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This document is for information purposes only and does not constitute an invitation or offer to acquire, purchase or subscribe for the CBBCs.

The CBBCs are complex products. Investors should exercise caution in relation to them. Investors are warned that the price of the CBBCs may fall in value as rapidly as it may rise and holders may sustain a total loss of their investment. Prospective purchasers should therefore ensure that they understand the nature of the CBBCs and carefully study the risk factors set out in the Base Listing Document (as defined below) and this document and, where necessary, seek professional advice, before they invest in the CBBCs.

The CBBCs constitute general unsecured and unsubordinated contractual obligations of us as the Issuer and of no other person and the Guarantee constitutes the general unsecured and senior preferred (as provided for in Article L. 613-30-3-I 3° of the French Code Monétaire et Financier) contractual obligations of our Guarantor and of no other person and will rank equally among themselves and with all our and our Guarantor's other unsecured obligations (save for those obligations preferred by law) upon liquidation. If you purchase the CBBCs, you are relying upon the creditworthiness of us and our Guarantor, and have no rights under the CBBCs against the Index Compiler or any other person. If we become insolvent or default on our obligations under the CBBCs or our Guarantor becomes insolvent or defaults on its obligations under the Guarantee, you may not be able to recover all or even part of the amount due under the CBBCs (if any). The Issuer is subject to the exercise of the bail-in powers under the Luxembourg legislation for implementation of the Bank Recovery and Resolution Directive (2014/59/EU), as amended ("BRRD"). The Guarantor is subject to the exercise of the bail-in powers under the French legislation for implementation of the BRRD.

## Non-collateralised Structured Products

# Launch Announcement and Supplemental Listing Document for Callable Bull/Bear Contracts over Index

**Issuer: SG Issuer** 

(incorporated in Luxembourg with limited liability)

and unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed by Guarantor: Société Générale

(incorporated in France)



Liquidity Provider: SG Securities (HK) Limited

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# **Key Terms**

CBBCs Stock code	49542	49543	49544	49545	
Liquidity Provider Broker ID	9702	9702	9704	9703	
Issue size	100,000,000 CBBCs	150,000,000 CBBCs	150,000,000 CBBCs	150,000,000 CBBCs	
Style / Category	European style cash settled category R	European style cash settled category R	European style cash settled category R	European style cash settled category R	
Туре	Bull	Bear	Bear	Bear	
Index	Nasdaq-100 Index	Nasdaq-100 Index	Nasdaq-100 Index	Nasdaq-100 Index	
Board Lot	10,000 CBBCs	10,000 CBBCs	10,000 CBBCs	10,000 CBBCs	
Issue Price per CBBC	HK\$0.250	HK\$0.250	HK\$0.250	HK\$0.250	
Funding Cost per CBBC	HK\$0.1867	HK\$0.2070	HK\$0.1970	HK\$0.1803	
as of Launch Date <sup>1</sup>	The Funding Cost will fluctuate throughout the life of the CBBCs				
Strike Level	16,050.00	18,600.00	18,900.00	19,400.00	
Call Level	16,250.00	18,400.00	18,700.00	19,200.00	
per Board Lot (if any) payable at expiry  Closing Level (for all series)	For a series of bull CBBCs:  (Closing Level - Strike Level) × one Board Lot × Index Currency Amount Divisor  (converted into the Settlement Currency at the Exchange Rate)  For a series of bear CBBCs: (Strike Level - Closing Level) × one Board Lot × Index Currency Amount Divisor  (converted into the Settlement Currency at the Exchange Rate)  The final settlement price for settling the E-mini Nasdaq-100 Futures Contracts that are scheduled to				
Index Exchange (for all series)	expire during the month in which the Expiry Date of the relevant series of the CBBCs is scheduled to fall (the "Index Futures Contracts") on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange (or its successor or assign) (the "Index Futures Exchange") <sup>2</sup> The NASDAQ Stock Market				
<b>Index Compiler (for all series)</b>	NASDAQ, Inc.				
<b>Index Currency Amount</b>	US\$1.00	US\$1.00	US\$1.00	US\$1.00	
Divisor	156,000	234,000	234,000	234,000	
Launch Date (for all series)	22 January 2024				
Issue Date (for all series)	24 January 2024				
<b>Listing Date</b> <sup>3</sup> (for all series)	25 January 2024				
Observation Commencement Date <sup>3,4</sup> (for all series)	25 January 2024				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Funding Cost is calculated in accordance with the following formula:

Funding Cost = Strike Level  $\times$  funding rate  $\times$  n / 365  $\times$  Index Currency Amount

# Divisor

(converted into HK\$ at the prevailing exchange rate)

# Where,

- (i) "n" is the number of days remaining to expiration; initially, "n" is the number of days from (and including) the Launch Date to (and including) the trading day immediately preceding the Expiry Date;
- (ii) the funding rate will fluctuate throughout the term of the CBBCs as further described in the "Key Risk Factors" section in this document. As of the Launch Date, the funding rate was 35.01% (for stock code 49542); 17.45% (for stock code 49543); 16.34% (for stock code 49544) and 14.57% (for stock code 49545); and
- (iii) the prevailing exchange rate is the rate of exchange between US\$ and HK\$ (expressed as the number of units of HK\$ per 1 unit of US\$) as of the relevant time as determined by the Issuer by reference to the mid quote as per the rate "USDHKD" on Bloomberg page BFIX. If such screen rate is not available for any reasons at such time on such date, the Issuer shall determine the exchange rate in a commercially reasonable manner.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Subject to our right to determine the Closing Level in good faith on the Valuation Date upon the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event as described further in Condition 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> During the period between the Launch Date and the scheduled Listing Date (both dates exclusive), if any severe weather occurs on any Business Day which either results in the Stock Exchange (i) being closed for trading for the entire day; or (ii) being closed prior to its regular time for close of trading for the relevant day, the Listing Date will be postponed (without any further notice or announcement) such that there is a period of two Business Days not affected by the aforementioned event(s) between the Launch Date and the postponed Listing Date (both dates exclusive). In such case, the Observation Commencement Date will also be postponed to the postponed Listing Date.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The closing level of the Index as compiled and published by the Index Compiler in respect of the Index Business Day immediately preceding the Observation Commencement Date will be deemed as the Spot Level of the Index as at 9:00a.m. (Hong Kong time) on the Observation Commencement Date.

CBBCs Stock code	49542	49543	49544	49545	
Valuation Date (New York time) <sup>5</sup>	20 September 2024	19 December 2025	19 December 2025	19 December 2025	
Expiry Date <sup>6</sup>	20 September 2024	19 December 2025	19 December 2025	19 December 2025	
Settlement Date (for all series)	The third CCASS Settlement Day after (i) the end of the MCE Valuation Period or (ii) the later of: (a) the Expiry Date; and (b) the day on which the Closing Level is determined in accordance with the Conditions (as the case may be)				
Settlement Currency	Hong Kong dollars	Hong Kong dollars	Hong Kong dollars	Hong Kong dollars	
Exchange Rate (for all series)	The rate of exchange between United States dollars ("US\$") and Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$") (expressed as the number of units of HK\$ per 1 unit of US\$) (i) (if the Mandatory Call Event occurs) at or about 4:00 p.m. New York time on the last Index Business Day of the MCE Valuation Period, or (ii) (if no Mandatory Call Event occurs) at or about 10:00 a.m. New York time on the Valuation Date, as determined by the Issuer by reference to the mid quote as per the rate "USDHKD" on Bloomberg page BFIX. If such screen rate is not available for any reasons at such time on such date, the Issuer shall determine the exchange rate in a commercially reasonable manner				
Effective Gearing <sup>7</sup>	3.47x	2.31x	2.31x	2.31x	
Gearing <sup>7</sup>	3.47x	2.31x	2.31x	2.31x	
Premium <sup>7</sup>	21.52%	35.80%	34.07%	31.18%	

In addition, the following amendments shall be made to Condition 2:

- (i) The definition of "Day of Notification" shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:
  - ""Day of Notification" means the Trading Day immediately following the MCE Termination Date;"
- (ii) The definition of "MCE Termination Date" shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

## ""MCE Termination Date" means:

- (1) where a Mandatory Call Event occurs on an Index Business Day, the Trading Day immediately following the Index Business Day on which the Mandatory Call Event occurs;
- (2) notwithstanding paragraph (1), where a Mandatory Call Event is deemed to have occurred as at 9:00a.m. (Hong Kong time) on the Observation Commencement Date, the Observation Commencement Date;"
- (iii) The definition of "Spot Level" shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

""Spot Level" means the spot level of the Index as compiled and published by the Index Compiler (expressed in the nearest 2 decimal places), provided that for the purpose of determining the Spot Level as at 9:00a.m. (Hong Kong time) on the Observation Commencement Date, the closing level of the Index as compiled and published by the Index Compiler in respect of the Index Business Day immediately preceding the Observation Commencement Date (expressed in the nearest 2 decimal places) will be deemed as the relevant Spot Level as at 9:00a.m. (Hong Kong time) on the Observation Commencement Date. For the avoidance of doubt, in rounding the spot level of the Index as compiled and published by the Index Compiler, if the relevant figure is 0.005 or above, it will be rounded up to 0.01. If the relevant figure is below 0.005, it will be rounded down to 0.00;"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> If such day is not the day on which the relevant Index Futures Contracts expire on the Index Futures Exchange, the day on which the relevant Index Futures Contracts will expire on the Index Futures Exchange.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> If such day is not a Business Day, the immediately following Business Day. "**Business Day**" is defined in the Conditions to mean a day (excluding Saturdays) on which the Stock Exchange is scheduled to open for dealings in Hong Kong and banks are open for business in Hong Kong.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> This data may fluctuate during the life of the CBBCs and may not be comparable to similar information provided by other issuers of CBBCs. Each issuer may use different pricing models.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The CBBCs are listed structured products which involve derivatives. Do not invest in them unless you fully understand and are willing to assume the risks associated with them.

# What documents should you read before investing in the CBBCs?

You must read this document together with our base listing document dated 6 April 2023 (the "Base Listing Document"), as supplemented by any addendum thereto (together, the "Listing **Documents**"), in particular the section "Terms and Conditions of the European Style Cash Settled Callable Bull/Bear Contracts over an Index (Global Form of Certificate)" (the "Conditions") set out in our Base Listing Document. This document (as read in conjunction with our Base Listing Document and each addendum referred to in the section headed "Product Summary Statement") is accurate as at the date of this document. You should carefully study the risk factors set out in the Listing Documents. You should also consider your financial position and investment objectives before deciding to invest in the CBBCs. We cannot give you investment advice. You must decide whether the CBBCs meet your investment needs before investing in the CBBCs.

# Is there any guarantee or collateral for the CBBCs?

Our obligations under the CBBCs are unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed by our Guarantor. If we become insolvent or default on our obligations under the CBBCs and our Guarantor becomes insolvent or defaults on its obligations under the Guarantee, you can only claim as an unsecured creditor of the Issuer and our Guarantor. In such event, you may not be able to recover all or even part of the amount due under the CBBCs (if any).

# What are our Guarantor's credit ratings?

Our Guarantor's long term credit ratings are:

Rating agency Rating as of the date of

this document

Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

A1 (with stable outlook)
S&P Global Ratings

A (with stable outlook)

Rating agencies usually receive a fee from the companies that they rate. When evaluating our Guarantor's creditworthiness, you should not solely rely on our Guarantor's credit ratings because:

- a credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold the CBBCs:
- ratings of companies may involve difficult-to-quantify factors such as market competition, the success or failure of new products and markets and managerial competence;
- a high credit rating is not necessarily indicative of low risk.
   Our Guarantor's credit ratings as of the date of this document are for reference only. Any downgrading of our Guarantor's ratings could result in a reduction in the value of the CBBCs;
- a credit rating is not an indication of the liquidity or volatility of the CBBCs; and
- a credit rating may be downgraded if the credit quality of the Guarantor declines.

## The CBBCs are not rated.

Our Guarantor's credit ratings are subject to change or withdrawal at any time within each rating agency's sole discretion. You should conduct your own research using publicly available sources to obtain the latest information with respect to our Guarantor's ratings from time to time.

# Is the Issuer or our Guarantor regulated by the Hong Kong Monetary Authority referred to in Rule 15A.13(2) or the Securities and Futures Commission referred to in Rule 15A.13(3)?

We are a Financial Institution in the meaning of the Luxembourg Law of 5 April 1993 on the Financial Sector (as amended) relating to the financial sector. The Hong Kong Branch of our Guarantor is a licensed bank in Hong Kong regulated by the Hong Kong Monetary Authority. Our Guarantor is also regulated by, amongst others, the Autorité de Contrôle Prudentiel (French Prudential Supervisory Authority) in France.

## Is the Issuer or our Guarantor subject to any litigation?

Save as disclosed in the Listing Documents, none of us, our Guarantor or any of its subsidiaries is aware of any litigation or claims of material importance pending or threatened against any of us.

# Has our or our Guarantor's financial position changed since last financial year-end?

- (i) There has been no material adverse change in the financial or trading position of us since 31 December 2022; and
- (ii) there has been no material adverse change in the financial or trading position of our Guarantor since 31 December 2022.

# PRODUCT SUMMARY STATEMENT

The CBBCs are listed structured products which involve derivatives. This statement provides you with key information about the CBBCs. You should not invest in the CBBCs based on the information contained in this statement alone. You should read and understand the remaining sections of this document, together with the other Listing Documents, before deciding whether to invest.

## Overview of the CBBCs

## What is a CBBC?

A CBBC linked to an index is an instrument which tracks the performance of the underlying index.

The trading price of the CBBCs tends to follow closely the movement of the Index level in dollar value.

Similar to a derivative warrant, a CBBC may provide a leveraged return to you. Conversely, such leverage could also magnify your losses.

A bull CBBC is designed for an investor holding a view that the level of the underlying index will increase during the term of the CBBC.

A bear CBBC is designed for an investor holding a view that the level of the underlying index will decrease during the term of the CBBC.

## How do the CBBCs work?

The CBBCs are European style cash settled callable bull/bear contracts linked to the Index. Subject to no occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event (see "Mandatory call feature" below), the CBBCs can only be exercised on the Expiry Date.

#### Mandatory call feature

A Mandatory Call Event occurs if the Spot Level is at or below (in respect of a series of bull CBBCs) or at or above (in respect of a series of bear CBBCs) the Call Level at any time during an Index Business Day in the Observation Period.

The Observation Period commences from the Observation Commencement Date up to and including the close of trading of the Stock Exchange (Hong Kong time) on the Trading Day immediately preceding the Expiry Date (both dates inclusive). "**Trading Day**" means any day on which the Stock Exchange is scheduled to open for trading for its regular trading sessions.

For the purpose of determining if the Mandatory Call Event has occurred on the Observation Commencement Date, the closing level of the Index as compiled and published by the Index Compiler in respect of the Index Business Day immediately preceding the Observation Commencement Date will be deemed as the Spot Level of the Index as at 9:00a.m. (Hong Kong time) on the Observation Commencement Date. The Mandatory Call Event will be deemed to have occurred as at 9:00a.m. (Hong Kong time) on the Observation Commencement Date if the relevant Spot Level is at or below (in respect of a series of bull CBBCs) or at or above (in respect of a series of bear CBBCs) the Call Level.

Except for the Spot Level determination as at 9:00am (Hong Kong time) on the Observation Commencement Date as described above, the time at which the Mandatory Call Event occurs will be determined by reference to the time the relevant Index level is published by the Index Compiler. The Index level is calculated and published during the trading hours of the Index Exchange. The trading days and hours of the Index Exchange (based on Hong Kong time) is different from that of the Stock Exchange. The Mandatory Call Event will only be triggered during non-trading hours of the Stock Exchange if the Spot Level is at or below (in respect of a series of bull CBBCs) or at or above (in respect of a series of bear CBBCs) the Call Level during the Observation Period.

Upon the occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event:

- (i) trading in the CBBCs will be suspended before the commencement of the continuous trading session of the Stock Exchange immediately following the Mandatory Call Event (for the avoidance of doubt, where the Mandatory Call Event is deemed to have occurred as at 9:00a.m. (Hong Kong time) on the Observation Commencement Date, trading in the CBBCs will be suspended before the commencement of the continuous trading session of the Stock Exchange on the Observation Commencement Date);
- (ii) subject to the limited circumstances set out in the Conditions in which a Mandatory Call Event may be reversed, the CBBCs will be terminated and all Post MCE Trades will be invalid and will be cancelled and will not be recognised by us or the Stock Exchange. The term "Post MCE Trades" means, subject to such modification and amendment prescribed by the Stock Exchange from time to time, all trades concluded after the Mandatory Call Event.

# **Residual Value calculation**

The CBBCs are Category R as the Call Level is different from the Strike Level. Upon the occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event, the holder may be entitled to a cash amount called the "**Residual Value**" net of any Exercise Expenses (as defined under the heading "Exercise Expenses" in the sub-section titled "What are the fees and charges?" below).

The Residual Value will be calculated in accordance with a formula by reference to the lowest Spot Level (in respect of a series of bull CBBCs) or the highest Spot Level (in respect of a series of bear CBBCs) of the Index in the trading session during which a Mandatory Call Event occurs and in the following session, subject to potential extension as further described in Condition 2.

The Residual Value per Board Lot (if any) payable is calculated as follows:

In respect of a series of bull CBBCs:

# $\underline{(Minimum\ Index\ Level\ -\ Strike\ Level)} \times one\ Board\ Lot \times \underline{Index\ Currency\ Amount}$

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(converted into the Settlement Currency at the Exchange Rate)

In respect of a series of bear CBBCs:

## (Strike Level - Maximum Index Level) × one Board Lot × Index Currency Amount

Divisor

(converted into the Settlement Currency at the Exchange Rate)

Where:

"Minimum Index Level" means, in respect of a series of bull CBBCs, the lowest Spot Level of the Index during the MCE Valuation Period:

"Maximum Index Level" means, in respect of a series of bear CBBCs, the highest Spot Level of the Index during the MCE Valuation Period;

"MCE Valuation Period" means, subject to any extension (as described in further detail in the Conditions), the period commencing from and including the moment upon which the Mandatory Call Event occurs and up to the end of the following trading session on the Index Exchange. For the avoidance of doubt, if the Mandatory Call Event is deemed to have occurred as at 9:00a.m. (Hong Kong time) on the Observation Commencement Date, the MCE Valuation Period means the period commencing from and including the moment upon which the Mandatory Call Event occurs (i.e. 9:00a.m. (Hong Kong time) on the Observation Commencement Date) and up to the end of the following trading session on the Index Exchange; and

"Spot Level" means the spot level of the Index as compiled and published by the Index Compiler (expressed in the nearest 2 decimal places), provided that for the purpose of determining the Spot Level as at 9:00a.m. (Hong Kong time) on the Observation Commencement Date, the closing level of the Index as compiled and published by the Index Compiler in respect of the Index Business Day immediately preceding the Observation Commencement Date (expressed in the nearest 2 decimal places) will be deemed as the relevant Spot Level as at 9:00a.m. (Hong Kong time) on the Observation Commencement Date. For the avoidance of doubt, in rounding the spot level of the Index as compiled and published by the Index Compiler, if the relevant figure is 0.005 or above, it will be rounded up to 0.01. If the relevant figure is below 0.005, it will be rounded down to 0.00.

If the Residual Value is equal to or less than the Exercise Expenses (if any), you will lose all of your investment.

# At expiry

If a Mandatory Call Event has not occurred during the Observation Period, the CBBCs will be terminated on the Expiry Date.

A bull CBBC will be automatically exercised at expiry without the need for the holder to deliver an exercise notice if the Closing Level is above the Strike Level. The more the Closing Level is above the Strike Level, the higher the payoff at expiry. If the Closing Level is at or below the Strike Level, you will lose all of your investment in the bull CBBC.

A bear CBBC will be automatically exercised at expiry without the need for the holder to deliver an exercise notice if the Closing Level is below the Strike Level. The more the Closing Level is below the Strike Level, the higher the payoff at expiry. If the Closing Level is at or above the Strike Level, you will lose all of your investment in the bear CBBC.

Upon the automatic exercise of the CBBCs, the holder is entitled to a cash amount called the "Cash Settlement Amount" net of any Exercise Expenses (as defined under the heading "Exercise Expenses" in the sub-section titled "What are the fees and charges?" below) according to the terms and conditions in the Listing Documents. If the Cash Settlement Amount is equal to or less than the Exercise Expenses (if any), you will lose all of your investment in the CBBCs.

# • Can you sell the CBBCs before the Expiry Date?

Yes. We have made an application for listing of, and permission to deal in, the CBBCs on the Stock Exchange. All necessary arrangements have been made to enable the CBBCs to be admitted into the Central Clearing and Settlement System ("CCASS"). Issue of the CBBCs is conditional upon listing approval being granted. From the Listing Date up to the Trading Day immediately preceding the Expiry Date (both dates inclusive), you may sell or buy the CBBCs on the Stock Exchange. No application has been made to list the CBBCs on any other stock exchange.

The CBBCs may only be transferred in a Board Lot (or integral multiples thereof). Where a transfer of CBBCs takes place on the Stock Exchange, currently settlement must be made not later than two CCASS Settlement Days after such transfer.

The Liquidity Provider will make a market in the CBBCs by providing bid and/or ask prices. See the section headed "Liquidity" below.

## • What is your maximum loss?

The maximum loss in the CBBCs will be your entire investment amount plus any transaction costs.

## What are the factors determining the price of a CBBC?

The price of a CBBC linked to an index generally depends on the level of the underlying index (being the Index for the CBBCs). However, throughout the term of the CBBCs, the price of the CBBCs will be influenced by a number of factors, including:

- the Strike Level and Call Level of the CBBCs;
- the likelihood of the occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event;
- the probable range of Residual Value (if any) upon the occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event;
- the time remaining to expiry;
- the interim interest rates and expected dividend payments or other distributions on any components comprising the Index;
- the liquidity of the futures contracts relating to the Index;
- the supply and demand for the CBBCs;
- the prevailing exchange rates;
- the probable range of the Cash Settlement Amount;
- our related transaction costs and taxes (including any applicable withholding tax); and
- the creditworthiness of the Issuer and our Guarantor.

Although the price of the CBBCs tends to follow closely the movement of the Index level in dollar value, movements in the price of the CBBCs are affected by a number of factors (including those as set out above) and may not always follow closely the movements in the Index level, especially when the Spot Level is close to the Call Level or there may be expected dividend payments or other distributions on any components comprising the Index during the life of the CBBCs. It is possible that the price of the CBBCs does not increase as much as the increase (in respect of the bull CBBCs) or decrease (in respect of the bear CBBCs) in the level of the Index.

# Risks of investing in the CBBCs

You must read the section headed "Key Risk Factors" in this document together with the risk factors set out in our Base Listing Document. You should consider all these factors collectively when making your investment decision.

## Liquidity

# • How to contact the Liquidity Provider for quotes?

Liquidity Provider: SG Securities (HK) Limited

Address: Level 38, Three Pacific Place, 1 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong

Telephone Number: (852) 2166 4270

The Liquidity Provider is regulated by the Stock Exchange and the Securities and Futures Commission. It is an affiliate of the Issuer and will act as our agent in providing quotes. You can request a quote by calling the Liquidity Provider at the telephone number above.

- What is the Liquidity Provider's maximum response time for a quote? The Liquidity Provider will respond within 10 minutes and the quote will be displayed on the Stock Exchange's designated stock page for the CBBCs.
- Maximum spread between bid and ask prices: 20 spreads
- Minimum quantity for which liquidity will be provided: 20 Board Lots
- What are the circumstances under which the Liquidity Provider is not obliged to provide liquidity?

There will be circumstances under which the Liquidity Provider is not obliged to provide liquidity. Such circumstances include:

- (i) upon the occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event;
- (ii) during the first 5 minutes of each morning trading session or the first 5 minutes after trading commences for the first time on a trading day;
- (iii) during a pre-opening session or a closing auction session (if applicable) or any other circumstances as may be prescribed by the Stock Exchange;
- (iv) when the CBBCs are suspended from trading for any reason;
- if there occurs or exists any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading of options or futures contracts relating to the Index or
  if the Index level is not calculated or published as scheduled for any reason;
- (vi) when there are no CBBCs available for market making activities. In such event, the Liquidity Provider shall continue to provide bid prices. CBBCs held by us or any of our affiliates in a fiduciary or agency capacity are not CBBCs available for market making activities;
- (vii) when there are operational and technical problems beyond the control of the Liquidity Provider hindering the ability of the Liquidity Provider to provide liquidity;
- (viii) if the stock market experiences exceptional price movement and high volatility over a short period of time which materially affects the Liquidity Provider's ability to source a hedge or unwind an existing hedge; or
- (ix) if the theoretical value of the CBBCs is less than HK\$0.01. If the Liquidity Provider chooses to provide liquidity under this circumstance, both bid and ask prices will be made available.

You should read the sub-section entitled "Possible limited secondary market" under the "Key Risk Factors" section for further information on the key risks when the Liquidity Provider is not able to provide liquidity.

## How can you obtain further information?

#### Information about the Index

You may obtain information on the Index by visiting the Index Compiler's website at https://www.nasdaq.com/nasdaq-100.

## • Information about the CBBCs after issue

You may visit the Stock Exchange's website at <a href="https://www.hkex.com.hk/products/securities/structured-products/overview?sc\_lang=en">https://www.hkex.com.hk/products/securities/structured-products/overview?sc\_lang=en</a> or our website at <a href="http://hk.warrants.com">http://hk.warrants.com</a> to obtain information on the CBBCs or any notice given by us or the Stock Exchange in relation to the CBBCs.

## Information about us and our Guarantor

You should read the section "Updated Information about Us and our Guarantor" in this document. You may visit www.societegenerale.com to obtain general corporate information about our Guarantor.

We have included references to websites in this document to indicate how further information may be obtained. Information appearing on those websites does not form part of the Listing Documents. We accept no responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of the information appearing on those websites. You should conduct your own due diligence (including without limitation web searches) to ensure that you are viewing the most up-to-date information.

# What are the fees and charges?

# • Trading Fees and Levies

For each transaction effected on the Stock Exchange, the following trading fees and levies calculated on the value of the consideration for the CBBCs will be payable by each of the seller and the buyer:

- (i) a trading fee of 0.00565 per cent. charged by the Stock Exchange;
- (ii) a transaction levy of 0.0027 per cent. charged by the Securities and Futures Commission; and
- (iii) a transaction levy of 0.00015 per cent. charged by the Accounting and Financial Reporting Council.

The levy for the investor compensation fund is currently suspended.

#### Exercise Expenses

You are responsible for any Exercise Expenses. Exercise Expenses mean any charges or expenses including any taxes or duties which are incurred in respect of the early termination of the CBBCs upon the occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event or the exercise of the CBBCs at expiry. Any Exercise Expenses will be deducted from the Residual Value or the Cash Settlement Amount payable at expiry (if any, as the case may be). If the Residual Value or the Cash Settlement Amount payable at expiry (as the case may be) is equal to or less than the Exercise Expenses, no amount is payable. As at the date of this document, no Exercise Expenses are payable for cash settled callable bull/bear contracts (including the CBBCs).

# • Stamp Duty

No stamp duty is currently payable in Hong Kong on transfer of cash settled callable bull/bear contracts (including the CBBCs).

You should note that any transaction cost will reduce your gain or increase your loss under your investment in the CBBCs.

# What is the legal form of the CBBCs?

Each series of the CBBCs will be represented by a global certificate in the name of HKSCC Nominees Limited that is the only legal owner of the CBBCs. We will not issue definitive certificates for the CBBCs. You may arrange for your broker to hold the CBBCs in a securities account on your behalf, or if you have a CCASS Investor Participant securities account, you may arrange for the CBBCs to be held in such account. You will have to rely on the records of CCASS and/or the statements you receive from your brokers as evidence of your beneficial interest in the CBBCs.

# Can we adjust the terms or early terminate the CBBCs?

The occurrence of certain events (including, without limitation, a succession of the Index or Index Compiler, modification or cessation of calculation of the Index) may entitle us to adjust the terms and conditions of the CBBCs. However, we are not obliged to adjust the terms and conditions of the CBBCs for every event that affects the Index.

We may early terminate the CBBCs if it becomes illegal or impracticable for us (i) to perform our obligations under the CBBCs as a result of a change in law event, or (ii) to maintain our hedging arrangement with respect to the CBBCs due to a change in law event. In such event, the amount payable by us (if any) will be the fair market value of the CBBCs less our cost of unwinding any related hedging arrangements as determined by us, which may be substantially less than your initial investment and may be zero.

Please refer to Conditions 3 and 5 for details about adjustments or early termination events. Such events may negatively affect your investment and you may suffer a loss.

## Mode of settlement for the CBBCs

Subject to early termination upon the occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event, the CBBCs will be automatically exercised on the Expiry Date in integral multiples of the Board Lot if the Cash Settlement Amount is positive. If the Cash Settlement Amount is zero or negative, or is equal to or less than the Exercise Expenses, you will lose all of your investment.

Upon the occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event, the CBBCs will be early terminated and the holder is entitled to the Residual Value (if any) net of any Exercise Expenses.

We will deliver a cash amount in the Settlement Currency equal to the Residual Value or the Cash Settlement Amount payable at expiry net of any Exercise Expenses (if any) no later than the Settlement Date to HKSCC Nominees Limited (as the registered holder of the CBBCs), which will then distribute such amount to the securities account of your broker (and if applicable, its custodian) or to your CCASS Investor Participant securities account (as the case may be). You may have to rely on your broker (and if applicable, its custodian) to ensure that the Residual Value or the Cash Settlement Amount payable at expiry (if any) is credited to your account maintained with your broker. Once we make the payment to HKSCC Nominees Limited, who operates CCASS, you will have no further right against us for that payment, even if CCASS or your broker (and if applicable, its custodian) does not transfer your share of payment to you, or is late in making such payment transfer.

Payment of the Residual Value or the Cash Settlement Amount payable at expiry (if any) may be delayed if a Settlement Disruption Event occurs on the Settlement Date, as a result of which we are unable to deliver such amount through CCASS on such day. See Condition 4 for further information.

# Where can you read the relevant documents of the CBBCs?

Copies of the following documents are available on the website of the HKEX at www.hkexnews.hk and our website at http://hk.warrants.com:

- each of the Listing Documents (in separate English and Chinese versions), including:
  - this document
  - our Base Listing Document
  - our Addendum dated 28 April 2023
  - our Addendum dated 22 August 2023
  - our Addendum dated 29 September 2023

which include our and our Guarantor's latest audited consolidated financial statements and any interim or quarterly financial statements; and

consent letters of the Auditors.

以上各文件可於香港交易所披露易網站 (www.hkexnews.hk) 以及本公司網站 (http://hk.warrants.com) 瀏覽。

# Are there any dealings in the CBBCs before the Listing Date?

It is possible that there may have been dealings in the CBBCs before the Listing Date. If there are any dealings in the CBBCs by us or any of our subsidiaries or associated companies from the Launch Date prior to the Listing Date, we will report those dealings to the Stock Exchange by the Listing Date and such report will be released on the website of the Stock Exchange.

# Have the auditors consented to the inclusion of their reports to the Listing Documents?

Our auditor and our Guarantor's auditors ("Auditors") have given and have not since withdrawn their written consent to the inclusion of our auditor's report dated 28 April 2023 and the Guarantor's auditors' report dated 13 March 2023 respectively and/or the references to their names in the Listing Documents, in the form and context in which they are included. Their reports were not prepared exclusively for incorporation into the Listing Documents. The Auditors do not own any of our shares or shares in any member of our group, nor do they have the right (whether legally enforceable or not) to subscribe for or to nominate persons to subscribe for our securities or securities of any member of our group.

# Authorisation of the CBBCs

The issue of the CBBCs was authorised by our executive board on 19 November 2015.

# **Selling restrictions**

The CBBCs have not been and will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and will not be offered, sold, delivered or traded, at any time, indirectly or directly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person (as defined in the Securities Act).

The offer or transfer of the CBBCs is also subject to the selling restrictions specified in our Base Listing Document.

#### **Taxation in the United States of America**

# Foreign Account Tax Compliance Withholding

Pursuant to certain provisions of the Code, commonly known as FATCA, a "foreign financial institution" may be required to withhold on certain payments it makes ("foreign passthru payments") to, or in certain cases, close the accounts of, persons that fail to meet certain certification, reporting, or related requirements. The issuer is a foreign financial institution for these purposes. A number of jurisdictions (including France) have entered into, or have agreed in substance to, intergovernmental agreements with the United States to implement FATCA ("IGAs"), which modify the way in which FATCA applies in their jurisdictions. Certain aspects of the application of the FATCA provisions and IGAs to instruments such as the CBBCs, including whether withholding would ever be required pursuant to FATCA or an IGA with respect to payments on instruments such as the CBBCs, are uncertain and may be subject to change. Even if withholding would be required pursuant to FATCA or an IGA with respect to foreign passthru payments on instruments such as the CBBCs, such withholding would not apply prior to the date that is two years after the date on which the final U.S. Treasury Regulations defining "foreign passthru payments" are published in the Federal Register. Holders should consult their own tax advisors regarding how these rules may apply to their investment in the CBBCs. In the event any withholding would be required pursuant to FATCA or an IGA with respect to payments on the CBBCs, no person will be required to pay additional amounts as a result of the withholding.

## Section 871(m) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986

U.S. Treasury regulations issued under Section 871(m) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986 ("Section 871(m) Regulations") generally impose a 30% withholding tax on dividend equivalents paid or deemed paid to a non-United States holder as defined pursuant to Section 871(m) Regulations (a "Non-U.S. Holder") with respect to certain financial instruments linked to U.S. equities (or other securities that can pay U.S.-source dividend income) or indices that include U.S. equities (or such securities) ("U.S. Underlying Equities"). The 30% withholding tax on dividend equivalents paid or deemed paid to Non-U.S. Holders may be reduced by an applicable tax treaty, eligible for credit against other U.S. tax liabilities or refunded, provided that the beneficial owner claims a credit or refund from the United States Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") in a timely manner, but the Issuer makes no assessment as to whether any such tax credits will be available to Non-U.S. Holders.

Specifically, Section 871(m) Regulations will generally apply to securities the pricing date of which occurs from 1 January 2017 and that substantially replicate the economic performance of one or more U.S. Underlying Equity(ies) as determined by the Issuer on the date for such securities as of which the expected delta of the product is determined by the Issuer (such date being the "pricing date") based on tests in accordance with the applicable Section 871(m) Regulations (for the purposes of the relevant notices describing these rules, such securities are deemed "delta-one" instruments) ("Specified Securities"). If one or more of the U.S. Underlying Equities are expected to pay dividends during the term of any Specified Securities, withholding generally will still be required even if the Specified Security does not provide for payments explicitly linked to dividends. The Section 871(m) Regulations are scheduled to apply to a broader range of derivative instruments referencing U.S. Underlying Equity(ies) as of 1 January 2025. Securities that track certain broad-based indices that meet the requirements of a "Qualified Index" as set forth in the applicable rules under the Section 871(m) Regulations are not subject to withholding under Section 871(m) Regulations and will not be treated as Specified Securities. Investors are advised that the Issuer's determination is binding on all Non-U.S. Holders of such securities, but it is not binding on the IRS and the IRS may therefore disagree with the Issuer's determination.

The Issuer has determined that the CBBCs track a Qualified Index and are therefore not Specified Securities for the purposes of Section 871(m) Regulations.

The rules of Section 871(m) Regulations require complex calculations in respect of the instruments that include U.S. Underlying Equities and application of these rules to a specific issue of CBBCs may be uncertain. Consequently the IRS may determine they are to be applied even if the Issuer initially assumed the rules would not apply. There is a risk in such case that holders of the CBBCs are subject to withholding tax expost

As neither the Issuer nor the withholding agent will be required to gross up any amounts withheld in connection with a Specified Security, holders will receive smaller payments in such case than they would have received without withholding tax being imposed.

Investors should consult their tax adviser regarding the potential application of Section 871(m) Regulations to their investment in the CBBCs.

# Capitalised terms and inconsistency

Unless otherwise specified, capitalised terms used in this document have the meanings set out in the Conditions. If this document is inconsistent with our Base Listing Document, this document shall prevail.

# INFORMATION ON THE INDEX

The information on the Index set out below is extracted from or based on the English version of publicly available information and, in particular, information from the Index Compiler. We do not give any representation whatsoever as to the truth, accuracy, completeness, adequacy or reasonableness of any of the information contained therein whether as at the date of this document or any other time, save that we have taken reasonable care to correctly extract, summarise and/or reproduce such information.

# Who is the Index Compiler?

The Index is compiled and published by NASDAQ, Inc. (the "Index Compiler").

# How is the Index level disseminated?

The Index level is disseminated through the website of the Index Compiler at https://www.nasdaq.com/nasdaq-100 and various information vendors. You should contact your stockbroker for further information.

# **Description of the Index**

The Index is a modified market capitalization-weighted index of 100 of the largest non-financial domestic and international issuers listed on The NASDAQ Stock Market. No single security can have more than a 24% weighting of the Index. The Index was developed with a base value of 125 as of 31 January 1985.

# Constituent stocks of the Index

The Index includes 100 of the largest non-financial securities listed on The NASDAQ Stock Market based on market capitalization. It does not contain securities of financial companies including investment companies. An updated list of the constituent stocks comprising the Index is available at <a href="https://www.nasdaq.com/market-activity/quotes/nasdaq-ndx-index">https://www.nasdaq.com/market-activity/quotes/nasdaq-ndx-index</a>.

# How is the Index calculated?

The Index is a modified market capitalization-weighted index. The value of the Index equals the aggregate value of the Index share weights, also known as the Index Shares, of each of the Index Securities multiplied by each security's last sale price, and divided by the divisor of the Index. The divisor serves the purpose of scaling such aggregate value to a lower order of magnitude which is more desirable for Index reporting purposes. If trading in an Index Security is halted on its primary listing market, the most recent last sale price for that security is used for all index computations until trading on such market resumes. Likewise, the most recent last sale price is used if trading in a security is halted on its primary listing market before the market is open. The Index began on 31 January 1985 at a base value of 125.00, as adjusted.

The formula for index value is as follows:

Aggregate Adjusted Market Value/Divisor

The formula for the divisor is as follows:

(Market Value after Adjustments/Market Value before Adjustments) x Divisor before Adjustments

# What are the arrangements if the index level is not published by the Index Compiler?

If the Index Compiler fails to calculate and publish the index level, we shall determine the index level of the Index using, in lieu of a published level for the Index, the level for the Index as at the relevant day as determined by us in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the Index last in effect prior to such failure, but using only those constituent securities that comprised the Index immediately prior to such failure (other than those constituent securities that have since ceased to be listed on the relevant exchange).

# What are the historic highs and lows of the Index for the last 5 years?

The highest and lowest closing levels of the Index from the year 2019 to 2024 (up to the latest practicable date) are:

Year / Period	Highest closing level	Lowest closing level
2019	8,778.31	6,147.13
2020	12,888.28	6,994.29
2021	16,573.34	12,299.08
2022	16,501.77	10,679.34
2023	16,906.80	10,741.22
2024 (up to the latest practicable date)	17,330.38	16,282.01

# What is the closing level of the Index on the latest practicable date?

According to information published on the Index Compiler's website, the closing level of the Index as at the close of business on the latest practicable date was 17,330.38.

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For more information on the Index, please visit the Index website, https://www.nasdaq.com/nasdaq-100.

# KEY RISK FACTORS

You must read these key risk factors together with the risk factors set out in our Base Listing Document. These key risk factors do not necessarily cover all risks related to the CBBCs. If you have any concerns or doubts about the CBBCs, you should obtain independent professional advice.

# Non-collateralised structured products

The CBBCs are not secured on any of our or our Guarantor's assets or any collateral.

## Credit risk

If you invest in the CBBCs, you are relying on our creditworthiness and our Guarantor's creditworthiness and of no other person. If we become insolvent or default on our obligations under the CBBCs or our Guarantor becomes insolvent or defaults on its obligations under our Guarantee, you can only claim as our or our Guarantor's unsecured creditor regardless of the performance of the Index and may not be able to recover all or even part of the amount due under the CBBCs (if any). You have no rights under the terms of the CBBCs against the Index Compiler or any company which has issued any constituent securities of the Index.

# CBBCs are not principal protected and may become worthless

Given the gearing effect inherent in the CBBCs, a small change in the Index level may lead to a substantial price movement in the CBBCs.

Unlike stocks, the CBBCs have a limited life and will be early terminated upon the occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event or expire on the Expiry Date. In the worst case, the CBBCs may be early terminated or expire with no value and you will lose all of your investment. The CBBCs may only be suitable for experienced investors who are willing to accept the risk that they may lose all their investment.

## The CBBCs can be volatile

Prices of the CBBCs may rise or fall rapidly. You should carefully consider, among other things, the following factors before dealing in the CBBCs:

- (i) the Strike Level and Call Level of the CBBCs;
- (ii) the likelihood of the occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event;
- (iii) the probable range of Residual Value (if any) upon the occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event;
- (iv) the time remaining to expiry;
- (v) the interim interest rates and expected dividend payments or other distributions on any components comprising the Index;
- (vi) the liquidity of the futures contracts relating to the Index;
- (vii) the supply and demand for the CBBCs;
- (viii) the probable range of the Cash Settlement Amount;
- (ix) the related transaction cost (including the Exercise Expenses, if any) and taxes (including any applicable withholding tax);
- (x) the prevailing exchange rates; and
- (xi) the creditworthiness of the Issuer and our Guarantor.

The value of the CBBCs may not follow closely the movements in the level of the Index. If you buy the CBBCs with a view to hedge against your exposure to any futures contract relating to the Index, it is possible that you could suffer loss in your investment in that futures contract and the CBBCs.

In particular, you should note that when the Spot Level of the Index is close to the Call Level, the trading price of the CBBCs will be more volatile. The change in the trading price of the CBBCs may not be comparable and may be disproportionate with the change in the Index level. In such case, a small change in the Index level may lead to a substantial price movement in the CBBCs.

## You may lose your entire investment when a Mandatory Call Event occurs

Unlike warrants, CBBCs has a mandatory call feature and trading in the CBBCs will be suspended when the Spot Level reaches the Call Level (subject to the circumstances in which a Mandatory Call Event will be reversed as set out in the sub-section titled "Mandatory Call Event is irrevocable" below). For the purpose of determining if the Mandatory Call Event has occurred on the Observation Commencement Date, the closing level of the Index as compiled and published by the Index Compiler in respect of the Index Business Day immediately preceding the Observation Commencement Date will be deemed as the Spot Level of the Index as at 9:00a.m. (Hong Kong time) on the Observation Commencement Date. The Mandatory Call Event will be deemed to have occurred as at 9:00a.m. (Hong Kong time) on the Observation Commencement Date if the relevant Spot Level is at or below (in respect of a series of bull CBBCs) or at or above (in respect of a series of bear CBBCs) the Call Level. No investors can sell the CBBCs after the occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event. Even if the level of the Index bounces back in the right direction, the CBBCs which have been terminated as a result of the Mandatory Call Event will not be revived and investors will not be able to profit from the bounce-back. Investors may receive a Residual Value after the occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event but such amount may be zero.

# Mandatory Call Event is irrevocable

A Mandatory Call Event is irrevocable unless it is triggered as a result of any of the following events:

- system malfunction or other technical errors of HKEX (such as the setting up of wrong Call Level or other parameters); or
- (ii) manifest errors caused by the relevant third party price source where applicable,

and provided that the relevant event is communicated to the other party by 30 minutes before the commencement of trading (including the pre-opening session) (Hong Kong time) on the Trading Day immediately following the MCE Termination Date and we agree with the Stock Exchange that such Mandatory Call Event is to be revoked.

In such case, the Mandatory Call Event so triggered will be reversed and all trades cancelled (if any) will be reinstated and the trading of the CBBCs will resume.

# **Delay in Mandatory Call Event notification**

We will notify the market as soon as reasonably practicable after the occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event. You should be aware that there may be a delay in our announcement of a Mandatory Call Event due to technical errors, system failures and other factors that are beyond the reasonable control of the Stock Exchange and us. In addition, the Index level is calculated and published during the trading hours of the Index Exchange. The trading days and hours of the Index Exchange (based on Hong Kong time) is different from that of the Stock Exchange. Except for the Spot Level as at 9:00am (Hong Kong time) on the Observation Commencement Date, the Mandatory Call Event will only be triggered during non-trading hours of the Stock Exchange if the Spot Level is at or below (in respect of a series of bull CBBCs) or at or above (in respect of a series of bear CBBCs) the Call Level during the Observation Period. In such event, we will notify the market as soon as reasonably practicable on the next Trading Day.

# **Non-Recognition of Post MCE Trades**

The Stock Exchange and its recognised exchange controller, HKEX, will not incur any liability (whether based on contract, tort, (including, without limitation, negligence), or any other legal or equitable grounds and without regard to the circumstances giving rise to any purported claim except in the case of wilful misconduct on the part of the Stock Exchange and/or HKEX) for, any direct, consequential, special, indirect, economic, punitive, exemplary or any other loss or damage suffered or incurred by us or any other party arising from or in connection with the Mandatory Call Event or the suspension of trading ("Trading Suspension") or the non-recognition of trades after a Mandatory Call Event ("Non-Recognition of Post MCE Trades"), including without limitation, any delay, failure, mistake or error in the Trading Suspension or Non-Recognition of Post MCE Trades.

We and our affiliates shall not have any responsibility for any losses suffered as a result of the Trading Suspension and/or Non-Recognition of Post MCE Trades in connection with the occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event, notwithstanding that such Trading Suspension or Non-Recognition of Post MCE Trades may have occurred as a result of an error in the observation of the event

## Fluctuation in the Funding Cost

The Issue Price of the CBBCs is set by reference to the difference between the initial reference spot level of the Index and the Strike Level, plus the applicable Funding Cost as of the Launch Date. The initial Funding Cost applicable to the CBBCs is specified in the section headed "Key Terms" in this document. It will fluctuate throughout the life of the CBBCs as the funding rate may change from time to time. The funding rate is a rate determined by us based on one or more of the following factors, including but not limited to the Strike Level, the prevailing interest rate, the prevailing exchange rate, the expected life of the CBBCs, any expected notional dividends in respect of any securities comprising the Index and the margin financing provided by us.

# Residual Value will not include residual Funding Cost

The Residual Value (if any) payable by us following the occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event will not include the residual Funding Cost for the CBBCs. When a Mandatory Call Event occurs, the investors will lose the Funding Cost for the full period.

# Our hedging activities

Our trading and/or hedging activities or those of our related parties related to the CBBCs and/or other financial instruments issued by us from time to time may have an impact on the Index level and may trigger a Mandatory Call Event.

In particular, when the Spot Level of the Index is close to the Call Level, our unwinding activities in relation to the Index may cause a fall or rise (as the case may be) in the Index level leading to a Mandatory Call Event as a result of such unwinding activities.

Before the occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event, we or our related party may unwind our hedging transactions relating to the CBBCs in proportion to the amount of the CBBCs we repurchase from the market from time to time. Upon the occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event, we or our related party may unwind any hedging transactions relating to the CBBCs. Such unwinding activities after the occurrence of a Mandatory Call Event may affect the Index level and consequently the Residual Value for the CBBCs.

# Time decay

All other factors being equal, the value of a CBBC is likely to decrease over time. Therefore, the CBBCs should not be viewed as a product for long term investments.

#### Possible limited secondary market

The Liquidity Provider may be the only market participant for the CBBCs and therefore the secondary market for the CBBCs may be limited. The more limited the secondary market, the more difficult it may be for you to realise the value in the CBBCs prior to expiry.

You should also be aware that the Liquidity Provider may not be able to provide liquidity when there are operational and technical problems hindering its ability to do so. Even if the Liquidity Provider is able to provide liquidity in such circumstances, its performance of liquidity provision may be adversely affected. For example:

- the spread between bid and ask prices quoted by the Liquidity Provider may be significantly wider than its normal standard;
- (ii) the quantity for which liquidity will be provided by the Liquidity Provider may be significantly smaller than its normal standard; and/or
- (iii) the Liquidity Provider's response time for a quote may be significantly longer than its normal standard.

# Change of calculation methodology or failure to publish the Index

If there is a material change in the calculation of the Index level or a failure to publish the Index, we may determine the Closing Level on the basis of the method last in effect prior to such change or failure.

# Publication of Index level when component shares are not trading

The Index Compiler may publish the Index level at a time when one or more shares comprising the Index are not trading. In such case, the Index level may be calculated by the Index Compiler by reference to the remaining stocks comprising the Index. This may have an unforeseen adverse impact on the value of your investment.

# Risks relating to difference in trading days and hours between the Index Exchange, the Index Futures Exchange and the Stock Exchange

The Index level is calculated and published during the trading hours of the Index Exchange. The trading days and hours of the Index Exchange (based on Hong Kong time) are different from that of the Stock Exchange, although the Index Futures Exchange and the Stock Exchange have overlapping trading hours. In assessing the price of the CBBCs, you should be aware of the differences in the time zone and the actual trading days and hours of the relevant exchanges in the U.S. and Hong Kong. For example:

- the Index level may be volatile during a period which the Stock Exchange is not open for trading of the CBBCs. In particular, you will not be able to sell the CBBCs when the Spot Level is close to the Call Level during the trading hours of the Index Exchange;
- (ii) except for the potential deemed occurrence of the Mandatory Call Event as at 9:00a.m. (Hong Kong time) on the Observation Commencement Date, the Mandatory Call Event will only be triggered during non-trading hours of the Stock Exchange if the Spot Level is at or below (in respect of a series of bull CBBCs) or at or above (in respect of a series of bear CBBCs) the Call Level outside the scheduled trading hours of the Stock Exchange during the Observation Period; and/or
- (iii) the price of the CBBCs may be volatile in response to the market movements in the price of the Index Futures Contracts during the overlapping trading hours between the Stock Exchange and the Index Futures Exchange during which the Index Exchange is not open for trading and the Spot Level is not updated.

# Less public information about the Index and such information may not be available in Chinese

There may be less publicly available information about the Index than those about Hong Kong indices and some of that information may not be available in Chinese. If you do not understand any such information, you should obtain independent advice.

# Political and economic risks relating to the Index

The Index level may be subject to political, economic, financial and social factors that apply in those geographical regions, which may differ favourably or unfavourably from those factors that apply to Hong Kong. Moreover, foreign economies may also differ favourably or unfavourably from the Hong Kong economy in important respects such as, including but not limited to, growth of gross national product, rate of inflation, capital reinvestment, resources and self-sufficiency.

## Exchange rate risks

As the trading price of the constituent stocks comprising the Index is quoted in US\$ but the CBBCs will be settled in HK\$, there will be an exchange rate risk when we convert US\$ into HK\$ in the calculation of the Cash Settlement Amount and Residual Value (if applicable).

# Possible delay in settlement

The Valuation Date could be postponed if such day is not the day on which the Index Futures Contracts expire on the Index Futures Exchange. Such postponement will in turn result in a delay for settlement of the CBBCs accordingly.

# Adjustment related risk

The occurrence of certain events (including, without limitation, a succession of the Index or Index Compiler, modification or cessation of calculation of the Index) may entitle us to adjust the terms and conditions of the CBBCs. However, we are not obliged to adjust the terms and conditions of the CBBCs for every event that affects the Index. Any adjustment or decision not to make any adjustment may adversely affect the value of the CBBCs. Please refer to Condition 5 for details about adjustments.

# Possible early termination

We may early terminate the CBBCs if it becomes illegal or impracticable for us (i) to perform our obligations under the CBBCs as a result of a change in law event, or (ii) to maintain our hedging arrangement with respect to the CBBCs due to a change in law event. In such event, the amount payable by us (if any) will be the fair market value of the CBBCs less our costs of unwinding any related hedging arrangements as determined by us, which may be substantially less than your initial investment and may be zero. Please refer to Condition 3 for details about our early termination rights.

# Time lag between early termination or exercise and settlement of the CBBCs

There is a time lag between the early termination or exercise of the CBBCs and payment of the Residual Value or the Cash Settlement Amount payable at expiry net of Exercise Expenses (if any). There may be delays in the electronic settlement or payment through CCASS.

#### Suspension of trading

If the calculation and/or publication of the Index level by the Index Compiler is suspended for whatever reasons, trading in the CBBCs may be suspended for a similar period. In such case, the price of the CBBCs may be subject to a significant impact of time decay due to such suspension and may fluctuate significantly upon resumption of trading, which may adversely affect your investment.

# Conflict of interest

We and our subsidiaries and affiliates engage in a wide range of commercial and investment banking, brokerage, funds management, hedging, investment and other activities and may possess material information about the Index or issue or update research reports on the Index. Such activities, information and/or research reports may involve or affect the Index and may cause consequences adverse to you or otherwise create conflicts of interests in connection with the issue of the CBBCs. We have no obligation to disclose such information and may issue research reports and engage in any such activities without regard to the issue of the CBBCs.

In the ordinary course of our business, we and our subsidiaries and affiliates may effect transactions for our own account or for the account of our customers and may enter into one or more transactions with respect to the Index or related derivatives. This may indirectly affect your interests.

## No direct contractual rights

The CBBCs are issued in global registered form and are held within CCASS. You will not receive any definitive certificate and your name will not be recorded in the register of the CBBCs. The evidence of your interest in the CBBCs, and the efficiency of the ultimate payment of the Residual Value or the Cash Settlement Amount payable at expiry net of Exercise Expenses (if any), are subject to the CCASS Rules. You will have to rely on your broker (or, if applicable, its direct or indirect custodians) and the statements you receive from it as evidence of your interest in the CBBCs. You do not have any direct contractual rights against us or our Guarantor. To assert your rights as an investor in the CBBCs, you will have to rely on your broker (and, if applicable, its direct or indirect custodian) to take action on your behalf. If your broker or, if applicable, its direct or indirect custodian:

- (i) fails to take action in accordance with your instructions;
- (ii) becomes insolvent; or
- (iii) defaults on its obligations,

you will need to take action against your broker in accordance with the terms of arrangement between you and your broker to establish your interest in the CBBCs first before you can assert your right of claim against us. You may experience difficulties in taking such legal proceedings. This is a complicated area of law and you should seek independent legal advice for further information.

# The Listing Documents should not be relied upon as the sole basis for your investment decision

The Listing Documents do not take into account your investment objectives, financial situation or particular needs. Nothing in the Listing Documents should be construed as a recommendation by us or our affiliates to invest in the CBBCs or any futures contracts relating to the Index.

# Regulatory action(s) by the relevant resolution authorities in the event that the Issuer and/or the Guarantor is failing or likely to fail could materially affect the value of the CBBCs

The Issuer is a financial institution incorporated in Luxembourg as a public limited liability company (société anonyme) and is subject to Luxembourg act dated 18 December 2015 on the failure of credit institutions and certain investment firms, as amended, implementing the BRRD. The Guarantor is a bank incorporated in France and is subject to the French legislation having implemented the BRRD and Regulation (EU) No 806/2014, as amended. The BRRD provides for the establishment of a European Union framework for the recovery and resolution of credit institutions and investment firms. In both Luxembourg and France, certain resolution authorities are conferred with substantial powers under the BRRD to enable them to take or exercise a wide range of actions or powers in relation to the relevant entities (such as the Issuer and/or the Guarantor) at risk of failing. These powers include the Bail-In Power, being powers to cancel or convert, all, or a portion, of any amounts payable by the Issuer and/or the Guarantor under the CBBCs and/or the Guarantee, into other securities or other obligations of the Issuer and/or the Guarantor (or of another person), including by means of a variation to the contractual terms of the CBBCs and/or the Guarantee. In addition, if the relevant resolution authority exercises its Bail-In Power on certain liabilities of the Guarantor, and such exercise of the Bail-In Power results in the write-down or cancellation of all, or a portion of, the principal amount, outstanding amount payable and/or interest in respect of such liabilities, and/or the conversion of such amount(s) into shares, other securities or other obligations of the Guarantor or another person, then the Issuer's obligations under the CBBCs will be limited to such payment and/or delivery obligations as if the CBBCs had been directly issued by the Guarantor itself, and as if any amount due under the CBBCs had accordingly been directly subject to the exercise of the Bail-In Power. The exercise of any resolution power under the BRRD by the relevant resolution authorities over the Issuer and/or the Guarantor could materially adversely affect the value of, and the potential payout under, the CBBCs, and you may not be able to recover all or even part of the amount due under the CBBCs.

# Consent to the exercise of Bail-In Power over the Issuer and/or the Guarantor with respect to its liabilities under the CBBCs and/or the Guarantee

By investing in the CBBCs, you acknowledge, accept, consent and agree to be contractually bound by the exercise of any Bail-In Power by the relevant resolution authorities over the Issuer and/or the Guarantor. If any Bail-In Power is exercised over the Issuer and/or the Guarantor, you may not be able to recover all or even part of the amount due under the CBBCs (if any) from the Issuer and/or from the Guarantor (under the Guarantee), or you may receive a different security issued by the Issuer and/or by the Guarantor (or another person) in place of the amount (if any) due to you under the CBBCs from the Issuer, which may be worth significantly less than the amount due to you under the CBBCs (if any). Moreover, the relevant resolution authorities may exercise their authorities to implement the Bail-In Power without providing any advance notice to you.

# Financial Institutions (Resolution) Ordinance

The Financial Institutions (Resolution) Ordinance (Cap. 628, the Laws of Hong Kong) (the "FIRO") was enacted by the Legislative Council of Hong Kong in June 2016. The FIRO (except Part 8, section 192 and Division 10 of Part 15 thereof) came into operation on 7 July 2017.

The FIRO provides a regime for the orderly resolution of financial institutions with a view to avoiding or mitigating the risks otherwise posed by their non-viability to the stability and effective working of the financial system of Hong Kong, including the continued performance of critical financial functions. The FIRO seeks to provide the relevant resolution authorities with a range of powers to bring about timely and orderly resolution in order to stabilise and secure continuity for a failing authorised institution in Hong Kong. In particular, it is envisaged that subject to certain safeguards, the relevant resolution authority would be provided with powers to affect contractual and property rights as well as payments (including in respect of any priority of payment) that creditors would receive in resolution, including but not limited to powers to write off, or convert into equity, all or a part of the liabilities of the failing financial institution.

The Issuer is not subject to and bound by the FIRO. However, the Guarantor, as an authorised institution regulated by the Hong Kong Monetary Authority, is subject to and bound by the FIRO. The exercise of any resolution power by the relevant resolution authority under the FIRO in respect of the Guarantor may have a material adverse effect on the value of the CBBCs, and as a result, you may not be able to recover all or any amount due under the CBBCs.

# Updated Information about Us and our Guarantor

On 3 November 2023, our Guarantor published a press release setting out its third quarter 2023 results. You may visit the website https://www.societegenerale.com/sites/default/files/documents/2023-11/Societe-Generale\_Q3-2023-Press-release\_EN.pdf to access such press release.

# **Share Capital**

As of 17 November 2023, the share capital of Societe Generale is EUR1,003,724,927.50 divided into 802,979,942 shares of EUR1.25 each.

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