

# Accessing Brazil: Managing Risks, Capturing Opportunities

# BRL/USD FUTURES AND OPTIONS | USD DENOMINATED IBOVESPA FUTURES

Brazil has been attracting the attention of global investors for the past decade. The significantly growing middle class presents an interesting opportunity as this group demands increased and expanded goods and services. As well, Brazil is a resource rich country boasting the most exports of soybeans, coffee and sugar, along with the most freshwater of any country in the world.

Interest in Brazil has created a need for efficient ways to capitalize on local opportunities and manage exposure.

Three contracts from CME offer access to Brazil's stock and currency markets with multiple benefits – **USD Denominated Ibovespa futures** and **BRL/USD futures and options on futures**:

- · U.S. dollar-based trading and settlement
- Ability to maintain positions in the U.S. to achieve favorable tax treatment
- Use of existing futures account and clearing relationships to CME
- · Flexible execution choice
- One marketplace to access opportunities across multiple asset classes

## **BRAZIL SNAPSHOT**

One of the five BRICS countries

5TH LARGEST country in world (by population and geographical area)

LARGEST ECONOMY in Latin America

Host for the 2014 WORLD CUP and 2016 SUMMER OLYMPICS

## **BRL/USD Futures and Options on Futures**

- · Hedge risks associated with currency rate fluctuations
- Trade on relative value changes in the U.S. dollar vs.
  Brazilian real
- Leverage margin efficiencies with CME's highly liquid major FX crosses
- Trade possible arbitrage between onshore and offshore rate curves
- Flexible execution methods: Electronically through CME Globex; on the floor; through privately negotiated block trades and Exchange for Physical (EFP) transactions
- Dedicated market makers, including recently added in-region market maker for futures and options, Itaú

## **USD Denominated Ibovespa Futures**

- Get exposure to Brazil's benchmark equity index, Ibovespa, with a single trade
- Capitalize on spreading opportunities with S&P 500 futures and other CME/CBOT stock index products
- Flexible execution methods: Electronically through CME Globex; privately negotiated block trades (minimum 50 contracts) and EFP transactions
- · Dedicated market makers providing two-sided markets



# **BRL/USD Futures and Options**

## IN-REGION MARKET MAKER FOR BRL/USD FUTURES AND OPTIONS



Itaú is currently a market maker for the BRL/USD futures contract listed on CME and is also committed to posting prices on request for the BRL/USD options contract.

The bank has extensive experience on the USD/BRL market and is one of the biggest players in it, given its strong position in Brazil and in Latin America.

Itaú is deeply committed to increasing the liquidity of those products and to providing competitive prices to clients looking to trade BRL/USD.

We strongly believe that the partnership between Itaú and CME will be a long and productive one that will bring innumerous benefits for the market.

BRL/USD	Futures		Options	
Contract Size	100,000 Brazilian reais		One futures contract for 100,000 Brazilian reais	
Contract Month Listings	Consecutive contract month listings (Jan., Feb., Mar., Apr., May, etc.) for a total maturity range out 10 years		Twelve consecutive contract months, 4 weekly	
Daily Settlement Procedure	To reduce basis risk between the CME Brazilian real/U.S. dollar futures & options and the BM&FBOVESPA U.S. dollar/Brazilian real futures & options contracts, CME Settlements Team will determine the daily settlement prices at 4:00 p.m. Sao Paulo time each day. <sup>1</sup>			
Settlement Type	Cash-settled		Option on cash-settled futures contract	
Position Limits	24,000 futures-equivalent contracts in a single month; 40,000 futures-equivalent contracts in all months combined**			
Ticker Symbol	CME Globex: 6L		Monthly options: BR	
	AON Code: LZ		Weekly options: 1R-5R	
			AON Code: LZK	
Minimum Price Fluctuation (Tick)	\$.00005 per Brazilian real increments (\$5.00/contract)			
Trading Hours	CME Globex (ETH)	Globex (ETH) Sundays: 5:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Central Time (CT) next day. Monday – Friday: 5:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. CT the next day, except on Friday - closes at 4:00 p.m. and reopens Sunday at 5:00 p.m. CT.		
	CME ClearPort Sunday – Friday 6:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. (5:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. Chicago Time/CT) with a 45-minut break each day beginning at 5:15 p.m. (4:15 p.m. CT)			
	_		Open Outcry (RTH)	Monday – Friday: 7:20 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. CT
Last Trade Date/Time	On the last business day of the month, at 9:15 a.m. CT, immediately preceding the contract month, on which the Central Bank of Brazil is scheduled to publish its final end-of-month (EOM), "Commercial exchange rate for Brazilian reais per U.S. dollar for cash delivery" (PTAX rate).		Monthly options: On the last business day of the month, at 9:15 a.m. CT, immediately preceding the contract month, on which the Central Bank of Brazil is scheduled to publish its final end-of-month (EOM), "Commercial exchange rate for Brazilian reais per U.S. dollar for cash delivery" (PTAX rate).	
			Weekly options: Close of trading is on the four nearest Fridays that are not also terminations for monthly options. Same time as determination of daily settlement prices. <sup>1</sup>	
Block Trade Eligibility	Yes. For more information, visit cmegroup.com/blocks			
Block Trade Minimum	50 contracts for both futures and options			
EFRP Eligibility	Yes. For more information, visit cmegroup.com/efp			

<sup>\*</sup>These contracts are subject to the rules and regulations of CME.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Position Limits: Size of position may not exceed the indicated numbers of contract, i.e., a finite limit.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Please note that daily settlement prices will be determined at 4:00 p.m. Sao Paulo time, which is either 2:00 p.m. or 1:00 p.m. or 12:00 noon Central Time depending upon relative implementation dates of Daylight Saving Time in both the U.S. and Brazil. CME publishes an annual schedule of the times for daily CME Brazilian real/U.S. dollar futures settlement prices. View times for daily BRL/USD futures settlement prices at www.cmegroup.com/trading/fx/files/BRL-USD-Illustration-of-Daily-Closing.pdf

# **USD-Denominated Ibovespa Futures**

Contract Size	USD \$1 x Ibovespa			
Contract Months	Four bi-monthly contracts (February, April, June, August, October, December cycle).			
Final Settlement	Cash Settlement in USD based on the final settlement price of the Ibovespa futures at BM&F (in Brazil) with the identical contract month. On the expiration date, the Ibovespa futures settlement price shall be the Ibovespa settlement index (the arithmetic average of the Bovespa Index values published by BM&F every 30 seconds in the last three hours of BM&F BOVESPA spot market trading, up to and including the closing call).			
Final Settlement Date	First business day after the final trading date			
Position Limit	3,500 contracts in all months combined			
CME Tickers	Clearing = IBV, Ticker = IBV			
Vendor Tickers	Bloomberg: Ticker = IBAA Index; CQG Ticker = BIBV; Esignal: Ticker = IBV			
Minimum Price Fluctuation (Tick)	Outrights: 25 index points (= USD \$25.00)			
	Calendar Spreads: 5 index points (= USD \$5.00)			
Trading Hours CME Globex (Electronic Platform)	Variable Start Time = 15 minutes after Ibovespa futures contract opens at BM&F — adjusted for changes in both U.S. and Brazil Daylight Savings Time:			
	7:15 a.m. CT (Monday, March 10, 2014 until Friday, October 17, 2014)			
	6:15 a.m. CT (Monday, October 19, 2014 until Friday, October 31, 2014)			
	5:15 a.m. CT (Monday, November 2, 2014 until Friday, February 20, 2015)			
	Closing Time: Mon – Fri: 4:00 p.m. CT			
Termination of Trading Time for Expiring Contract	On the futures contract's Final Trading Date, regular trading will cease at 5:00 p.m. (Sao Paulo time) for the expiring contract.			
Final Trading Date	Same as the BM&FBOVESPA's lbovespa Futures of the same contract month – Wednesday closest to the 15th calendar day of the contract month. If it is a non-trading day at BM&FBOVESPA, the last trading day for the expiring futures contract shall be the next BM&FBOVESPA trading day.			
Futures Price Limits	10% daily price limit above and below the prior trading day's settlement price of the Ibovespa futures at BVMF. No price limits on the expiring contract during the last three trading days prior to expiration. The Exchange may alter the price fluctuation limit applicable to any contract month at any time, even during a trading session, by communicating this to the market with a 30-minute advance notice.			
Block-Trade Eligible?	Yes - Minimum Threshold of 50 Contracts			
EFRP Eligibility	Yes. For more information, visit cmegroup.com/efp			
Index Construction	The Bovespa Index is a total return index weighted by free-float market value, and is comprised of the most traded and most representative securities on Brazil's stock market.			

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