

Press Release

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Taiwan Futures Exchange wins Financial Derivative Exchange of the Year in 2015

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- **Launch of Eurex/TAIFEX Link**
- **Successful launch of ETF Futures**

Hong Kong, April 15th 2015 - Taiwan Futures Exchange (TAIFEX) has been named as winner for the **Financial Derivative Exchange of the Year** award 2015 during The Asian Banker Financial Markets Awards Programme. The programme has been administered by The Asian Banker since 2001 initially as part of their prestigious annual Business Achievement Awards programme. The awards ceremony was held in conjunction with The Asian Banker Summit 2015, the foremost annual meeting for decision makers in the financial services industry in the Asia Pacific region, held at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Hong Kong on April 15th 2015.

Achieved historical high trading record in 2014

In 2014, despite volatile market conditions, TAIFEX traded a total of over 202 million contracts and an average daily trading volume of 816 thousand contracts, hitting an all-time high since inception.

Launch of Eurex/TAIFEX Link

TAIFEX licensed Eurex to launch daily futures on TAIEX Futures (TX) and TAIEX Options (TXO), the two flagship products at TAIFEX. The Eurex/TAIFEX Link traded in Taiwanese after-hours, covering the core trading sessions in US and European markets has extended the TAIFEX trading hours from 5 hours to 18 hours. As an after-hour facility, the Link creates a great channel for investors to manage their after-hour risks when the regular market is closed in Taiwan.

Successful launch of ETF Futures

TAIFEX is the second exchange in Asia to launch ETF futures. The successful performance of the two China stocks-linked ETF Futures (W.I.S.E. Yuanta/P-shares CSI300 ETF Futures and Fubon SSE180 ETF Futures) has greatly served participants' risk management needs and increased TAIFEX's international exposure. The trading volume has surpassed Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing (HKEx) which was the first to launch ETF futures in the region.

The awards programme, administered by The Asian Banker and refereed by prominent global bankers, IT consultants and academics, is the most prestigious of its kind. A stringent three month long evaluation process determined the winners from across Asia Pacific, Middle East and Africa. The winners were honoured at a gala event that recognized their efforts in using the best technology to run their institutions and bring superior products and services to their customers

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