



Connectivity,  
standards and  
messaging services  
for all your  
Precious Metals\*  
transactions

### Benefits

- Increased operational efficiencies – saving costs
- Legally binding confirmation on trade date
- Satisfy regulatory requirements
- Achieve scalability - Business enabler

\* Gold, silver, platinum, palladium and other commodities

## Precious Metals

*Supporting STP and risk reduction and enabling compliance with regulatory requirements*

Extract from the December 2009 letter sent by the Major Commodities Dealers (CMD) to the OTC Derivatives Supervisors Group of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York:

*This letter outlines our continued commitment towards further strengthening the resilience and robustness of the OTC Commodity Derivatives infrastructure under the auspices of the ISDA Industry Governance Committee (IIGC) in conjunction with the ISDA Commodities Steering Committee (COSC) and the Commodities Implementation Group (COIG). We remain focused on five key operational areas for market-wide improvement: (i) ... (ii) increased electronic processing including formal targets for electronic matching of eligible OTC energy and metals transactions. (iii) etc...*

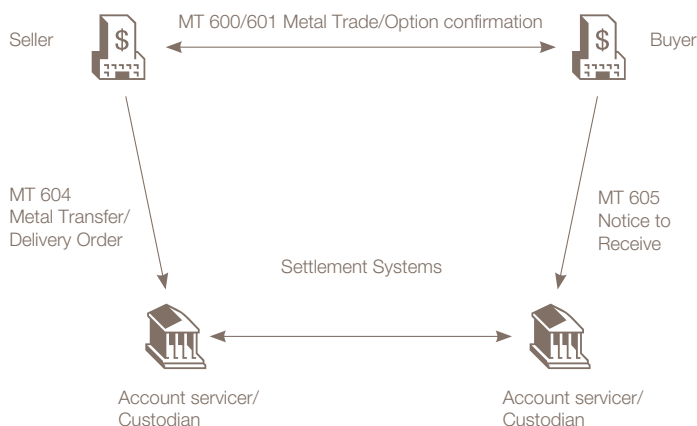
The financial crisis has brought to light the deficiencies in the OTC derivative markets, including commodities markets. These include shortcomings in the management of operational risk.

Regulators and the industry have stepped in to address the deficiencies and have set aggressive deadlines.

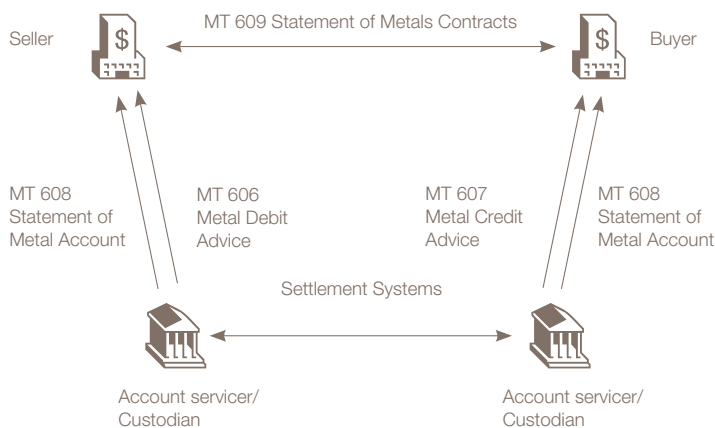
Enhancing straight-through processing through greater use of automation and common standards is key to addressing this industry challenge.

The precious metals messages exchanged over the SWIFT network enables all parties involved to use common standards and to automate the post-trade processes, hence better manage operational risk.

- Increased operational efficiencies – saving costs  
SWIFT's FIN based precious metals suite of messages enable smooth and quick integration of your confirmation, settlement and reconciliation processes.
- Legally binding confirmation on trade date  
The precious metals confirmation messages enable you to confirm trades as soon as the trade is agreed. SWIFT's network rules and services provide the guarantee that the confirmation is well received.
- Better meet regulatory requirements  
Using SWIFT's precious metals confirmations enables the dealers to meet the commitments the industry is making with regards to the e-confirmation of metals trades.
- Achieve scalability, Business enabler  
Eliminate manual processing and volume sensitivity. SWIFT's open and scalable messaging platform can be deployed easily to support a vast range of counterparties, including corporate.



▲ The MTs 60n Metals Confirmation and settlement



▲ The MTs 60n Metals Reporting

SWIFT's Precious Metals messages cater for:

- All precious metals dealing institutions and clearers
- All post-trade flows
- All types of precious metals
- Both physical and financial transactions

To further enhance automation, SWIFT's Accord service will soon match metals trade confirmations

SWIFT's central Accord matching application is an established, fail-safe matching and exception handling solution, that helps you reducing your operational risk and increasing your STP. As from December 2010, Accord will be able to

match trade confirmations for Precious Metals and other commodities, providing you with the combined benefits of a central and an in-house system, whether or not your counterparty is an Accord user. For more information, please consult the Accord fact sheets and brochures published on [www.swift.com](http://www.swift.com).

#### Connect to your counterparties

With connectivity to more than 8,300 institutions, including the majority of players active in the precious metals trading arena SWIFT provides a single window to connect with your counterparty, using the same messaging standard.

#### Share a common language

Improve the efficiency of your precious metals transaction processing in a standardised way. SWIFT's messages have been customised to cover the main transaction flows for precious metals trading, including:

- confirmation of a precious metals trade
- receipt and delivery of precious metals
- statement of precious metals account
- statement of precious metals trades

#### Secure and reliable messaging platform

SWIFT provides you with access to a fast, highly secure and reliable network. SWIFT sets the performance benchmark for the financial telecommunications industry. At SWIFT, we guarantee the safe and timely delivery of validated messages, from the moment they enter to the moment they leave our network.

#### Partners

SWIFT's global partnering programme provides access to accredited vendors, consultants and specialist application providers. Our Partners can provide you with SWIFT-compatible software, middleware or customised applications to support your use of our messaging services and achieve end-to-end automation across your institution.

#### Training

Knowing how best to use a product or service is key to achieving greater efficiency. SWIFT offers a range of classroom and on-site training and elearning products, specifically tailored to meet your business needs. We can help you select the most suitable customer training to match your institution's profile and transaction activities.

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