Various Investment Products'.

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⁴ Reporting disruption due to operational transformation of the relevant trading venue.

2. Quarterly overview (Q4/2020)

	Austria	Belgium	France	Germany	Italy	Netherlands	Sweden	Switzerland ¹	EUSIPA
Number of New Listings on Exchange									
1 Investment Products	1.413	80	768	141.627	752	27	22	3.015	147.704
11 Capital Protected	n/a	n/a	0	11	n/a	0	2	4	17
12 Yield-Enhancement	n/a	n/a	747	72.369	n/a	26	2	2.874	76.018
13 Participation	n/a	n/a	21	69.208	n/a	1	6	133	69.369
199 Various	n/a	n/a	0	39	n/a	0	12	4	55
2 Leverage Products	1.249	n/a4	47.061	1.072.003	2.532	43.185	9.598	9.354	1.184.982
21 Without Knock-Out	76	n/a	9.951	269.145	n/a	187	2.578	n/a	281.937
22 With Knock-Out	518	n/a	36.245	753.439	n/a	42.810	6.281	n/a	839.293
23 Constant Leverage	0	n/a	865	49.419	n/a	188	739	n/a	51.211
Various	0	n/a	0	n/a	n/a	0	0	n/a	0
Total	2.662	804	47.829	1.213.630	3.284	43.212	9.620	12.369	1.332.686
Total change - Δ in % to Q4/19 ²	68	n/a4	28	16	-23	126	29	12	19
Total change - Δ in % to Q3/20 ³	246	n/a⁴	7	2	-16	-9	-16	-8	2
Number of Exchange Listed Products									
I Investment Products	4.191	1.645	1.424	416.247	5.526	271	474	18.257	448.035
11 Capital Protected	n/a	n/a	0	777	n/a	0	53	508	1.338
12 Yield-Enhancement	n/a	n/a	1.288	247.790	n/a	195	67	15.813	265.153
13 Participation	n/a	n/a	136	166.100	n/a	76	306	1.706	168.324
199 Various	n/a	n/a	0	1.580	n/a	0	48	230	1.858
Leverage Products	3.680	n/a4	43.409	1.113.087	7.776	21.838	20.756	27.797	1.238.343
21 Without Knock-Out	1.168	n/a	16.880	538.473	n/a	362	4.322	n/a	561.205
22 With Knock-Out	2.512	n/a	24.128	491.714	n/a	20.945	8.961	n/a	548.260
23 Constant Leverage	0	n/a	2.401	82.900	n/a	531	7.473	n/a	93.305
Various	0	n/a	0	n/a	n/a	0	0	n/a	0
Total	7.871	1.6454	44.833	1.529.334	13.302	22.109	21.230	46.054	1.686.378
Total change - Δ in % to Q4/19 ²	-10	n/a4	-14	-8	14	-8	31	11	-7
Total change - Δ in % to Q3/20 ³	6	n/a4	-6	0	-7	-28	1	0	0

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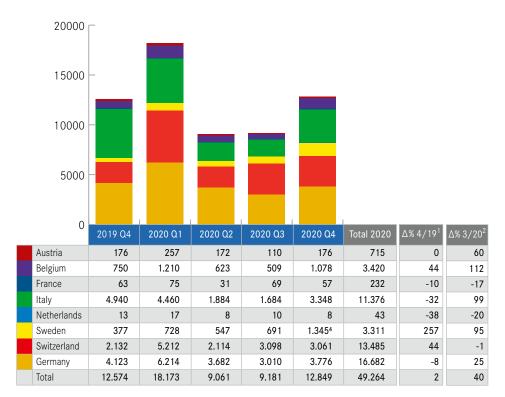
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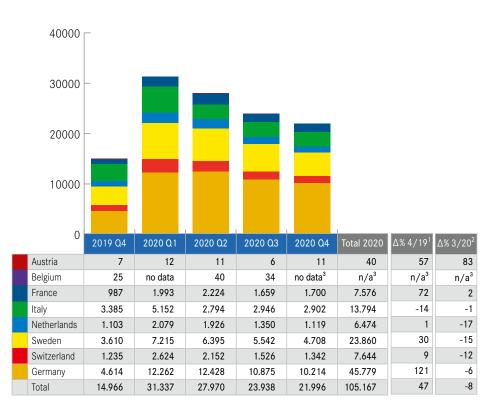
3. Exchange turnover

Investment Products in Mio. EUR



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Increasing turnover for participation category products.

Leverage Products in Mio. EUR



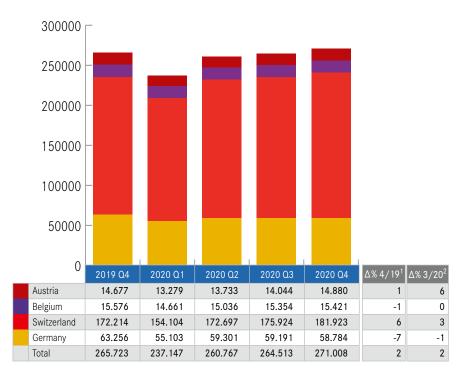
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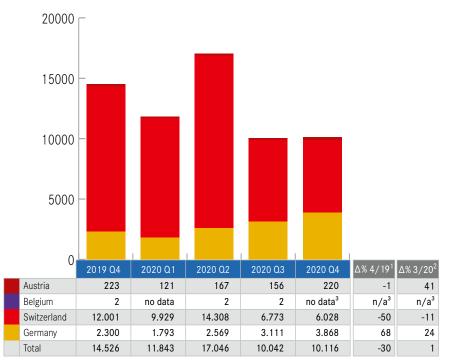


4. Outstanding volume

Investment Products in Mio. EUR



Leverage Products in Mio. EUR



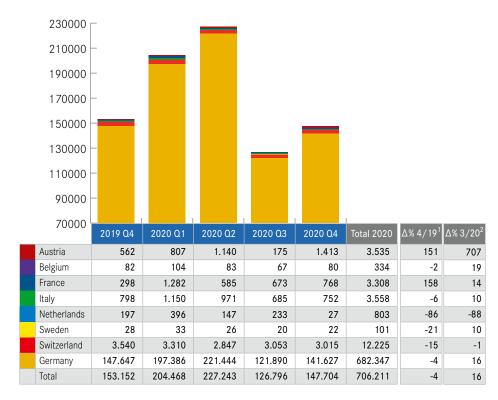
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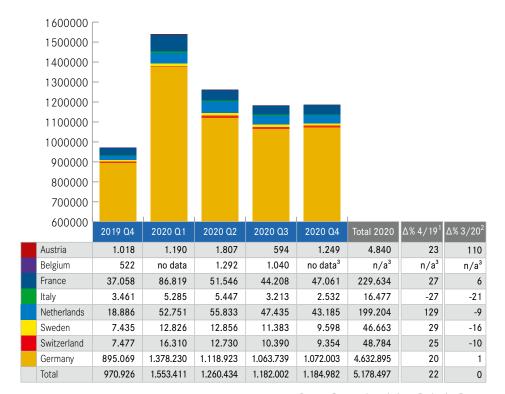


5. Number of new listings on exchange

Investment Products



Leverage Products



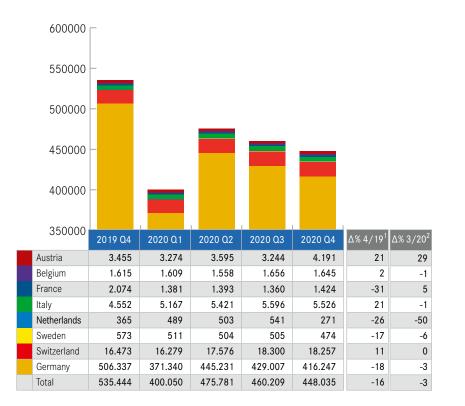
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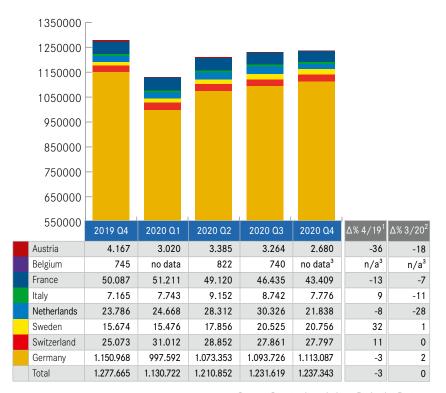
6. Number of exchange listed products

Investment Products



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Leverage Products



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7. Appendix

Data sources

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Key date is 31st of December 2020. The exchange rates for CHF/EUR and SEK/EUR are defined at the last trading day of each quarter.

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