



UBS JOINS MULTI-DEALER PLATFORM, SPIRE

17 December 2021 – London, UK – Single Platform Investment Repackaging Entity SA (“**SPIRE**”) is pleased to announce the admission of UBS AG (“**UBS**”) to its multi-dealer programme, bringing the number of dealers on the platform to seventeen and further increasing choice for investors in the repackaging market.

The SPIRE programme allows for repackaged notes arranged by the platform’s dealer-members to be issued in standardised formats. Investors can gain exposure to the returns of a variety of underlying collateral assets and customisable payoffs. The platform aims to bring transparency, liquidity and simplicity to the market for repackaged securities. To date, in excess of **EUR40.9bn**-equivalent has been issued to major UK, European and Asian institutional investors since the programme was launched in May 2017.

Commenting on the announcement, **Tom Payne, Head of Global Markets Structuring in EMEA at UBS**, said: “UBS sees membership of the SPIRE platform as an excellent complement to our existing capabilities in cross-asset repackaging and investment solutions. Increasingly, SPIRE has become a mechanism of choice for institutional investors seeking efficient yield enhancement due to the advantages it offers in terms of liquidity and transparency.”

Andres Schmitz, Co-head of Global Markets Distribution in EMEA at UBS, said: “UBS puts its clients at the centre of its business strategy and as we continue to expand the breadth and depth of our relationship with major institutional investors in Europe and Asia we expect SPIRE to be a valuable new component of our product offering.”

The SPIRE platform was established by BNP Paribas, Citi, Credit Suisse and J.P. Morgan in May 2017. Barclays, Goldman Sachs, Crédit Agricole CIB and Morgan Stanley joined in 2018. Natixis, BofA Securities Europe SA, Deutsche Bank, HSBC, Societe Generale SA and NatWest Markets joined in 2019. Nomura joined in 2020 and UniCredit Bank AG joined in 2021.

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About SPIRE

SPIRE is a special purpose vehicle established for the purpose of issuing asset backed securities. SPIRE has established a programme for the issuance of secured notes. The liability of SPIRE under the Notes and the Programme is separate in respect of each Series. Under the programme, SPIRE, subject to compliance with all relevant laws, regulations and directives, may, from time to time, issue series (each, a “**series**”) of notes, in one or more tranches (each, a “**tranche**”), on the terms set out in its Base Prospectus as completed by the final terms prepared in connection with such tranche or the pricing terms prepared in connection with such tranche.



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