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Trade settlement outsourcing for leveraged loan trades

In-house loan settlement remains a largely manual, paper driven process for many loan managers, requiring constant attention and interaction with multiple counterparties. In addition to being complex to manage, this costly and time-consuming process may lead to liquidity drags and increased counterparty risk. For many firms, the average par trade settlement time remains upwards of 20 days.

We provide firms a viable, cost and time efficient alternative to in-house loan settlement. The service leverages our suite of loan solutions, including reference data, portfolio management, and loan settlement platforms, to efficiently manage loan transactions, from trades to transfers of ownership. We enable your loan business to scale without increasing the complexity of middle office functions. Our solution is backed by a dedicated team of industry professionals, providing resource optimization and transparency through the entire process.

Full trade management

Experienced industry practitioners managing trade settlement using our loan solutions, including our loan data and loan settlement and portfolio management platforms.

Flexible

Includes support for paper based, manual trades as well as electronic trade settlement (LSTA and LMA).

Scalable

Lower operating costs and more efficient middle office production compared with in-house approaches, providing the ability to scale services in line with the growth of your loans business.

Timely

Delivers fully executed trade packets to trustee or custodian for timely funding.

Coordinate communication

IHS Markit serves as main point of contact to coordinate between counterparties, brokers, agents and outside counsel.

Reliability

Verification of trade details to help ensure trade documentation is complete and accurate.

Efficient

Reduces settlement times for loan trades and helps lower counterparty risks.

Key stats

Buyside

T+16

Average settlement time (par LSTA)

23,000+ Allocations settled per month

Sellside

T+23

Average settlement time (par LSTA)

22,000+ Allocations settled per month

Clients

Asset managers

Hedge funds

Insurance companies

Banks

Private equity firms

Fund administrators

Agents

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