MAINTENANCE CHANGE REQUEST

Note: the purpose of this document is to give guidelines to submitting organisations that will develop a new version of existing ISO 20022 messages based on change requests screened by the Standards Evaluation Group(s). Such development is subject to the approval of a Maintenance Change Request which must include a detailed description of the impact of each change on the related messages. The Maintenance Change Request must start with a general chapter covering topics related to the whole maintenance effort and a specific chapter for each change request, as described below. Please consult the iso20022.org website for additional details on the maintenance process.

A. Name of the request:

General Meeting Messages Maintenance for year 2025/2026

B. Submitting organization(s):

Swift

C. Related messages:

Under this project, the following ISO 20022 General Meeting messages highlighted in blue below would be maintained in the context of the General Meeting messages maintenance for year 2025/2026 – pending approval of the proposed implementation solutions (which will be reviewed on the $20^{\text{th of}}$ August 2025):

	Message Name	Abbreviated	Identifier
		Name	
1	MeetingNotificationV12	MENO	seev.001.001.12
2	MeetingCancellationV10	MECN	seev.002.001.10
3	MeetingEntitlementNotificationV10	MENT	seev.003.001.10
4	MeetingInstructionV10	MEIN	seev.004.001.10
5	MeetingInstructionCancellationRequestV10	MEIC	seev.005.001.10
6	MeetingInstructionStatusV11	MEIS	seev.006.001.11
7	MeetingVoteExecutionConfirmationV11	MECO	seev.007.001.11
8	MeetingResultDisseminationV10	MERD	seev.008.001.10
9	Securities Message Rejection		semt.001.001.04

D. Commitments of the submitting organization:

Swift confirms that it can and will:

undertake the development of the new version of the candidate ISO 20022 message models that it will submit to the RA for compliance review and evaluation by **December 1**st, 2025.

- provide a new version of part 1 of the Message Definition Report (MDR) and new examples of valid message instances of each message by **May 1**st, **2025**, at the latest.
- address any queries related to the description of the new models and messages as published by the RA on the ISO 20022 website.

Swift confirms that it intends to organize the actual implementation of the new version of the messages on its SwiftNet network once the related documentation has been published by the RA.

Swift confirms their knowledge and acceptance of the ISO 20022 Intellectual Property Rights policy for contributing organisations, as follows.

"Organisations that contribute information to be incorporated into the ISO 20022 Repository shall keep any Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) they have on this information. A contributing organisation warrants that it has sufficient rights on the contributed information to have it published in the ISO 20022 Repository through the ISO 20022 Registration Authority in accordance with the rules set in ISO 20022. To ascertain a widespread, public and uniform use of the ISO 20022 Repository information, the contributing organisation grants third parties a non-exclusive, royalty-free license to use the published information".

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CR1479: Amend Definitions in General Meeting Voting Instructions

A. Origin of the request:

A.1 Submitter: SMPG CA-WG

A.2 Contact persons:

Christine Strandberg

Mariangela Fumagalli

Miriam Ortseifen

A.3 Sponsors:

SMPG CA WG members

B. Related messages:

seev.004.001.10

seev.007.001.11

C. Description of the change request:

In the seev.004, in accordance with recently updated global market practice, amend the definition of Instruction / VoteDetails / VoteInstructionForAgendaResolution / VotePerAgendaResolution / VoteInstruction as follows:

Instruction specifying the instructed quantity of voting rights per resolution. Split votes can be indicated. If only one type of decision is indicated, the number of votes cast must not be adjusted if the position of the voting party increases.

Also **amend the definition of the below elements in the seev.004**, in sequence Instruction / VoteDetails / VoteInstructionForAgendaResolution / VotePerAgendaResolution / VoteInstruction

And in the seev.007, in sequence VoteInstructions / VotePerResolution as follows:

VotePerAgendaResolution - VoteInstruction - For <For>

Current definition: Number of votes in favour of one resolution.

Amended definition: Number of securities for which vote in favour is instructed.

VotePerAgendaResolution - VoteInstruction - Against < Agnst>

Current definition: Number of votes against one resolution.

Amended definition: Number of securities for which vote against is instructed.

VotePerAgendaResolution - VoteInstruction - Abstain < Abstn>

Current definition: Number of abstention votes for one resolution.

Amended definition: Number of securities for which vote to abstain is instructed

VotePerAgendaResolution - VoteInstruction - Withhold < Wthhld>

Current definition: Number of votes withheld for one resolution.

Amended definition: Number of securities for which vote to withhold is instructed.

VotePerAgendaResolution - VoteInstruction - WithManagement < WthMgmt>

Current definition: Number of votes in line with the votes of the management.

Amended definition: Number of securities for which vote in line with the votes of the management is instructed.

VotePerAgendaResolution - VoteInstruction - AgainstManagement < AgnstMgmt>

Current definition: Number of votes against the voting recommendation of the management.

Amended definition: Number of securities for which vote against the voting recommendation of the management is instructed.

VotePerAgendaResolution - VoteInstruction - Discretionary < Dscrtnry>

Current definition: Number of votes for which decision is left to the party that will exercise the voting right.

Amended definition: Number of securities for which decision is left to the party that will exercise the voting right.

VotePerAgendaResolution - VoteInstruction - OneYear <OneYr>

Current definition: Number of votes in favour for one year for "say on pay" type of resolution.

Amended definition: Number of securities for which vote in favour for one year for "say on pay" type of resolution is instructed.

VotePerAgendaResolution - VoteInstruction - TwoYears <TwoYrs>

Current definition: Number of votes in favour of two years for "say on pay" type of resolution.

Amended definition: Number of securities for which vote in favour of two years for "say on pay" type of resolution is instructed.

VotePerAgendaResolution - VoteInstruction - ThreeYears < ThreeYrs>

Current definition: Number of votes in favour of three years for "say on pay" type of resolution.

Amended definition: Number of securities for which vote in favour of three years for "say on pay" type of resolution is instructed.

D. Purpose of the change:

There are securities with voting rights not equal to one voting right per security. The number of voting rights can be more or less than one. The messages were originally created under the assumption that the instructing party, i.e. the party that is entitled to vote or its agent, would amend the Quantity in such cases to correctly reflect the number of voting rights resulting from the entitled quantity. This has not been the case. The SMPG has together with proxy providers amended global market practice to specify that it is the quantity of securities that are to be specified in all cases. This CR is to amend affected elements in the Meeting Instruction message and the Vote Execution Confirmation message to reflect global market practice and usage.

E. Urgency of the request:

For next release.

Note: the ISO 20022 maintenance results in the publication of a new version of an ISO 20022 message. The actual implementation of such new version on networks and in user installations is not within the purview of ISO.

F. Business examples:

N/A

G. SEG/TSG recommendation:

This section is not to be taken care of by the submitter of the change request. It will be completed in due time by the SEG(s) in charge of the related ISO 20022 messages or the TSG for changes related to the BAH.

Consider: X

Timing:

- Next yearly cycle: 2025/2026: X (the change will be considered for implementation in the yearly maintenance cycle which starts in 2025 and completes with the publication of new message versions in the spring of 2026)
- At the occasion of the next maintenance of the messages: (the change will be considered for implementation, but does not justify maintenance of the messages in its own right – will be pending until more critical change requests are received for the messages)
- Urgent unscheduled: (the change justifies an urgent implementation outside of the normal yearly cycle)
- Other timing:

Comments: N/A

H. Impact analysis:

This change request impacts the following General meeting messages: seev.004 and seev.007.

I.	Proposed	implementation	solution:
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see above under C.

J. Proposed timing:

The submitting organization confirms that it can implement the requested changes in the requested timing.

Timing	As requested	
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K. Final decision of the SEG(s):

This section is not to be taken care of by the submitting organization. It will be completed in due time by the SEG(s) in charge of the related ISO 20022 messages.

Approve	X

Comments: Approved as is.

Reject	

Reason for rejection:

CR1489: Add Beneficial Owner Email for Virtual Meeting Participation

A. Origin of the request:

A. Origin of the request:

A.1 Submitter:

SMPG CA-WG

A.2 Contact person:

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Mariangela Fumagalli

Miriam Ortseifen

A.3 Sponsors:

SMPG CA WG members

B. Related messages:

seev.001. Meeting Notification (MENO)

seev.006 Meeting Instruction Status (MEIS)

C. Description of the change request:

Add additional beneficial owner details for the general meeting processing to facilitate virtual attendance to a general meeting. Post covid a number of countries have changed national legislation and opened for general meetings to be conducted either only virtually or with the possibility to attend virtually. The General meeting messages has the possibility to inform of virtual attendance via the participation method VIRT. However, the messages do not support a communication form where the meeting operator/registrar can establish contact with the rightsholder (for log on and identification purpose).

To facilitate the contact between the operator of the meeting and the beneficial owner, there must be possibility to establish a connection via the general meeting message sent to the rightsholder via the intermediaries. By informing that the meeting opens for virtual participation, via the participation method code VIRT, intermediaries should understand that an e-mail address must be added in the vote instruction messages for the rightsholder choosing participation VIRT. This may not always be clear to rightsholders, and an element to state this may thus be useful.

When the meeting instruction includes the participation method VIRT, the rightsholder's email address must be included in the MEIN. The meeting operator can then establish contact with the rightsholder to provide the necessary logon/password to attend the meeting.

If the meeting instruction does not contain an email address (or includes an invalid e-mail address), the instruction will need to be rejected. Accordingly, there must be a specific rejection reason in the instruction status message, for the intermediary/ rightsholder to resend the instruction with a valid email address.

D. Purpose of the change:

To add new attributes to the message flow to facilitate virtual attendance via the ISO messages.

In the seev.001, addition of an element to state that email address must be included in an seev.004 for meeting participation method VIRT.

In the seev.006, there is a need for a new rejection code to be added: rejection code NACD "Not ACcepteD, E-mail address missing". Instruction to virtually attend meeting is rejected due to missing rightsholder email address. Not possible to create logon for rightsholder as contact cannot be established.

E. Urgency of the request:

For next release.

Note: the ISO 20022 maintenance results in the publication of a new version of an ISO 20022 message. The actual implementation of such new version on networks and in user installations is not within the purview of ISO.

F. Business examples:

Examples illustrating the change request.

N/A

G. SEG/TSG recommendation:

This section is not to be taken care of by the submitter of the change request. It will be completed in due time by the SEG(s) in charge of the related ISO 20022 messages or the TSG for changes related to the BAH.

Consider: X

Timing:

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- Urgent unscheduled:
 (the change justifies an urgent implementation outside of the normal yearly cycle)
- Other timing:

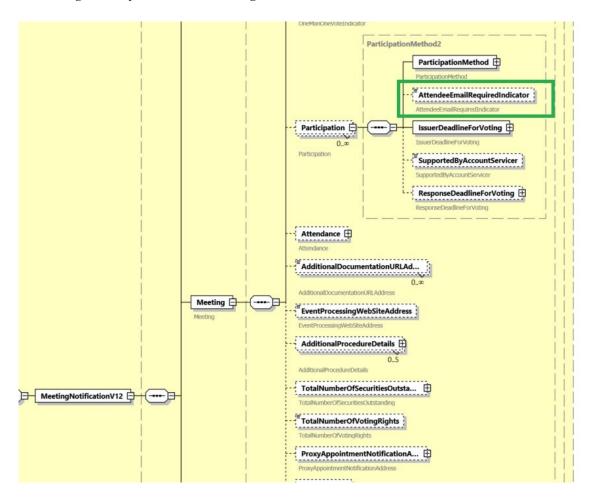
Comments:

H/I. Analysis/implementation solution proposal

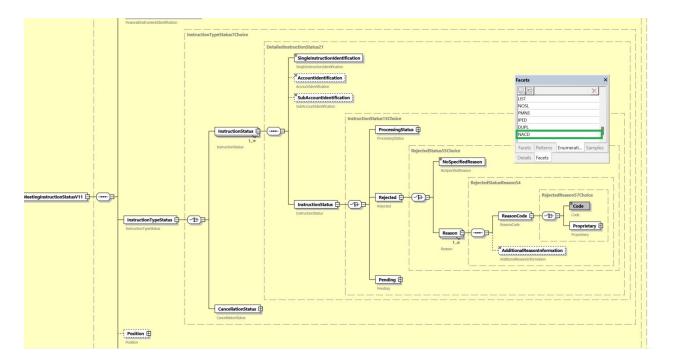
a. In the seev.001 (MeetingNotification), in message building block *Meeting*, in sequence *Participation*, add new optional and non-repeatable element "AttendeeEmailRequiredIndicator", typed as Yes/No Indicator, which is to be used in combination with participation method "VIRT".

Add textual rule "If participation method is VIRT, then AttendeeEmailRequiredIndicator must be set to Y."

Add textual rule: "If participation method is VIRT, then the email address of the party who will attend the virtual meeting must be provided in the Meeting Instruction."



b) in the seev.006 (MeetingInstructionStatus), in message building block "InstructionTypeStatus", add rejection reason code "NACD (Not ACcepteD, E-mail address missing)" in sequence Rejected/Reason/ReasonCode/Code, with the following definition "Instruction to virtually attend meeting is rejected due to missing attendee email address."



J. Proposed timing:

The submitting organization confirms that it can implement the requested changes in the requested timing.

Timing	As requested	

K. Final decision of the SEG(s):

This section is not to be taken care of by the submitting organization. It will be completed in due time by the SEG(s) in charge of the related ISO 20022 messages.



Comments: Approved with comments.



Reason for rejection:

CR1490: Add Rights Holder Account ID and Entitlement Fixing Date to Instructions

A. Origin of the request:

A.1 Submitter: DESSUG CA – PSG (Deutsche SWIFT Securities Market User Group - Corporate Actions - Proxy Subgroup Germany). This group represents more than 20 different institutions including domestic and global proxy providers and registrars with a key role in the German General Meeting process.

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A.3 Sponsors: German Market

B. Related messages:

seev.004

C. Description of the change request:

<u>Name</u>: **RightsHolderAccountIdentification** < RghtsHldrAcctId> (® SRDII IR; T4-B03 Number of the securities account)

Presence: [0..1]

Datatype: Max35Text

<u>Definition</u>: Account Identification of the Rights Holder where financial instruments are maintained. Account serviced by the last intermediary for an account holder.

Location: /Document/Instr/AcctDtls/RghtsHldr/RghtsHldrAcctId

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Name: EntitlementFixingDate <EntitlmntFxgDt> (® SRDII IR; T4-B01 Record Date)

Presence: [0..1]

Datatype: as in seev.001 or seev.003

Definition: as in seev.001 or seev.003

Location: /Document/MtgRef/EntitlmntFxgDt

D. Purpose of the change:

In some markets or for bonds and fund meeting events the account number of the rights holder is required as part of the meeting instructions.

It would be beneficial to report the Entitlement Fixing Date (when given in seev.001) in the meeting instruction. This could then also allow full compliance with Article 5 of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1212 references Table 4 "Confirmation of Entitlement" of the Implementing Regulation 2018-1212 as this is in some markets required as part of the meeting instruction.

E. Urgency of the request:

SR2026

Note: the ISO 20022 maintenance results in the publication of a new version of an ISO 20022 message. The actual implementation of such new version on networks and in user installations is not within the purview of ISO.

F. Business examples:

Examples illustrating the change request.

N/A

G. SEG/TSG recommendation:

This section is not to be taken care of by the submitter of the change request. It will be completed in due time by the SEG(s) in charge of the related ISO 20022 messages or the TSG for changes related to the BAH.

Consider: X

Timing:

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- Urgent unscheduled: (the change justifies an urgent implementation outside of the normal yearly cycle)
- Other timing:

Comments: N/A

H. Impact analysis:

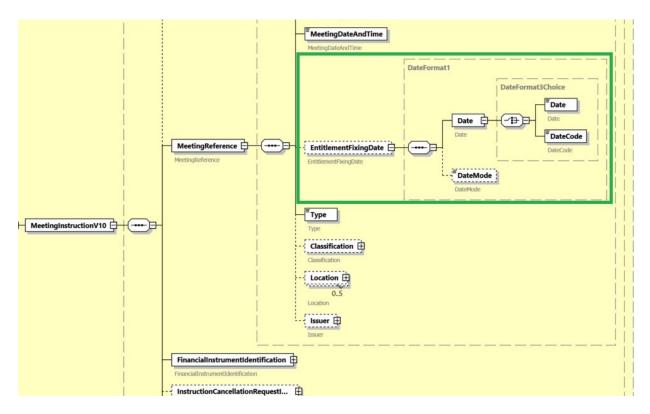
This change request impacts the following General meeting messages: seev.004.

I. Proposed implementation solution:

a. In the seev.004 (MeetingInstruction), in message building block *Instruction*, in sequence AccountDetails/RightsHolder, add optional and non-repetitive element "Account Identification" to both LegalPerson and NaturalPerson, typed by Max35Text and described as "Account Identification of the Rights Holder where securities are held. The account ID related to the account held by the rights holder with the last intermediary."

The proposed change and implementation solution described under section a) of this CR has been moved to CR1511

b. In the seev.004 (MeetingInstruction), in message building block *Meeting Reference*, add optional and non-repetitive message component "Entitlement Fixing Date", typed by DateFormat1, as illustrated below:



- b.1. Add textual rule, if Confirmation of Holding Required in seev.001 is set to Y, then Entitlement Fixing Date must be provided in seev.004.
- b.2. Add new rejection reason code in seev.006, "Entitlement Fixing Date missing or incorrect. (EFDM)"

J. Proposed timing:

The submitting organization confirms that it can implement the requested changes in the requested timing.

Timing As requested	Timing	As requested	
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K. Final decision of the SEG(s):

This section is not to be taken care of by the submitting organization. It will be completed in due time by the SEG(s) in charge of the related ISO 20022 messages.

Approve	X

Comments: Approved with comments for part b. of the proposed implementation solution described under section I. It was agreed by the ISO SEG GM ET to move part a., previously included under section I. of CR1490, to CR1511.

Reject	

Reason for rejection:

CR1491: Introduce Meeting Format Type in General Meeting Notification

A. Origin of the request:

A.1 Submitter: DESSUG CA – PSG (Deutsche SWIFT Securities Market User Group - Corporate Actions - Proxy Subgroup Germany). This group represents more than 20 different institutions including domestic and global proxy providers and registrars with a key role in the German General Meeting process.

A.2 Contact person: Hendrik Melchior, <u>Hendrik.Melchior@Clearstream.com</u>, Phone +49 69 211-13263 --- Daniel Schäfer, <u>Daniel.Schaefer@hsbc.de</u>, Phone +49 211 910-2362 --- Nils Stock, <u>Nils.Stock@db.com</u>, Phone +49 69 910-43199 --- Rainer Prior, Rainer.Prior@linkmarketservices.de, Phone +49 6196 8870 514

A.3 Sponsors: German Market

B. Related messages:

seev.004

C. Description of the change request:

Name: MeetingFormatType < MtgFmtTp>

Presence: [0..1]

<u>Definition</u>: Meeting format set by the issuer.

<u>Datatype</u>: CodeSet with multiple Codes

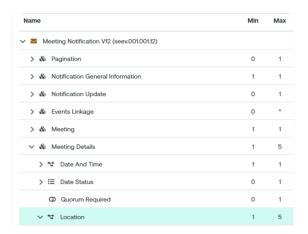
• PHYS: Physical meeting format

HYBR: Hybrid meeting format

• VIRT: Virtual meeting format

• OTHR: Other format

Location: New field in "Meeting Details" before "Location":



D. Purpose of the change:

General meetings can be held and conducted in several ways.

- **Physical** general meetings are held by physical presence of the stockholders and their authorised representatives at the place at which the general meeting is being held.
- **Virtual** general meetings are held without the stockholders or their authorised representatives being physically present at the place at which it is being held
- **Hybrid** general meetings combine both physical and virtual elements. It allows some attendees to physically attend the general meeting at the meeting location, while others can participate remotely through online platforms.

Adding the implementation type of the general meeting allows to depict the way the general meeting is conducted.

It is important to note that still the place of the general meeting at which it is being held needs to be announced in the meeting notification. This is where the members of the management or supervisory board are to attend. Therefore, the code of implementation shall not be merged into the existing location code or a participation code like VIRT is sufficient.

E. Urgency of the request:

SR2026

Note: the ISO 20022 maintenance results in the publication of a new version of an ISO 20022 message. The actual implementation of such new version on networks and in user installations is not within the purview of ISO.

F. Business examples:

Example like the following have been noticed in production, which shows that the participation method VIRT is not self-explanatory and issuer and market members want to better report the format of the meeting.

<mtgdtls></mtgdtls>
<lctn></lctn>
<adr></adr>
<adrtp>ADDR</adrtp>
<adrline>Street, zip code City, Country</adrline>
<ctry>FR</ctry>

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<Lctn>
<Adr>
<AdrTp>ADDR</AdrTp>
<AdrLine>The meeting is being held in a hybrid format.</AdrLine>
<Ctry>DE</Ctry>
</Adr>
</Lctn>
</MtgDtls>
With this CR the report would be as follows:
<MtgDtls>
<MtgFmtTp>HYBR</MtgFmtTp>
<Lctn>
<Adr>
<AdrTp>ADDR</AdrTp>
<AdrLine>Street, zip code City, Country</AdrLine>
<Ctry>FR</Ctry>
</Adr>
</Lctn>
<MtgDtls>
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G. SEG/TSG recommendation:

This section is not to be taken care of by the submitter of the change request. It will be completed in due time by the SEG(s) in charge of the related ISO 20022 messages or the TSG for changes related to the BAH.

Consider: X

Timing:

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- Other timing:

Comments: N/A

H. Impact analysis:

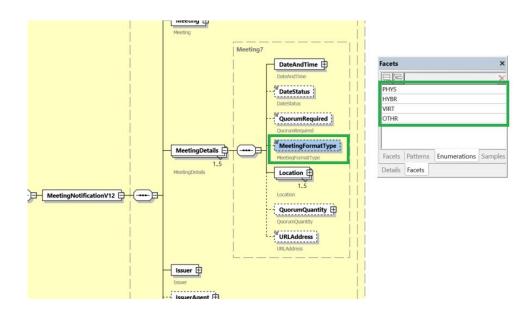
This change request impacts the following General meeting messages: seev.001.

I. Proposed implementation solution:

In the seev.001 (MeetingNotification), in message building block *MeetingDetails*, add new optional and non-repetitive element "Meeting Format Type", typed by datatype *MeetingFormatType1Code*, defined as "*Meeting format set by the issuer*", and including the following code values:

PHYS: Physical meeting formatHYBR: Hybrid meeting formatVIRT: Virtual meeting format

OTHR: Other format



J. Proposed timing:

The submitting organization confirms that it can implement the requested changes in the requested timing.

Timing As requested

K. Final decision of the SEG(s):

This section is not to be taken care of by the submitting organization. It will be completed in due time by the SEG(s) in charge of the related ISO 20022 messages.

Approve	
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Comments:

Reject	X

Reason for rejection: The proposed new element was not supported by most of the ISO SEG ET members (DE and LU supported the CR, SE, DE, CH and the UK voted against), as the implementation solution described under section I. was considered unclear, e.g. the term "Hybrid" was considered ambiguous, and might therefore lead to an incorrect usage of the new element proposed under this CR.

CR1506: Add Cumulative Voting Multiplier to Meeting Notification

A. Origin of the request:

A.1 Submitter: Eurobonds market / XS NMPG

A.2 Contact person: Jean-Paul Lambotte (jean-paul.lambotte@euroclear.com, +32 2 326 29 59) and Hatem Soliman (hatem.soliman@euroclear.com, +32 2 326 5107)

A.3 Sponsors: ICSDs

B. Related messages:

seev.001.001.12

C. Description of the change request:

In the seev.001 meeting notification message,

- Add an optional field at meting level (XML path <MtgNtfctn/Mtg>) to indicate the multiplier to be applied to the options eligible to cumulative voting. Label "Cumulative Voting Multiplier". Definition: "Multiplier to be applied on the eligible balance to determine the maximum number of votes accepted on options flagged for cumulative voting".
- add an optional yes/no flag at resolution level (XML path <MtgNtfctn/Rsltn>) to indicate the cumulative voting multiplier when cumulative voting is applicable to specific resolution(s). Label: "Cumulative voting flag", definition: "Indicates if an cumulative voting applies to the option."

D. Purpose of the change:

There are meeting events for which cumulative voting applies for specific resolution(s).

It means that for a number of resolutions for a meeting event, clients can vote for an amount of the eligible balance multiplied by the number of resolutions for which cumulative voting applies.

The sum of the votes by the client for the applicable resolutions should not exceed the eligible balance multiplied by the number of resolutions with cumulative voting.

It must be possible to announce the multiplier when cumulative voting applies to specific resolution(s) as decided by the issuer.

The account servicer receiving a meeting instruction will compare the instruction quantity with the position multiplied by the "cumulative voting multiplier" to either accept ("PACK"), reject ("rejected/LACK") or keep instruction recycling ("pending/LACK"). (Rejecting or keeping instruction pending to be decided based on account servicer SLA, as for other meeting instructions.). There is no need to define a new reason for this specific case.

E. Urgency of the request:

SR2026

Note: the ISO 20022 maintenance results in the publication of a new version of an ISO 20022 message. The actual implementation of such new version on networks and in user installations is not within the purview of ISO.

F. Business examples:

Around 40 meeting events with cumulative voting announced over the last 6 months, mainly on EURO instruments, Finnish, HK and US markets (mainly for depository receipts).

Example 1:

CUMULATIVE VOTING APPLIES TO RESOLUTION 4

2 DIRECTORS ARE TO BE ELECTED TO THE BOARD.

TO INSTRUCT, MULTIPLY YOUR ELIGIBLE POSITION BY THE NUMBER OF

DIRECTORS TO BE ELECTED. IF YOU WANT TO SPLIT YOUR VOTE, ASSIGN

AN AMOUNT TO EACH DIRECTOR UNTIL YOUR TOTAL CUMULATED POSITION IS ACCOUNTED FOR.

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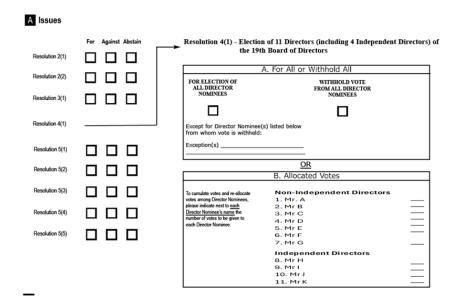
FOR EXAMPLE, IF YOU HAVE 10 ADRS ON RECORD DATE, YOU ARE ENTITLED

TO VOTE ON 2 (NUMBER OF NOMINATED DIRECTORS) X 10, EQUALLING 20

VOTES TO DISTRIBUTE AMONG THE NUMBER OF PROPOSED DIRECTORS.

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Example 2:



G. SEG/TSG recommendation:

This section is not to be taken care of by the submitter of the change request. It will be completed in due time by the SEG(s) in charge of the related ISO 20022 messages or the TSG for changes related to the BAH.

Consider: X

Timing:

- Next yearly cycle: 2025/2026: X (the change will be considered for implementation in the yearly maintenance cycle which starts in 2025 and completes with the publication of new message versions in the spring of 2026)
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- Urgent unscheduled: (the change justifies an urgent implementation outside of the normal yearly cycle)
- Other timing:

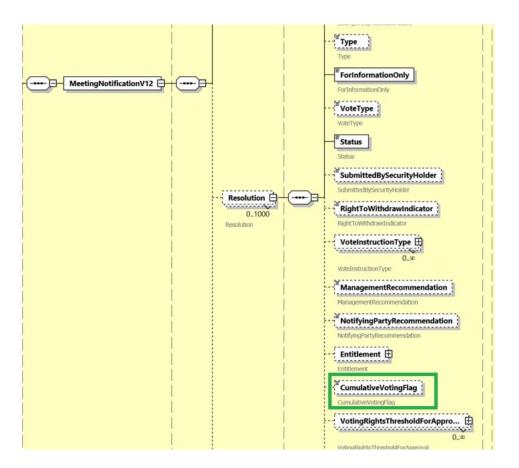
Comments: N/A

H. Impact analysis:

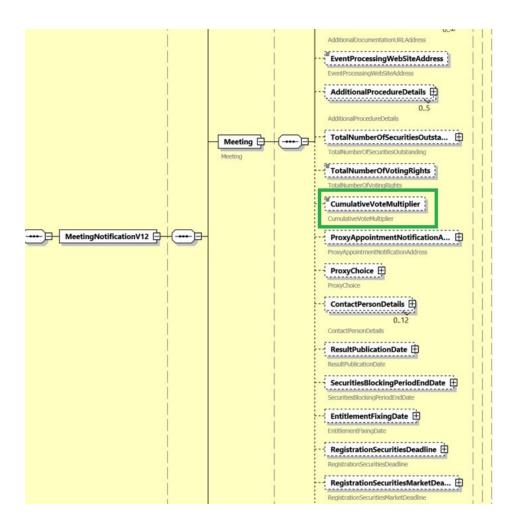
This change request impacts the following General meeting message: seev.001.

I. Proposed implementation solution:

a. In the seev.001 (MeetingNotification), in message building block *Resolution*, add new optional and non-repetitive element "Cumulative Voting Flag", defined as "*Indicates if a cumulative voting applies to the option*." and typed by a *YesNoIndicator*, as illustrated below:



b. In the seev.001 (Meeting Notification), in message building block *Meeting*, add new optional and non-repetitive element "Cumulative Vote Multiplier" (after element Total Number of Voting Rights – tbc), defined as "Multiplier to be applied on the eligible balance to determine the maximum number of votes accepted on options flagged for cumulative voting" and typed as Number (xs:decimal), as illustrated below:



J. Proposed timing:

The submitting organization confirms that it can implement the requested changes in the requested timing.

Timing As requested	
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K. Final decision of the SEG(s):

This section is not to be taken care of by the submitting organization. It will be completed in due time by the SEG(s) in charge of the related ISO 20022 messages.

Approve	

Comments: Withdrawn by submitter. It was agreed that the solution proposal would benefit from further analysis and refinement and therefore it was decided to withdraw the change request for potential resubmission in SR2027.

Reject	

Reason for rejection:

CR1511: Provision of disclosure data in meeting instructions (previously: Add participant disclosure data in meeting instructions)

A. Origin of the request:

A.1 Submitter: Eurobonds market / XS NMPG

A.2 Contact person: Jean-Paul Lambotte (jean-paul.lambotte@euroclear.com, +32 2 326 29 59) and Hatem Soliman (hatem.soliman@euroclear.com, +32 2 326 5107)

A.3 Sponsors: ICSDs

B. Related messages:

seev.001 Meeting Notification

seev.004 Meeting Instruction

seev.006 Meeting Instruction Status

C. Description of the change request:

Disclosure Information Request and Provision of Disclosure Information

Where applicable and required by the issuer, additional information is required to be disclosed on underlying levels, detailing disclosure of information such as account number/name and instruction reference of the underlying of the instructing party, that may be different from the instruction party.

Disclosure details may be required in addition to beneficial holders', are not mutually exclusive, and can be any layer after the ICSD, or their underlying.

The ICSDs are required to provide this information to the issuer/issuer agent, and/or a blocking ID or an instruction reference that may also be required in supporting documentation handled in parallel outside the custody chain.

• Additional Information Disclosure Request Indicator (seev.001)

A flag Y/N (similar to existing "beneficial owner disclosure" feature) must be present in the notification that is actioned if the disclosure details are required by the issuer. If **not applicable**, the flag should **not be used.**

"Additional Information Disclosure Request" – information required by the issuer to be disclosed as part of a submitted instruction, that is neither the information related to the beneficiary holder, or the voting participant, or the proxy appointed by the issuer, or the attendee(s) participating to the meeting (without voting).

• Additional Disclosure Information (seev.004)

The issuer may request via the intermediary chain, the provision of additional information.

As instructed by issuer, the ICSDs will report the information received via the optional repeatable section in seev.004 that may be one/more of the following elements, with the blocking reference "blocking reference" BlocRef, being a unique reference attributed by the ICSDs to the received instruction, which may be required and submitted to the issuer:

/Document/MtgInstr/Instr/AddDiscInfo - information required by the issuer to be disclosed as part of a submitted instruction, that is neither the information related to the beneficiary holder, or the voting participant, or the proxy appointed by the issuer, or the attendee(s) participating to the meeting (without voting)

/Document/MtgInstr/Instr/AddDiscInfo/LgIPrsn - description existent; Repetitive - At most 250 allowed

/Document/MtgInstr/Instr/AddDiscInfo/LglPrsn/AddDiscAccId - Additional Disclosure Account Identification (typed by Max35text) (choice)

/Document/MtgInstr/Instr/AddDiscInfo/LglPrsn/**AddDiscAccNm** - Additional Disclosure Account Name (typed by Max70text) (choice)

/Document/MtgInstr/Instr/AddDiscInfo/LglPrsn/AnyBIC (choice)

/Document/MtgInstr/Instr/AddDiscInfo/LglPrsn/LEI (choice)

Field Usage and Descriptions for BIC/LEI as existent

/Document/MtgInstr/Instr/**AddDiscInfo/BlocRef** - *instruction blocking reference allocated by the ICSD to be transmitted to the issuer* (typed by Max35text) *(choice)*

3. Instruction rejection advice - seev.006

If the ICSDs failed to receive (from underlying) or provide (to the issuer agent) the disclosure information, albeit being a requirement expressly indicated in the seev.001, the issuer agent should indicate that in the rejection advice as "Additional Disclosure Information Missing" (ADIM).

D. Purpose of the change:

Improve automation.

E. Urgency of the request:

SR2026

Note: the ISO 20022 maintenance results in the publication of a new version of an ISO 20022 message. The actual implementation of such new version on networks and in user installations is not within the purview of ISO.

F. Business examples:

Participant Instruction Details

Participant-level disclosure allows the agent to handle queries from holders and custodians more efficiently, reducing the need to contact the ICSD.

Also, participant disclosure details are crucial for the issuer and working group to understand where instructions and holdings are coming from. If not addressed, this could lead to more corporate actions requiring beneficial-level disclosure or allocation codes, increasing the operational burden on custodians and forcing holders to face

shorter instruction windows due to larger buffers set by custodians. The reference could be the ICSD blocking confirmation as part of the instruction to the agent.

G. SEG/TSG recommendation:

This section is not to be taken care of by the submitter of the change request. It will be completed in due time by the SEG(s) in charge of the related ISO 20022 messages or the TSG for changes related to the BAH.

Consider: X

Timing:

- Next yearly cycle: 2025/2026: X (the change will be considered for implementation in the yearly maintenance cycle which starts in 2025 and completes with the publication of new message versions in the spring of 2026)
- At the occasion of the next maintenance of the messages:
 (the change will be considered for implementation, but does not justify maintenance of the messages in its own right will be pending until more critical change requests are received for the messages)
- Urgent unscheduled: (the change justifies an urgent implementation outside of the normal yearly cycle)
- Other timing:

Comments: N/A

H. Impact analysis:

This change request impacts the following General meeting messages: seev.001, seev.004, seev.006.

I. Proposed implementation solution:

- **a.** In the seev.001 (MeetingNotification), in message building block *Vote*, add new optional and non-repetitive "Additional Disclosure Requirement", typed by Max350Text and defined as: "Information required by the issuer to be disclosed as part of a submitted instruction, that is neither the information related to the beneficiary holder, or the voting participant, or the proxy appointed by the issuer, or the attendee(s) participating to the meeting (without voting)."
- b. In the seev.004 (MeetingInstruction), in message building block *Instruction*, add new optional and repeatable (up to 250 times) sequence "Additional Disclosure Information", typed by datatype PartyIdentificationXXX (as in Legal Person) and including the following new optional and non-repeatable elements: Additional Disclosure Account Name (typed by Max70text) and Additional Disclosure Account Identification (typed by Max35text) defined as choice; and Blocking Reference (typed by Max35text).

/Document/MtgInstr/Instr/AddDiscInfo/LglPrsn - description existent; repetitive up to 250 times

/Document/MtgInstr/Instr/AddDiscInfo/LglPrsn/AccId - Account Identification (typed by Max35text) (choice)

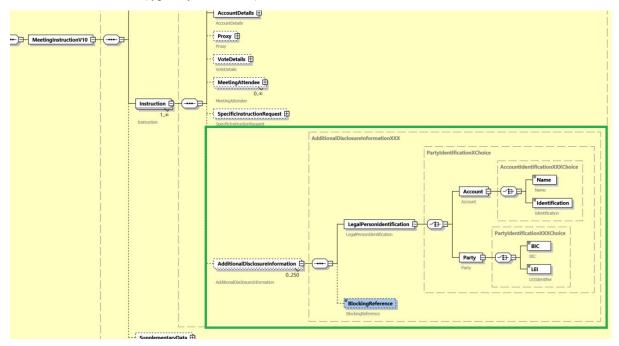
/Document/MtgInstr/Instr/AddDiscInfo/LgIPrsn/AccNm - Account Name (typed by Max70text) (choice)

/Document/MtgInstr/Instr/AddDiscInfo/LglPrsn/AnyBIC (choice)

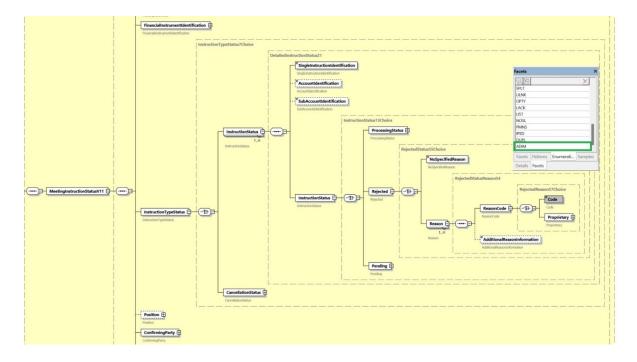
/Document/MtgInstr/Instr/AddDiscInfo/LglPrsn/LEI (choice)

Field Usage and Descriptions for BIC/LEI as existent

 $/Document/MtgInstr/Instr/\textbf{AddDiscInfo/BlocRef} \ - \ instruction \ blocking \ reference \ allocated \ by \ the \ ICSD \ to \ be \ transmitted \ to \ the \ issuer \ (typed \ by \ Max35 text).$



c. In the seev.006 (Meeting Instruction Status), in the message building block *Instruction Type Status*, in sequence Instruction Status, add rejection code "Additional Disclosure Information Missing (ADIM)" to element Reason/ReasonCode/Code, as illustrated below:



J. Proposed timing:

The submitting organization confirms that it can implement the requested changes in the requested timing.

Timing	As requested	

K. Final decision of the SEG(s):

This section is not to be taken care of by the submitting organization. It will be completed in due time by the SEG(s) in charge of the related ISO 20022 messages.

Approve	X

Approved with comments.

It was agreed to remove the proposed indicator and rely solely on the textual element "Additional Disclosure Requirements". Hence, no flag and only one element will be implemented. Inclusion of the element means that there are additional requirements.

Moreover, it was agreed to include the new "Additional Disclosure Requirement" element under the Vote block (instead of e.g. under the Meeting block), since the additional disclosure requirements may not apply to the entire meeting, but rather to specific resolutions. For example, certain votes might require disclosure of beneficial ownership or proxy details, while others might not. Instructions are given per vote, and the need for additional disclosure is tied to whether a participant chooses to vote on a specific resolution.

Similar elements like beneficial owner disclosure, split vote, and additional voting requirements are already located under the Vote block. Keeping the additional disclosure information in the same block maintains structural consistency.

Moreover, if placed under Meeting, it could imply that the disclosure applies to all resolutions, which may not be accurate. This could lead to confusion or incorrect implementation.

From a technical standpoint, it's easier to implement validation rules when the disclosure requirement is tied directly to the vote instruction.

Reject	

Reason for rejection:

CR1512: Add Investor Classification data in Meeting (Notifications and) Instructions

A. Origin of the request:

A.1 Submitter: Eurobonds Market

A.2 Contact persons: Catarina Marques (<u>catarina.marques@clearstream.com</u>) / Jean-Paul Lambotte/ Hatem Soliman (<u>hatem.soliman@euroclear.com</u>)

A.3 Sponsors: ICSDs and Eurobonds community

B. Related messages:

seev.001 MeetingNotification

seev.004 MeetingInstruction

seev.006 MeetingInstructionStatus

C. Description of the change request:

• Investor Classification Requirement

Introduce an optional sequence in seev.001 to allow the provision of investor categories / shareholder eligibility declaration and corresponding descriptions, as defined by the issuer, allowing voters which are subject to conditions, to indicate the category they pertain to in their voting instructions.

As multiple categories may apply, various classifications should be offered with the possibility to provide a description for each of the listed classifications. Given the Eurobonds market caters for a multiplicity of markets, an additional unspecified category is suggested, to cover for less frequent classification, in addition to the known categories listed below.

<u>Field Definition:</u> Investor Classification: Information identifying at event level the investor types that may apply, and that are subject to conditional vote defined by the issuer in their terms.

- <u>Eligible (ELIG):</u> The investor meets the requirements of the Eligible terms as described in the terms and conditions of the issued security and/or the meeting event classification
- Non-Eligible (NLIG): The investor does not meet the requirements of the Eligible terms as described in the terms and conditions of the issued security and/or the meeting event classification, such as but not limited regional characteristics, presence, and/or residence.
- QIB (QUIB): The investor is deemed a Qualified Institutional Buyer that is allowed to trade restricted securities under Rule 144A.

"Qualified Institutional Buyers (QIBs) are institutional investors with at least \$100 million in securities. This distinction affects access to private placements and disclosures." - example of description.

- Non-QIB (NQIB): The investor/entity is deemed not qualified (non-Qualified Institutional Buyer) to meet the criteria set forth under Rule 144A of the U.S. Securities Act of 1933 for QIB status.
- Generic (NSPC): Investor classification as defined by the issuer.

• Investor Classification / Categories and Description Field Structure in seev.001

As provided by the issuer/agent, provide in the notification the investor classifications **InvestorTypeIdentification** allowed for participation to the event:

/Document/MtgNtfctn/Mtg/Prtcptn/InvstrClssfctn (0:1) - investor types that may/may not participate to the event

/Document/MtgNtfctn/Mtg/Prtcptn/InvstrClssfctn/Elig – Investors eligible for participation to the event (typed by maxLength: 1025text) (choice)

/Document/MtgNtfctn/Mtg/Prtcptn/InvstrClssfctn/**NonElig** – Investors not eligible for participation to the event (typed by maxLength: 1025text) (choice)

/Document/MtgNtfctn/Mtg/Prtcptn/InvstrClssfctn/QIB – Investors eligible for participation to event as deemed qualified under US regulation (typed by maxLength: 1025text) (choice)

/Document/MtgNtfctn/Mtg/Prtcptn/InvstrClssfctn/**NonQIB** – Investors not eligible for participation in event under US regulation (typed by maxLength: 1025text) (choice)

• Investor Classification Disclosure in seev.004

Provision of classification category (if applicable) per agenda resolution allowing the submitter to disclose its classification according to allowed votes commonly segregated at agenda resolution level which may also require rightsholder disclosure information and/or beneficial holder details (example: eligible holders in a given country); if not classification provision is required, the section /InvstrClssfctn/ should not be used.

- $\bullet \quad / Document/MtgInstr/Instr/VoteDtls/VoteInstrForAgndRsltn/VotePerAgndRsltn$
- /Document/MtgInstr/Instr/VoteDtls/VoteInstrForAgndRsltn/VotePerAgndRsltn/InvstrClssfctn (0:1)
- /Document/MtgInstr/Instr/VoteDtls/VoteInstrForAgndRsltn/VotePerAgndRsltn/InvstrClssfctn/Elig votes cast for eligible investors (0:1) (choice)
- /Document/MtgInstr/Instr/VoteDtls/VoteInstrForAgndRsltn/VotePerAgndRsltn/InvstrClssfctn/NonElig votes cast for non-eligible investors (0:1) (choice)
- /Document/MtgInstr/Instr/VoteDtls/VoteInstrForAgndRsltn/VotePerAgndRsltn/InvstrClssfctn/QIB votes cast for qualified investors (0:1) (choice)
- /Document/MtgInstr/Instr/VoteDtls/VoteInstrForAgndRsltn/VotePerAgndRsltn/InvstrClssfctn/NonQI **B** votes cast for non-qualified investors (0:1) (choice)

/Document/MtgInstr/Instr/VoteDtls/VoteInstrForAgndRsltn/VotePerAgndRsltn/InvstrClssfctn/
 OthClass – votes cast for another class of investors, as provided in the corresponding description of the meeting notification (0:1) (choice)

• Rights Holder Account and Reference

In addition to existing rightsholder information (legal / natural person details), allow the provision of (optional) **Account Identification** representing the investor's account number and/or account name identified as **AccountReference**, if applicable. If not required, these fields should not be used.

- /Document/MtgInstr/Instr/AcctDtls/RghtsHldr (choice: true) Optional, at most 250 allowed [0...250]
- /Document/MtgInstr/Instr/AcctDtls/RghtsHldr/LglPrsn/AccountReference Account Identification (typed by Max70text) (choice)
- /Document/MtgInstr/Instr/AcctDtls/RghtsHldr/NtrlPrsn/AccountReference Account Identification (typed by Max70text) (choice)

• Rights Holder Identification

Currently the name (or first and surname) fields are defined as mandatory, when the rights holder is reported. In some instances, only the nationality, a regional presence, classification and/or a reference is required.

Examples:

- Legal persons must be in Europe, but not Switzerland.
- Natural persons may not be located in UK (Brexit)

The fields should be changed to conditional, whereby if the notification requested the identification of the holders, at least one of the elements will be expected in the instruction.

If /Document/MtgInstr/Instr/AcctDtls/RghtsHldr is choice: true

then cross-refernece validation where at least LglPrsn or NtrlPrsn must be provided

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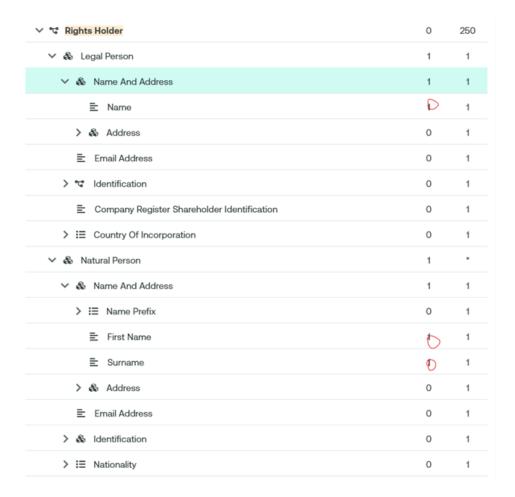
Or

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/Document/MtgInstr/Instr/AcctDtls/RghtsHldr/NtrlPrsn/Ntlty (0:1)



• Investor Classification Validation in SEEV.006

It is foreseen to use new rejection reason "Missing Investor Classification Details" [XXXX] if the classification submitted in the instruction does not match the investor classification in the notification.

D. Purpose of the change:

Improve automation.

E. Urgency of the request:

SR2026

Note: the ISO 20022 maintenance results in the publication of a new version of an ISO 20022 message. The actual implementation of such new version on networks and in user installations is not within the purview of ISO.

F. Business examples:

In the bonds business the investor classification is often required for corporate actions and general meetings. In MT564 different options are used for the different investor classifications.

G. SEG/TSG recommendation:

This section is not to be taken care of by the submitter of the change request. It will be completed in due time by the SEG(s) in charge of the related ISO 20022 messages or the TSG for changes related to the BAH.

Consider: X

Timing:

- Next yearly cycle: 2025/2026: X (the change will be considered for implementation in the yearly maintenance cycle which starts in 2025 and completes with the publication of new message versions in the spring of 2026)
- At the occasion of the next maintenance of the messages:
 (the change will be considered for implementation, but does not justify maintenance of the messages in its own right will be pending until more critical change requests are received for the messages)
- Urgent unscheduled: (the change justifies an urgent implementation outside of the normal yearly cycle)
- Other timing:

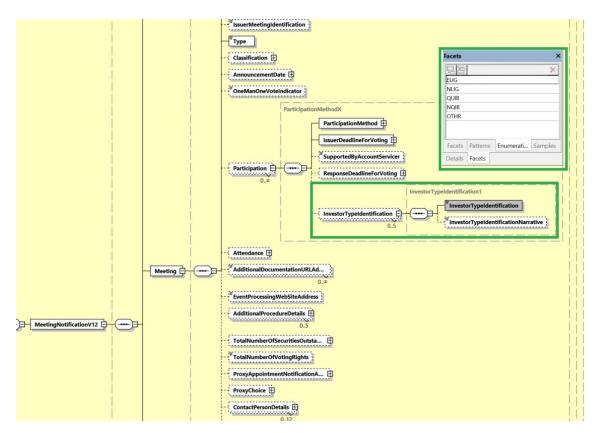
Comments: N/A

H. Impact analysis:

This change request impacts the following General meeting messages: seev.001, seev.004, seev.006.

I. Proposed implementation solution:

- **a.** In the seev.001 (MeetingNotification), in message building block "Meeting", add new optional and repetitive (up to five times) component "InvestorTypeIdentification" to sequence "Participation", typed by datatype InvestorTypeIdentification1, including the following two elements:
 - Mandatory and non-repetitive element **InvestorTypeIdentification**, typed by InvestorClassificationType1Code, and defined as "*Investor types that may/may not participate to the event*", with the following code values and corresponding descriptions:
 - Eligible (ELIG): Investors eligible for participation to the event.
 - · Non-Eligible (NLIG): Investors not eligible for participation to the event.
 - QIB (QUIB): Investors eligible for participation to event as deemed qualified under US regulation.
 - Non-QIB (NQIB): Investors not eligible for participation in event under US regulation.
 - Other Class (OTHR): Investors that may/may not be eligible to participate to the event as described by the issuer.
 - Optional and non-repetitive element "InvestorTypeIdentification Narrative", typed by Max1025Text datatype.



b

- **b.** In the seev.004 (MeetingInstruction), in message building block *Instruction*, in sequence Vote Details/VoteInstructionForAgendaResolution/VotePerAgendaResolution and in sequence VoteDetails/VoteInstructionForAgendaResolution/VoteForAllAgendaResolutions, add new optional and repetitive element "InvestorTypeIdentification", typed by InvestorTypeIdentification1, as described above and as illustrated below:
- b.1./Document/MtgInstr/Instr/VoteDtls/VoteInstrForAgndRsltn/VotePerAgndR

/Document/MtgInstr/Instr/VoteDtls/VoteInstrForAgndRsltn/VotePerAgndRsltn/InvstrTpId

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 $b. 2.\ / Document/MtgInstr/Instr/\textbf{Vote} Dtls/\textbf{Vote} InstrForAgndRsltn/\textbf{Vote} ForAllAgendaRe solutions$

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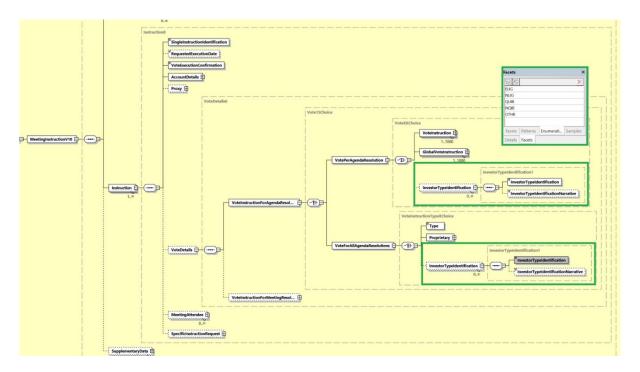
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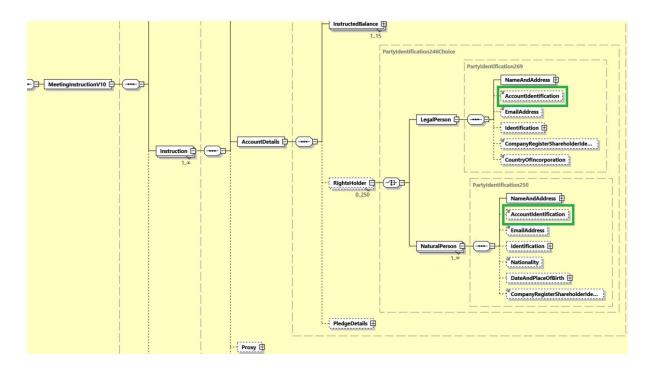
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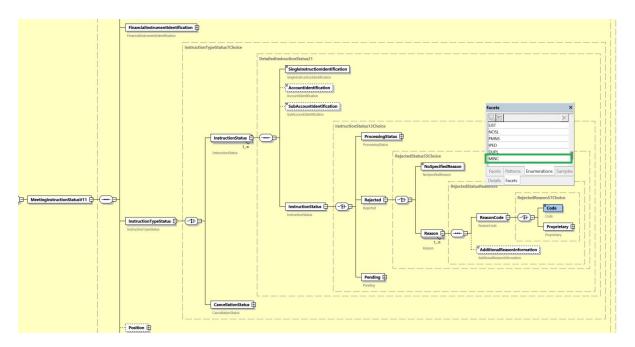
/Document/MtgInstr/Instr/VoteDtls/VoteInstrForAgndRsltn/VoteForAllAgendaResolutions/InvstrTpId/OthClass



c. In the seev.004 (MeetingInstruction), in message building block *Instruction*, in sequence AccountDetails, add new optional and non-repetitive element "Account Identification" to both Rightsholder/Legal Person and Rightsholder/NaturalPerson, each typed as Max35text, after Name And Address.



d. In the seev.006 (Meeting Instruction Status), in the message building block *Instruction Type Status,* in sequence Instruction Status, add rejection reason code "MINC" (Missing Investor Classification Details) to element Rejected/Reason/ReasonCode/Code, as illustrated below:



J. Proposed timing:

The submitting organization confirms that it can implement the requested changes in the requested timing.

Timing As requested

K. Final decision of the SEG(s):

This section is not to be taken care of by the submitting organization. It will be completed in due time by the SEG(s) in charge of the related ISO 20022 messages.

Approve	X

Approved with comments. Since it is not possible to make the element "Name" and "NameAndAddress" optional, the following part of the solution proposal has been removed from the change request: *In the seev.004 (MeetingInstruction), in the message building block Instruction, in sequence AccountDetails, make elements Name and Address and Name optional for component RightsHolder/LegalPerson and make elements Name and Address, First Name and Surname optional for component RightsHolder/NaturalPerson.*

Reject			

Reason for rejection: