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thinkFolio for Cash Management and FX

Managing currency and cash on a flexible cross-asset-class investment management platform

The challenge of generating positive returns in a low-yield environment has led to many firms broadening their geographical horizons in search of better opportunities This move to a cross-border investment strategy brings with it cash flow and currency management implications. Being able to model and manage cash flows and FX are key requirements for all types of investment firms.

Managing a portfolio also requires a full picture of all your investments, from existing positions to trades that have yet to settle. A full view of positions enables firms to accurately assess the impact of investment decisions based on the overall portfolio.

thinkFolio is a cross-asset-class investment management platform with multi-currency cash and FX management as a core strength.

Detailed insight and analytics

Extensive cash and currency management capabilities combined with a sophisticated set of analytics enable customers to make better-informed decisions and mitigate reinvestment risk.

A cash ladder enables managers to view future cash amounts across accounts while taking into consideration bond and loan projected cash flows, redemptions, unsettled trades and other cash flows. All instruments are decomposed to their constituent cash flows in order to produce accurate forecasts. Integration with S&P Global's Dividend Forecasting service also delivers insights into expected dividend payments. These capabilities are complemented by sweep, roll, hedging and overlay tools specifically designed for managing shortduration instruments and FX exposures and strategies.

Compliance

thinkFolio supports pre-, intra- and posttrade compliance with regulations, client guidelines, house limits and portfolio managers' preferences. It includes configurable nvestment compliance rules, user administration functionality, a detailed audit trail of all actions and four-eyes checks.

Sophisticated modelling tools

Sophisticated portfolio modelling capabilities ensure customers can model and plan for the impact of any scenario, from early bond repayments and changes in dividends, to fluctuations in exchange rates. Fund managers also have the ability to slice and dice portfolios according to any criteria and to perform what-if scenarios and rate shocking analysis. Flexible modelling tools can be used to rebalance the FX exposure of portfolios using morecomplex FX hedging ratios.

Key Stats

$4 trillion+
Combined AUM of clients

Native
Real-time analytics

Cross
Asset class

Customers

Asset managers

Family offices

Funds of funds

Hedge funds

Insurance companies

Investment management groups

Pension funds

Private banks

Sovereign wealth funds

Ease of integration

A flexible and extensible architecture makes it is easy to integrate into a firm's existing environment. Customers can deploy the solution as a complete crossasset- class investment management platform or implement it to address specific capability gaps in incumbent systems, such as cash and FX management. The platform also includes out-of-the-box connectivity to leading FX execution venues.

thinkFolio is integrated with a range of other S&P Global products including:

Bond Reference Data

Deep terms and conditions data and new issue information

CDS Curve Data

Live, snapped and end-of-day price updates for CDS entities and all the major credit indices, CDX and iTraxx

Dividend Forecasting

Forecasts for the next four years based on fundamental analysis, exchange rules, company guidance, historical patterns and more

EDM

A data management platform that pulls disparate data from multiple sources into a central hub

EDM Warehouse

Data warehouse that stores historical data and makes it readily available for client and regulatory reporting requirements

Investor Access

Platform that allows investors to be alerted to new-issue announcements, receive information on deal terms and conditions, submit and manage orders, and receive electronic notification of allocation and pricing details

Loan Pricing and Reference Data

Pricing, terms and conditions, and corporate actions data for public and private bank loans

MarkitSERV (interest rate swaps and CDS)

End-to-end trade processing and workflow solutions that support participants in cleared

OTC trading

OTC Derivatives Data An independent, flexible service providing access to multi-sourced curve and volatility data for OTC interest rates

Portfolio Valuations (vanilla options)

An industry-validated, fully hosted service that provides independent valuations and risk measures

TCA and TCA Best Execution

A global analysis platform that combines execution, algorithmic, venue and smart order router evaluation analytics

WSO

An integrated set of loan portfolio software and services for tracking performance and managing portfolios

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