

Managed Services for Barra Portfolio Manager



In today's cost-conscious environment, outsourcing non-core activities to experienced third parties is becoming increasingly common as companies look to reduce their operational support costs and benefit from efficiencies of scale. Barra Managed Services provides a cost effective and convenient way to delegate your data and system management operations, leaving you free to focus on your investment analysis.

Barra Managed Services is offered as an optional add-on to Barra Portfolio Manager, an integrated, flexible risk and performance platform designed to help our clients build better portfolios. Run by a dedicated global team of highly trained Operations Specialists, Barra Managed Services manages and monitors the complete end-to-end process of your data workflow.

Key Features and Benefits

- **Client Data Management** – Our Operations Specialists promptly process and upload your data to Barra Portfolio Manager, and arrange for all reconciliation and asset coverage reports to be securely delivered to you in a timely manner.
- **Reconciliation Analysis and Asset Proxying** – Barra Managed Services performs a full reconciliation analysis on both portfolio market values and asset coverage. This is then delivered to you in the form of a report. Our Operations Specialists provide commentary on rejected instruments, and incorporate client defined proxy rules. Common examples of when these proxy rules would be applied include invalid holding format, corporate actions, and missing terms and conditions data.
- **System Management** – Once all your position data is loaded into Barra Portfolio Manager, the Operations Specialists pre-process the performance analytics, which means that the results are ready for you to use.
- **Cost Control** – Barra Managed Services can help reduce overhead costs by providing an efficient alternative to in-house data processing and reconciliation management.
- **Security** – Each client has its own secure production environment, and secure protocols are used to exchange and store client position data.
- **Reliability** – Barra Managed Services draws on MSCI's highly robust infrastructure and a dedicated global team of experts to comply with data processing delivery deadlines.
- **Expertise** – MSCI has over a decade of experience in providing data and system management services.



Proactive operational support focusing on data accuracy and secure, timely delivery

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