

**Meeting Minutes**

Federal Reserve Bank of New York  
33 Liberty Street  
13<sup>th</sup> Floor, Main Conference Room

Thursday, October 8, 2015  
8:30 am – 10:30 am (New York time)

*Present:* James Brown, David Buchalter, Martha Burke, Sarah Donnelly, Maria Douvas-Orme, Luke Farber, Terence Filewych, Christina Getz, Jeff Lillien, Ricardo Salaman, Lisa Shemie, David Trapani, Bryan Woodard, Lawrence Young, Jill Hurwitz (by phone), Hector Velez (by phone), Pamela Hutson (by phone)

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**FXC Work Streams**

The group discussed the status of two work streams in which members are currently engaged with the Foreign Exchange Committee (“FXC”). The first of these involves the effort to establish a single global code of conduct standards and principles to be adopted across jurisdictions, which is led by the Foreign Exchange Working Group (FXWG) established by the Markets Committee of the Bank for International Settlements.

Ms. Pfeifer gave an update on the FXWG’s progress in developing the global code, including the contemplated timeline for completion. She described the efforts of the various groups involved in the project, including the FXC, and asked members of the FMLG to offer input on specific questions relating to best practices in foreign exchange markets. In response to member questions, Ms. Pfeifer noted that there would be several opportunities for legal counsel to provide input.

FMLG members also continue to be involved in the FXC’s update of its *Recommendations for Non-Dealer Participants*. The latest draft of the recommendations has been distributed to the FMLG for comment, and the FXC is working on incorporating the FMLG’s comments.

**Dodd-Frank Operational/Implementation Issues**

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**ISDA: FX Documentation Committee**

Ms. Shemie and Mr. Lillien updated the group on a phone call that they had conducted following the last meeting with representatives from EMTA and ISDA to discuss the possibility

of hiring outside counsel to work on certain issues relating to disruption events for deliverable currencies. The group will engage further with EMTA and ISDA on the issue.

### **ICOM, IFEMA, FEOMA and IFXCO**

Ms. Kraidin noted that certain members of the FMLG will participate on the legal opinion committee to manage the FMLG's annual legal opinion update project. Mr. Buchalter, who will be leading the effort this year, updated the group on the allocated budget for the project.

### **Virtual Currencies**

Mr. Filewych raised with the group emerging legal and regulatory issues on the topic of virtual currencies and block chain technology. Members agreed that it was an important emerging issue and expressed interest in learning more about the topic. Mr. Nelson suggested that the FMLG invite legal practitioners with expertise in this area to present to the group on the topic.

### **Administrative Matters**

Ms. Kraidin announced that the next quarterly call with the Financial Markets Law Committee would be scheduled soon and asked members to propose topics for the agenda.

Ms. Hansen asked the group to consider new candidates for FMLG membership.

FMLG Treasurer Martha Burke offered a brief update on the group's finances.

Ms. Kraidin offered a brief update on the progress of outside counsel's preparation of the FMLG's Form 990, which the FMLG plans to file in the near future.

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