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All Customers should read carefully the following Product Information Statement.

### **1. GENERAL**

This notice is provided to you in accordance with Law 144(I) of 2007 of Cyprus.

### **2. RISK WARNINGS**

The Client should not engage in any investment directly or indirectly in Financial Instruments unless he knows and understands the risks involved for each one of the Financial Instruments. So, prior to applying for an account the Client should consider carefully whether investing in a specific Financial Instrument is suitable for him in the light of his circumstances and financial resources. The Client is warned of the following risks:

- a) FIBO does not and cannot guarantee the initial capital of the Client's portfolio or its value at any time or any money invested in any financial instrument.
- b) The Client should acknowledge that, regardless of any information which may be offered by FIBO, the value of any investment in Financial Instruments may fluctuate downwards or upwards and it is even probable that the investment may become of no value.
- c) The Client should acknowledge that he runs a great risk of incurring losses and damages as a result of the purchase and/or sale of any Financial Instrument and accepts that he is willing to undertake this risk.
- d) Information of the previous performance of a Financial Instrument does not guarantee its current and/or future performance. The use of historical data does not constitute a binding or safe forecast as to the corresponding future performance of the Financial Instruments to which the said information refers.
- e) The Client is hereby advised that the transactions undertaken through the dealing services of FIBO may be of a speculative nature. Large losses may occur in a short period of time, equaling the total of funds deposited with FIBO.
- f) Some Financial Instruments may not become immediately liquid as a result e.g. of reduced demand and the Client may not be in a position to sell them or easily obtain information on the value of these Financial Instruments or the extent of the associated risks.
- g) When a Financial Instrument is traded in a currency other than the currency of the Client's country of residence, any changes in the exchange rates may have a negative effect on its value, price and performance.
- h) A Financial Instrument on foreign markets may entail risks different to the usual risks of the markets in the Client's country of residence. In some cases, these risks may be greater. The prospect of profit or loss from transactions on foreign markets is also affected by exchange rate fluctuations.
- i) A Derivative Financial Instrument (i.e. option, future, forward, swap, contract for

difference) may be a non delivery spot transaction giving an opportunity to make profit on changes in currency rates, commodity, stock market indices or share prices called the underlying instrument.

j) The value of the Derivative Financial Instrument may be directly affected by the price of the security or any other underlying instrument which is the object of the acquisition.

k) The Client must not purchase a Derivative Financial Instrument unless he is willing to undertake the risks of losing entirely all the money which he has invested and also any additional commissions and other expenses incurred.

l) Under certain market conditions it may be difficult or impossible to execute an order.

m) Placing Stop Loss Orders serves to limit your losses. However, under certain market conditions the execution of a Stop Loss Order may be worse than its stipulated price and the realized losses can be larger than expected.

n) Should the margin capital be insufficient to hold current positions open, you may be called upon to deposit additional funds at short notice or reduce exposure. Failure to do so in the time required may result in the liquidation of positions at a loss and you will be liable for any resulting deficit.

o) A Bank or Broker through whom FIBO deals or FIBO itself may act in the same market as you, its own account involvement could be contrary to your interests.

p) The insolvency of FIBO or of a Bank or Broker used by FIBO to effect its transactions may lead to your positions being closed out against your wishes.

q) The Client's attention is expressly drawn to currencies traded so irregularly or infrequently that it cannot be certain that a price will be quoted at all times or that it may be difficult to effect transactions at a price which may be quoted owing to the absence of a counter party.

r) Trading on-line, no matter how convenient or efficient, does not necessarily reduce risks associated with currency trading.

s) There is a risk that the Client's trades in Financial Instruments may be or become subject to tax and/or any other duty for example because of changes in legislation or his personal circumstances. FIBO does not warrant that no tax and/or any other stamp duty will be payable. The Client should be responsible for any taxes and/or any other duty which may accrue in respect of his trades.

t) Before the Client begins to trade, he should obtain details of all commissions and other charges for which the Client will be liable. If any charges are not expressed in money terms (but for example as a dealing spread), the Client should ask for a written explanation, including appropriate examples, to establish what such charges are likely to mean in specific money terms.

u) Investing in some Financial Instruments entails the use of "gearing" or "leverage". In considering whether to engage in this form of investment, the Client should be aware that the high degree of leverage that is obtainable in Spot Foreign Exchange Trading can work

against him as well as for him. The use of leverage can lead to large losses as well as gains. So, the Client should unreservedly acknowledge and accept that he runs a great risk of incurring losses and damages as a result of the dealing in some Financial Instruments and accepts and declares that he is willing to undertake this risk.

v) Transactions may not be undertaken on a recognized or designated investment exchange and, accordingly, they may expose the Client to greater risks than exchange transactions. The terms and conditions and trading rules may be established solely by the counterparty. The Client may only be able to close an open position of any given contract during the opening hours of the exchange. The Client may also have to close any position with the same counterparty with whom it was originally entered into. In regard to transactions in CFD's and NDFs with FIBO, FIBO is using a Trading Platform for transactions in CFD's and NDFs which does not fall into the definition of a recognized exchange as this is not a Multilateral Trading Facility because FIBO may be a in a client transaction.

w) FIBO will not provide the Client with investment advice relating to investments or possible transactions in investments or make investment recommendations of any kind.

x) FIBO may be required to hold the Client's money in an account that is segregated from other clients and FIBO's money in accordance with current regulations, but this may not afford complete protection.

y) There may be situations, movements and/or conditions occurring at weekend, in the beginning of week or intra-day after release of significant macroeconomic figures, economic or political news, in any event of Force Majeure that make currency markets to open with price levels that may substantially differ from previous prices. In this case there exists a significant risk that orders issued to protect open positions and open new positions may be executed at prices significantly different from those designated.

This notice cannot and does not disclose or explain all of the risks and other significant aspects involved in dealing in all Financial Instrument and investment services.

### **3. CLIENT CONSENT**

This document forms part of our Terms of Business. Therefore, by entering into an Adhesion Contract with FIBO for the provision of Investment and Ancillary services, you are also agreeing that you are willing to undertake the risks herein.