

ACIER FX previously ARGUSFX

KEY INFORMATION DOCUMENT-CFDs ON FOREX

Purpose

This document provides you with key information about this investment product. It is not marketing material. The information is required by the Law to help you understand the nature, risks, costs, potential gains and losses of this product and to help you compare it with other products.

Risk Warning

CFDs are leveraged products and involve a high level of risk. It is possible to lose all your capital. These products may not be suitable for everyone and you should ensure that you understand the risks involved. Seek independent advice if necessary.

Product Information

Acier FX Ltd previously ArgusFX Ltd (“AcierFX”) is authorised and regulated by the Cyprus Securities and Exchange Commission (hereinafter the “CySEC”) under the license number 334/17. You can contact us at support@argusfx.com or by calling at +357 22 059059.

A contract for difference (CFD) is a popular form of derivative trading. A CFD allows you to obtain an indirect exposure to an underlying asset, for example a Security, Commodity or Index. This means that you will never own the underlying asset, but you will make gains or suffer losses as a result of price movement in the underlying asset to which you have an indirect exposure.

This document contains information where the underlying instrument is Forex, FX (currency pairs), such as EUR/USD.

The FX (currency pairs) being offered are sub-categorized as follows:

- Major
- Minor
- Exotic

For all the underlying assets of the Acier FX , please visit Acier FX 's main website.

YOU ARE ABOUT TO PURCHASE A COMPLEX PRODUCT WHICH MAY BE DIFFICULT TO UNDERSTAND.

Objective

Trading CFDs indicates the speculation of a client on price movements between two currencies. The return of the investment is calculated based on the price movement of the currency pair and the contract size opened.

Trading forex always involve two currencies. Each currency in a Forex Pair is listed with three letters. The first currency is known as the base currency, while the second one is known as quote or counter currency. A currency pair shows how much one unit of the base currency is worth in the quote currency. This means that if the value of base currency increases against the quote currency, one unit of the base currency will worth more units of the quote currency. For instance, the EUR/USD currency pair, EUR is the base currency and USD is the quote. By looking on the trading platform, the quoted price of EUR/USD indicates how much US dollars are equal to one Euro. In addition, you can notice that on client's terminal there are two prices, the ask (long or buy) price and the bid (short or sell) one, which have a slight difference between them. This difference is known as the spread. When the client is trading, and decides to buy or sell a Forex Pair, he buys or sells taking into account the base currency of the pair.

A client has two options, either to Buy (going “Long”) or Sell (going “Short”) a Forex pair. If the client, after his/her research, believes that the value of the base currency is going to increase against the quote currency, he/she can Buy 1000 or more units of that base currency, and after a short or long period of time, depending on his/her choice, sell these contracts (close the trade) when the value of the base currency is higher than the one bought. This price change between the buy price and the sell price is equal to the profit of the client plus any relevant cost.

If the client believes the value of the base currency will decrease against the quote currency, he/she can sell, with the intention to buy them back, when the value of the base currency decreases. The client's profit or loss will be the difference in price between the selling price at the beginning and the bought price after the decrease in value.

However, in the case that the value of the base currency moves against the position placed by client and the position closes, either by the client's choice or because of the margin call, the client's account will be suffering the loss of the trade plus any relevant costs. (i.e swaps, commissions etc) .

Before the client opens a trade on Financial Instruments, is required to maintain a margin. Margin is usually a relatively modest proportion of the overall contract value. This means that the client will be trading using "leverage" or "gearing".

The "gearing" or "leverage" is often obtainable in trading Financial Instruments products. This means a relatively small market movement can lead to a proportionately much larger movement in the value of the client's position, and this can work either against the client or for benefit of the client.

STP (Straight Through Process)

Acier FX offers Forex to its clients via STP process. The trading platform of Acier FX offers to its clients the best possible available prices, received by Acier FX's Liquidity providers, which act as a counterparty to its clients' trades, according to Acier FX's Order Execution Policy. Acier FX does not have the dealing on own account license and it is compensated directly by the volume of clients' trades. This depends on the account type of the client, where commissions are charged, either when a position is open or closed, or added as mark-up to the spread (Spread is the price difference between the ASK price, Buy or Long price, and the BID price, short or long price, of an underlying asset).

Intended Retail Client

Reading in this product will not be appropriate for all investor and would most commonly be utilized by persons who meet one or more of the following criteria:

- i. have experience with financial markets;
- ii. understand the impact and risk associated with margin trading and how the prices of CFDs are derived;
- iii. are trading with money which they can afford to lose;
- iv. have a high-risk tolerance;
- v. intend to use the product for short-term investment, speculative trading, portfolio diversification and/or hedging of exposure of an underlying asset.

Forex are leveraged products and involve a high level of risk. It is possible for the Client to lose all his capital invested. Therefore, these products may not be suitable for everyone and the Client should ensure that he understands the risks involved. The Client should seek independent advice if necessary.

CFDs in general are execution-only products and therefore in general have no fixed or suggested maturity date. It is up to you when to open and close a position, however your position will only be kept open subject to availability of sufficient funds to cover the margin requirements. Specific information on each underlying investment option may be found at [main website](#).

Risk Involved

Risk Rating

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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Lower Risk Higher Risk

For a client to keep a position open, he/she must have sufficient margin in his/her account. Trading Forex has no recommended holding period.

The Risk indicator guides the client to the risk level of this product compared to others. It is an indication to the client of the possibility to lose money because of changes in price due to market movements.

Acier FX has classified Forex Trading with 7 out of 7 risk rating, which is the highest risk rate. This means that the potential losses from future performance of Currency Pairs is high.

For a client to trade Forex and keep the position open, there is a requirement of certain amount of funds, known as margin requirement. The client must deposit a small percentage of the notional value of the index in order to be able to open a position, resulting to a leveraged position. The word leverage indicates that gains or losses can be magnified.

Margin Requirement can be expressed as a percentage of the full amount of the notional trade size (per 1K trade size for Forex instruments).

Acier FX updates its margin requirements regularly and where is needed can increase them to mitigate risks during high volatile markets and before major market news. All the margin requirements can be found on the Acier FX 's main website.

During an open position the client, has to maintain enough equity, considering all running profits and losses, in order to meet the margin requirements. If the open position is in loosing track, then the client should deposit additional funds in order to avoid the margin call that is automatically set by Acier FX.

Due to different levels of volatility that affect price and volume, Acier FX ensures that clients' orders are executed at current market prices, besides the Pending Orders. Clients' Pending Orders that are executed by Acier FX at the requested price. However, under certain market conditions (i.e. due to limited volume in the market) orders may not be filled at the exact price requested but at the best available market price offered by the Acier FX derived from its liquidity providers. This may occur during news announcements, during periods of volatile market conditions, on opening gaps or on possible gaps where the underline instrument has been suspended or restricted on a particular market.

Performance Scenarios

There are a number of factors that may affect the performance of an instrument. Which you should be aware of before you begin to trade such as:

- Leverage risk/Margin risk
- Risk of loss of entire capital invested
- Credit risk
- Political/country risk
- Foreign exchange risk
- Market risk/ Market disruption risk
- Counterparty risk
- Online trading platform and IT risk
- Conflicts of interests

This Section does not apply for any particular instrument, but only for any Forex Currency Pair. For each trade you place, you are the one responsible for choosing the Forex Currency pair you want, the time at which you will open the trade and close it, as well as any actions you will take to mitigate your risks (e.g. Take Profit and/or Stop Loss).

It is important to mention that each currency pair has a different pip value (for more information please visit our main website [here](#)).

The following table displays different scenarios showing potential profits and losses under each scenario:

Scenarios:

Deposit: 20000 USD

Forex Pair: EUR/USD

Trade size: 100,000 (standard lot)

Take into consideration that pip value for EUR/USD is 10USD

Scenario – Buy Position	Price at Opening Position	Price at Closing Position	Closed Profit/Loss	Starting Balance	Final Balance
Stress Scenario	1.11074	1.10874	20 pips * 10USD (pip value of EURUSD) * 1 lot size = 200USD	20,000USD	19,800USD
Unfavourable scenario	1.11074	1.10974	10 pips * 10USD (pip value of EURUSD) * 1 lot size = 100USD	20,000USD	19,900USD

Moderate scenario	1.11074	1.11174	10 pips * 10USD (pip value of EURUSD) * 1 lot size = 100USD	20,000USD	20,100USD
Favourable scenario	1.11074	1.11274	20 pips * 10USD (pip value of EURUSD) * 1 lot size = 200USD	20,000USD	20,200USD

Scenario – Sell Position	Price at Opening Position	Price at Closing Position	Closed Profit/Loss	Starting Balance	Final Balance
Stress Scenario	1.11057	1.11257	20 pips * 10USD (pip value of EURUSD) * 1 lot size = 200USD	20,000USD	19,800USD
Unfavourable scenario	1.11057	1.11157	10 pips * 10USD (pip value of EURUSD) * 1 lot size = 100USD	20,000USD	19,900USD
Moderate scenario	1.11057	1.10857	10 pips * 10USD (pip value of EURUSD) * 1 lot size = 100USD	20,000USD	20,100USD
Favourable scenario	1.11057	1.10957	20 pips * 10USD (pip value of EURUSD) * 1 lot size = 200USD	20,000USD	20,200USD

Inability of Acier FX to Pay Out

According to section 15 (1) of the Investment Services and Activities and Regulated Markets Law 87 (I)/2017, a Cypriot Investment Firm ('CIF') must be in compliance with its obligation under Directive 97/9/EC. Based on which each Member State should have an investor compensation scheme that guarantees a harmonized minimum level of protection at least for the small investor in the event of an investment firm being unable to meet its obligation to its investor clients.

In this respect Acier FX is member of the Investor Compensation Fund ('ICF') for clients of CIFs and other Investment Firms ('IFs') which are not credit institutions. Acier FX is in compliance with the Directive DI144-2007-15 and New ICF Directive.

If, Acier FX cannot meet its obligations, depending on the type of business and the circumstances of the claim, the Fund covers at least 90% of any loss as long as the compensation paid is less than the Community minimum. Therefore, the coverage = Min (90% x claimed amount, €20,000).

The payment of any compensation by the Fund entails ipso jure subrogation of the Fund to the rights of the compensated covered client-claimant against the member of the Fund for an amount equal to the compensation payable to it.

More information in regard to the Investors Compensation Fund can be found: [Investor Compensation Fund](#)

Costs

Please ensure that you are familiar with all the costs for which you may be liable, by trading CFDs on Forex. These charges will reduce any net profit or increase your potential losses. The impact of the different types of cost on the return you might have from your investment is outlined below and you can visit the Acier FX's main website for more information in relation to the costs for trading index CFDs: [CFDs Costs](#)

Spread: When trading CFDs you must pay the spread, which is the difference between the bid (sell) and the ask (buy) price. You enter a buy trade using the buying price quoted and exit using the selling price. The narrower the spread, the less the price needs to move in your favour before you start to make a profit, or if the price moves against you, a loss. The spread charge is calculated as follows:

- a) On the WebTrader platform: Volume * Instrument's Spread
- b) On the MT4 platform: Volume * Contract Size * Instrument's Spread

Swaps: A Swap is an overnight interest that a client is charged, for holding a position overnight. If the swap amount is negative, then the client is charged and if the swap amount is positive, then the client is credited.

The swap charge is calculated as follows:

a) On the WebTrader platform: Volume * Instrument's Closing Price * Instrument's Overnight Swap Charge * Days Held

b) On the MT4 platform: Volume * Contract Size * Instrument's Overnight Swap Charge * Tick Size * Days Held

Exchange Rate: In the case where a client has an account that is denominated in a currency that is not of the same currency as the instrument where a position has been opened, any profits or losses will be credited or charged to the client's account, at the currency at which the client's account is denominated, after a conversion has occurred from the asset's denominated currency, at the current exchange rate at the time of the transaction.

Conversion Fees: A conversion fee is applied when a client has an account that is denominated in a currency that is not of the same currency as the instrument being traded. The fee is reflected as a percentage of the conversion rate used, for the used margin, profit and loss, swaps, rollovers and adjustments for corporate actions.

Tax: The tax legislation in your country of residence may have an impact on the actual payout of your investment.

Holding period of position

The Company does not prescribe a holding period for any position whether this is a buy or sell position. There is no recommended holding period and no cancellation period for CFDs on Forex. You can open and close a CFD on Forex at any time during the market trading hours of each CFD. It is essential to be aware of the implications of trading with margin and the associated costs, if you intend to use a buy and hold strategy when trading in CFDs.

Complaints

You may file a complaint by submitting the Complaints Form via post or by hand at: Athalassas 62, Strovolos, 3rd Floor, Office 31, 2012, Nicosia, Cyprus, or via email at: support@argusfx.com. All complaints will be treated strictly confidential. You can refer your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman of the Republic of Cyprus at : complaints@financialombudsman.gov.cy if you are dissatisfied with your assessment and ruling.

For more information in regard to the Complaint Handling Procedure can be found: [Complaint Handling Procedure](#)

Other Relevant Information

You have a right to request a hard copy of the present document. Leveraged trading in foreign currency contracts, contracts for difference or other off-exchange products carries a high level of risk and may not be suitable for everyone. Before trading, you are strongly advised to read all [Legal Documentation](#) displayed in the legal section of our website. Such information is also available on request.

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