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North American Derivatives Exchange (NADEX) Opens Doors to FCMs: Paves the Way for Brokers To Offer Simplified, Limited-Risk Products

Nadex Receives CFTC Approval to Allow Customers Intermediated Access through Brokers.

CHICAGO, April 1, 2010 – Today, North American Derivatives Exchange (Nadex), a regulated online futures exchange in the United States, received CFTC approval to allow intermediated access to brokers. This permits futures commission merchants (FCMs) to provide their customers with access to retail-sized, limited risk and fully collateralized contracts offered on the Nadex platform. The exchange, found at www.nadex.com, enables customers of FCM members, along with existing members, to trade small, easy-to-understand [binary](#) and [spread](#) contracts.

Brokers' intermediated access to Nadex comes at a pivotal time for the industry. Customers currently trading in the OTC dealer market should appreciate access to a regulated futures exchange like Nadex. Now, forex and futures brokers can become Members of Nadex and offer their customers access to the exchange's entire product line of binary and spread contracts: equity index contracts (Wall Street 30, US 500, US Tech 100, Germany 30, Korea 200, FTSE 100[®]), energy contracts (crude oil, natural gas), currencies (EUR, GBP, CAD, CHF, JPY), metals (gold, silver, copper), and agricultural (corn, soybeans), as well as event contracts (initial jobless claims, Fed Funds, European Central Bank rate announcements, nonfarm payrolls, unemployment rate).

"Nadex is the first and only regulated, retail-focused futures exchange in the United State that allows FCMs to offer trading in small-size, limited-risk contracts to their clients," notes Yossi Beinart, CEO and President of Nadex. "Retail clients will benefit from simple investment options with full transparency. Unlike the large, relatively risky products offered by traditional [futures](#) exchanges, Nadex contracts are fully-paid upfront and have limited risk/reward profiles that appeal to both start-up and seasoned traders. Clients never need to worry about a margin call, even if the position moves against them."

Nadex's binary contracts are all-or-nothing contracts that pay out a fixed amount to the side of the trade that finishes in-the-money. Nadex's spread contracts have a variable payout, a trader's potential loss will not exceed the amount invested, and the potential gain is limited by the contract's cap (for buyers) or floor (for sellers).

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“Brokers will find Nadex’s straightforward contracts easy to explain to clients – and simple to execute,” says Beinart. “Our wide range of strike prices and contract lengths allows an FCM’s clients to participate in futures trading *on their own terms*. All they need is a view on where the markets are heading.”

About Nadex

Nadex, which is headquartered in Chicago, Illinois and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the U.K.-based IG Group Holdings, is subject to regulatory oversight by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC). Through Nadex, traders can hedge against or speculate on price movements in currency, commodity, event, and equity index markets. To learn more about Nadex, visit our website at www.nadex.com. For information on becoming a Nadex member, contact us at 1-877-776-2339 or email Peter.Lee@nadex.com.

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