

**Public Minutes of a Meeting of the  
Precious Metals Oversight Committee of  
ICE Benchmark Administration (“IBA”)  
held on Wednesday, 23 January 2019 14:30 GMT**

**PRESENT:** Mr S Pickford (Independent), Chairman  
Mr S Bhandari (Kotak Mahindra Bank) - by phone  
Mr J Crompton (IBA INED)  
Mr T Evanson (Brink’s Global Services)  
Mr J Hallenbeck (Newmont Mining)  
Mr S Lodder (Jane Street) - by phone  
Ms C Lynn (Kaiser Aluminum) - by phone  
Ms S Mirza (LBMA)  
Mr M Prada (IBA INED) - by phone

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr T Bowler (IBA President)  
Ms J ten Elsen (Committee Secretary)  
Mr S Gandy (IBA Surveillance)  
Mr C McFadden (IBA Operations)  
Mr S Tselikas (IBA COO) - *part of the meeting*  
Ms E Vick (IBA Compliance)  
Mr A Villeneuve (IBA Chairman)

**APOLOGIES:** Mr G Angwin (Asahi Refining)  
Mr R Hayes (AngloGold Ashanti)  
Mr J Oliff (Independent)  
Mr S Weeks (Scotia Bank)  
Mr T Wood (Denver Gold Group)

**CIRCULATION:** IBA Website

	<p><b>Chairman’s Welcome and Apologies</b> The Chairman welcomed the Members to the Precious Metals Oversight Committee (PMOC) meeting, and noted the apologies as listed above.</p>
	<p><b>Declaration of Conflicts of Interest</b> No members declared any new conflicts of interest.</p>
	<p><b>Previous Meeting</b> <b>Full Minutes</b> The minutes for the PMOC meeting held on 05 November 2018 were considered and approved.</p> <p><b>Public Minutes</b> The public minutes for the PMOC meeting held on 05 November 2018 were considered and approved for publication.</p>
	<p><b>Matters Arising</b> The Chairman noted that all matters arising were either closed or covered in the agenda.</p> <p>It was confirmed that all IBA auction participants which are full LBMA members had now attested their compliance to the LBMA’s Precious Metals code.</p>

	<p><b>Dashboards</b>  IBA presented to the Committee the LBMA Gold and Silver Price Dashboards for October, November and December, covering:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a summary chart of the LBMA Gold and Silver Prices, respectively,</li> <li>• charts covering key performance indicators of volumes, average spread of spot market vs auction price and number of rounds; and</li> <li>• management information on surveillance.</li> </ul> <p>The Committee noted that prices and volumes traded for both gold and silver were affected by market news.</p>
	<p><b>Incidents</b>  There were no incidents to report.</p>
	<p><b>Periodic Review</b>  <b>Benchmark Statement for LBMA Precious Metals Prices</b>  The Committee considered the periodic review of the Benchmark Statement, noting that only small drafting changes had been made. The Committee requested a minor edit in the document and approved the Benchmark Statement.</p> <p><b>Committee's Terms of Reference</b>  The Committee noted that under the BMR more information was required to be published about the workings, background and membership of one of the other IBA Oversight Committees and IBA is looking to have a similarly extended document for all of the Oversight Committees.</p> <p>The Committee considered and approved the Terms of Reference with a couple of small edits.</p> <p><b>Update on LBMA Gold &amp; Silver Prices</b>  IBA gave a presentation on the LBMA Gold and Silver Prices, highlighting improvements that IBA had put in place since taking over the benchmarks.</p> <p>The presentation covered the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Protections incorporated into the auction process, such as Blind Auctions, Client &amp; House Order Segregation, Audit Trails and Automation, and Central Clearing;</li> <li>• Dynamic Price Discovery; and</li> <li>• Silver and Gold Volumes traded on a daily, weekly and monthly basis.</li> </ul> <p><b>Internal &amp; External Audit Update</b>  IBA advised the Committee that ICE's internal audit had conducted an audit to ensure that the LBMA Gold Price and Silver Price were in line with the published methodology. IBA informed the Committee that the finding had been Satisfactory adding that ICE's audit ratings are Satisfactory, Needs Improvement and Unsatisfactory.</p> <p>IBA updated the Committee about the current status of the ongoing external audit.</p>
	<p><b>Market Notification of Potential Large Auctions</b>  The Committee discussed the Market Notification document in detail and agreed that IBA should consult with banks' compliance departments and other stakeholders on the matter and provide feedback from the consultation at the Committee's meeting in April 2019.</p>
	<p><b>Brexit</b>  IBA confirmed that the Company was in a good position regardless of the outcome of Brexit on 29 March 2019.</p>
	<p><b>2019 Development Roadmap</b>  IBA drew the Committee's attention to the 2019 Development Roadmap noting that this was being presented again for further input, if any, from the Committee. The Committee welcomed the document and moved to the next agenda item.</p>

**Any Other Business**

The Chairman noted that he would shortly start the annual effectiveness review of the Committee.

The Committee noted that 2019 marked the centenary of the first gold price, now called the LBMA Gold Price, and that the LBMA was planning a series of celebratory events during the year, including on the anniversary on 12 September.

The Chairman thanked the Committee Members for their attendance and contributions and, with there being no further business to discuss, closed the meeting.

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Stephen Pickford

Chairman