# CONSULTATION ON THE CLOSING PRICE POLICY FOR SECURITIES TRADED ON THE MOSCOW EXCHANGE

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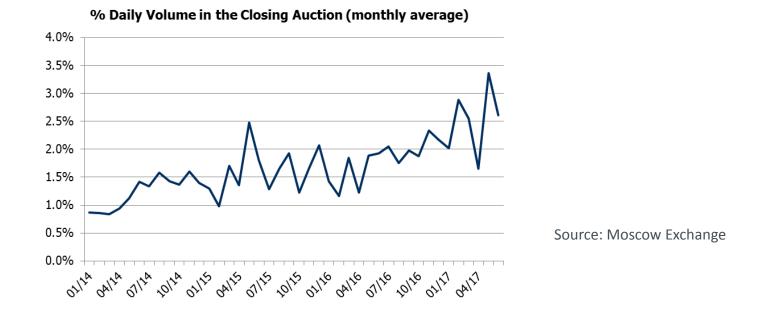
#### PROPOSAL AND BACKGROUND

- <u>Proposal</u>: Use the Closing Auction Price for securities traded on the Moscow Exchange for the calculation of the MSCI Global Investable Market Indexes (GIMI)
  - MSCI welcomes feedback until August 31, 2017 and will announce its final decision as well as the potential implementation date by September 7, 2017
  - This consultation may or may not result in changes in the MSCI Equity Indexes
- <u>Background</u>: MSCI already consulted on the use of the Closing Auction Price in February 2014, following the introduction of the Closing Auction by the Moscow Exchange in September 2013
  - At that time, some market participants raised concerns about the liquidity levels observed on the Closing Auction, and expressed the need for additional time to assess its operational efficiency
  - MSCI announced in February 2014 that it would continue using the Last Traded Price for calculation of the MSCI GIMI until further notice



# LIQUIDITY AT THE CLOSING AUCTION SINCE 2014

• Since 2014, the trading liquidity observed at the Moscow Exchange's Closing Auction has gradually increased



• The liquidity remains generally lower compared to the levels observed at the closing auctions in Developed and Emerging Markets



## CHANGES IN THE CLOSING AUCTION SINCE 2014

• There have been a number of enhancements to the Closing Auction Price mechanism since 2014, such as:

Feb 2014	Introduction of a price fluctuation limit for the Closing Auction Price of +/- 2.5% of the Last Traded Price
Apr 2014	Introduction of a transparent order book with online disclosure of the Closing Auction parameters (e.g., on Bloomberg and Reuters)
Feb 2015	Increase in the price fluctuation limit to +/- 3.5% in order to allow for larger trades



#### **DISCUSSION POINTS**

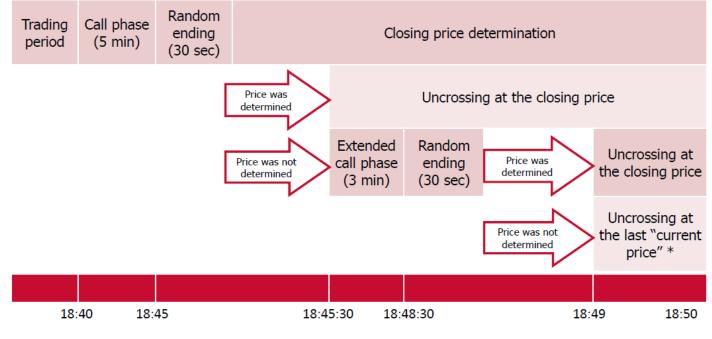
- Is the liquidity at the Closing Auction on the Moscow Exchange sufficient to support the potential use of the Closing Auction Price for the calculation of the MSCI GIMI?
- Are there any remaining issues that should be addressed by the exchange before MSCI changes its closing price policy for the MSCI Russia Indexes?



# **APPENDIX**



# CLOSING AUCTION PRICE DETERMINATION



Source: Moscow Exchange

- Conditions for the Auction Price to be determined at the end of the call phase:
  - Auction order book is crossed (no spread exists)
  - Auction Price is within the price range (+/- 3.5% from the Last Traded Price)
- The Auction Price is the price that maximizes executable volume



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