

# **Information on ISSA and its Core Activities**

Event AMEDA Meeting Bahrain

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# **History**

### **Need and Idea**

The idea of an association of securities services providers from all over the world was conceived in 1975 by the heads of Securities Services Citibank, New York, and Union Bank of Switzerland, Zurich.

### **Foundation**

In 1979, Citibank, Deutsche Bank and Union Bank of Switzerland, by jointly organizing a first meeting of senior securities services executives in Switzerland, laid the foundation of ISSA.



# Mission

### **Drive Solutions**

Actively contribute to developing and promoting forward-thinking solutions that create efficiencies and mitigate risk within the global securities services industry.

# Strengthen Collaboration

Bring together influential securities services leaders, regulators, and other industry stakeholders to foster international coordination and collaboration across the securities services industry.

# Facilitate Communication

Facilitate and stimulate active communication among all industry stakeholders.



# **Sponsoring Institutions and Board Members**

José Placido



Hani Kablawi



Lee R. Waite



**Phil Brown** 



**Stephen Lomas** 



**Andrew Gray** 



**Pierre Yves Goemans** 



John Van Verre







**Alan Naughton** 

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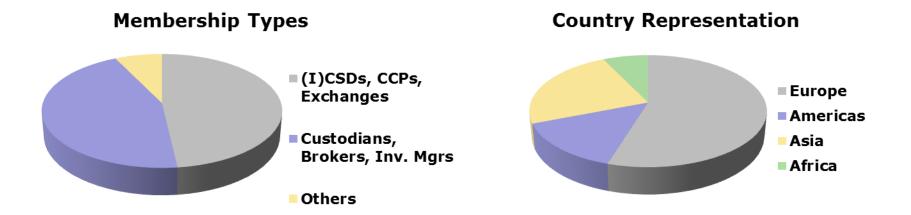
**Additional Board Members:** 

Josef Landolt (ISSA CEO) **Irene Mermigidis, Clearstream (Chair Operating Committee) Urs Stähli (ISSA Secretary)** 



# **Members**

October 2014: 87 ISSA Members from 43 Countries





## **Achievements**

### **Contribution to Standardization**

Physical Eurobond Format; ISIN; Corporate Action Types; Bridge CB / EOC

### **Contribution to G30 Recommendations**

Wording / implementing 1989 Recs; new G30 Recs in 2003; monitoring

### **Raising awareness**

 Risk issues in CCPs / CSDs; impact of Euro on securities operations; regulatory impacts on securities services chain; risks in "Out of Network Assets"

## **Disseminating Market Knowledge**

Publication of ISSA Handbook and Updates

# **Defining Best Practices**

 MuFu processing (with EFAMA); OTC Deriva Valuations; CA and Proxy Voting processing; posting of collateral

### **Offering Platforms**

ISSA Symposia; Working Groups; Thought Leadership Events; Roadshows



# Recent Report «Global Principles for Corporate Actions and Proxy Voting»

### **Main Contents**

- Survey in 33 markets
- Realities
- Recommendations

# Global Principles for Corporate Actions and Proxy Voting Progress Update Report A contribution to align current industry efforts to achieve a more efficient global corporate actions and proxy voting processing environment. September 2013

### **Recommendations for Next Steps**

- Promote Principles actively with industry participants, particularly CSDs and Exchanges
- Promote regulatory change to require the digitization of CA information at source
- Take a firm stand on and actively promote the use of ISO formats for cross-border CA info exchange
- The working group should repeat this survey annually
- The working group should publish a case study highlighting benefits in successful markets



Recent Report «Regulatory Impacts on the Securities Value Chain – Shadow Banking»

### Main Contents

- General Description of Shadow Banking Initiatives
- Impacts on Securities Lending and Repos Transactions
- Impacts on Money Market Funds



### **Report on Shadow Banking**

Developments of Regulatory Changes and their Impact on ISSA Members

February 2014

### **Conclusions**

- Further Shadow Banking developments to be expected in 2014
- Different speed and focus on a regional level
- Custodians (and Fund Depositaries) to closely study the reforms to be able to make adjustments to accounting and disclosure policies and procedures
- The jury is out as to whether proposed Money Market Fund reforms will impact client product appetite and whether alternatives will benefit.



# Recent Report (ISSA and AGC) «Out of Network Assets – Challenges in Safekeeping and Supervisory Services»

### **Main Contents**

- Legal and practice framework
- Advancements of Market Infrastructures
- Possible approaches / recommendations to close gaps

# JOINT REPORT Addressing Challenges in Safekeeping and Supervisory Services for Out-of-Network Assets March 2014

### Out of Network Assets dealt with

- Third-party Time Deposits
- Interests in Funds / Collective Investment Schemes and Private Equity Funds
- Bank Loans
- Derivatives
- Precious Metals

on legal nature / ownership, ownership interest and asset information, perfected security interests and title transfer arrangements.



# Recent Report «Collateral Management Best Practices»

### **Main Contents**

- Background and Key Definitions Collateral Management
- 37 Best Practice Recommendations
- Regulatory Overview in EU; Future Trends



Report on Collateral Management

Best Practices of Collateral Management for Cleared and Ri-laterally Traded Products

March 2014

### **Best Practice Recommendations**

- Collateral Protection (Collateral Segregation; Cash / Non-Cash Collateral; Cleared / Uncleared TRX)
- Operational Processes Associated with Default Management (Pre-Default; Post-Default)
- Customer Communication and Reporting (Message Automation; Pledge and Release Automation; Report Automation, Reconciliation)



# **Current Working Groups**

Collateral Management Best Practices

Compliance and Transparency along the Securities Services Value Chain

Corporate Actions and Proxy Voting

ISSA Risk Guide 1992 - Revisited



# Communication





