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# GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS

Effective from 14.02.2021 until Further Notice

## CUSTOMER AGREEMENT

This is a legal contract between BlueChipTrades LTD, herein after known as ("BlueChipTrades", "us" or "we") its successors and assigns, and the party/parties (the "Customer", "client" or "you") executing this document. This document, together with our [Risk Disclosure Statement](#), [Order Execution Policy](#), [Trading Conditions and Charges](#), [Conflict of Interest Policy](#), [Client Asset Key Information Document](#), [Key Information Document](#) and [Privacy Statement](#), which are found on our website (together the "Client Agreement")\_represents the terms with which BlueChipTrades will do business with Customer. This document sets out the respective rights and obligations of both parties in connection with this service and both parties will accept and be bound by these terms on acceptance of the terms contained herein and on completion of the application form by Customer.

In connection with opening an account with BlueChipTrades to speculate in, and/or purchase, and/or sell, Forex, Contracts for Differences (hereinafter referred to as "CFDs"), Options (hereinafter referred to as "Options") and Spread Betting, in commodities, metals, currencies and indices, and the receipt of such other services and products as BlueChipTrades may, in its sole discretion, determine to offer from time to time in the future, Customer acknowledges that it has been advised and understands the following factors concerning trading in the over the counter market ("OTC") and/or Spread Betting market, in addition to those contained in the Risk Disclosure Statement which has been provided to Customer. We trade contracts for differences ("CFD") transactions in OTC.

In consideration of BlueChipTrades agreeing to provide services to "Customer", "client" or "you" in connection with the purchase of Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting in commodities, currencies, metals and indices and the receipt of such other services and products as BlueChipTrades may, in its sole discretion, determine to offer from time to time in the future and which may be purchased or sold by or through BlueChipTrades for Customer's accounts(s), Customer agrees that the following rights and obligations will govern the relationship between BlueChipTrades and Customer.

## IMPORTANT NOTICES

OTC trading means that trading does not take place on a regulated exchange. There are no guarantees as to the credit worthiness of the counter party of your Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting position. Also, there may be certain cases in which trading liquidity decreases, causing Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting in commodities, currencies, metals and indices to cease, thereby preventing the liquidation of an adverse position which may result in a substantial financial loss.

### Target Market

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Trading in CFDs will not be appropriate for everyone. In general, BlueChipTrades considers that the product should be used by persons for whom some or all of following applies: (1) is an Elective Professional Client, or (2) is a Retail Client who (a) has sufficient relevant knowledge and/or experience; (b) has the ability to bear a 100% loss of all funds invested; (c) has a high-risk tolerance; and (d) the intended use of the product comprises one or more of the following reasons: short-term investment, speculative trading, portfolio diversification and/or hedging of exposure to an underlying asset.

BlueChipTrades does not provide investment advice. The market recommendations, signals, information provided by and/or distributed by BlueChipTrades are general in nature and based solely on the judgment of BlueChipTrades's personnel or from third party information providers. These market recommendations may or may not be consistent with the market position or intentions of BlueChipTrades, its affiliates, and/or employees. The market recommendations and information provided by BlueChipTrades are based upon information believed to be reliable, but BlueChipTrades cannot and does not guarantee the accuracy or completeness thereof or represent that following such recommendations will eliminate the risk inherent in trading Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting. Any market recommendations of, or information provided by, BlueChipTrades does not constitute an offer to buy or sell, or the solicitation of an offer to buy or sell, any OTC transaction. Customer understands and hereby agrees that Customer is capable of, and solely responsible for, assessing the merits and risks of any trade it may enter into with BlueChipTrades.

Customer understands that BlueChipTrades does not permit its Customer representatives to either exercise discretion or manage an OTC account. If Customer's account is not being traded with Customer's authorisation, Customer must notify BlueChipTrades immediately.

BlueChipTrades's margin policies and/or the policies of those banks/clearing houses through which trades are executed may require that additional funds be provided to properly margin Customer's account and Customer is obligated to immediately meet such margin requirements. Failure to meet margin calls may result in the liquidation of any open positions with a resultant loss. BlueChipTrades reserves the right to refuse to accept any order.

Customer understands that it must carefully review the reports relating to Customer's trading posted online by BlueChipTrades. All reports of execution and statements of accounts will be deemed final unless customer objects within two business days of being posted. Objections may be made initially by email or by telephone, but must be confirmed thereafter in writing.

Customer understands that BlueChipTrades may establish rules and provisions for client accounts, including but not limited to minimum account size, investment time period, commissions and fees, leverage size per instrument, mark ups, rules relating to stop losses and limits, rules relating to rollovers, rules relating to margin calls, or any other financial arrangement, and that such rules and provisions may be changed by BlueChipTrades from time to time.

Customer has read and understands the Customer's obligations and rights under this Customer Agreement and agrees and acknowledges that this Customer Agreement, Risk Disclosure Statement,

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Order Execution Policy, Trading Conditions and Charges, Conflict of Interest Policy, Client Asset Key Information Document, Key Information Document and Privacy Statement will comprise the terms of the Customer's relationship with BlueChipTrades. The Customer agrees that Customer is fully responsible for making all decisions as to transactions effected for Customer's account. Customer has considered the foregoing factors and in view of Customer's present and anticipated financial resources, Customer is willing and able to assume the substantial financial risks of OTC trading.

**IT IS THE CUSTOMER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO FIND OUT ALL NECESSARY INFORMATION ABOUT TRADING IN FOREX, CFDs, OPTIONS AND SPREAD BETTING AND BLUECHIPTRADES TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND MAKE SURE THAT ALL RISKS AND ARRANGEMENTS ARE DISCUSSED AND CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD PRIOR TO ANY TRADING ACTIVITY.**

## 1. TERMS AND HEADINGS

- 1.1 "BlueChipTrades" shall, where the context so permits or requires, be deemed to mean BlueChipTrades LTD its subsidiaries and affiliates and their successors and assigns;
- 1.2 "Central Bank" shall mean the "Central Bank of European Union" or any successor authority thereto.
- 1.3 "Customer" shall mean the party (or parties) who have agreed to be bound by the terms of this Agreement;
- 1.4 "Agreement" shall include this agreement and all other agreements and authorizations executed by Customer in connection with the maintenance of Customer's account with BlueChipTrades.  
  
"MiFID" shall mean The Markets In Financial Instruments Directive II (MiFID II) 2014/65/EU  
"Applicable Regulations" means: (a) the Central Bank regulations; (b) rules of a relevant regulatory authority; (c) the rules of a relevant Exchange; and (d) all other applicable laws, rules and regulations as in force from time to time, as applicable to this Agreement, any Transaction, or our Electronic Trading Services; The paragraph headings in this Agreement are inserted for convenience of reference only and are not deemed to limit the applicability or affect the meaning of any of its provisions.

## 2. INFORMATION ABOUT BLUECHIPTRADES

- 2.1 BlueChipTrades LTD, trading as "BlueChipTrades", is a member of the BlueChipTrades LTD.

The BlueChipTrades LTD consists of:

- BlueChipTrades LTD.

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2.2 BlueChipTrades EU Limited is a company incorporated under the laws of United Kingdom and is regulated in the Republic of Ireland by the Central Bank as an investment firm under the MiFID Regulations. The MiFID Regulations transpose the MiFID into Irish law. The Central Bank, Ireland's financial services regulatory body, is responsible for the regulation of financial services providers in the Republic of Ireland. BlueChipTrades is authorised by the Central Bank under the MiFID Regulations to provide the investment service set out in paragraph below:

- 2.2.1 Investment Service: Dealing on own account, meaning the activity of trading against proprietary capital resulting in the conclusion of transactions in one or more financial instruments.
- 2.2.2 Ancillary Services: Foreign exchange services where these are connected to the provision of investment services; and Investment research and financial analysis or other forms of general recommendation relating to transactions in financial instruments.
- 2.2.3 Financial Instruments: Options, futures, swaps, forward rate agreements and any other derivative contracts relating to any of the following:
  - (i) Securities, currencies, interest rates or yields, or other derivative instruments, financial indices or financial measures which may be settled physically or in cash;
  - (ii) Commodities that must be settled in cash or may be settled in cash at the option of one of the parties (otherwise than by reason of a default of other termination event);
  - (iii) Commodities that can be physically settled, provided that they are traded on a regulated market or on an MTF;
  - (iv) Commodities, not being for commercial purposes, if the commodities can be physically settled and have the characteristics of other derivative financial instruments, having regard to whether, inter alia, they are cleared and settled through recognized clearing houses or are subject to regular margin calls;
  - (v) Financial contracts for differences.

## 3. CATEGORISATION

3.1 Under MiFID II we are required to categorise our clients in order to determine the correct level of investor protection and transparency. It is our policy to treat all of our clients as retail clients in relation to the MiFID services that we provide unless retail clients upon request opt to be

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categorised as “professional clients”. Retail clients for whom we provide services in relation to Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting will be afforded the highest level of protection available under MiFID.

3.2 We may consider requests from clients to be treated as a “professional client”, but only on an exceptional basis and only in the event that the customer satisfies the criteria under MiFID to be classified as a “professional client”. A “professional client” will be assessed and categorised as such based on the stated expertise, experience and knowledge in financial markets. We deem that professional clients are capable of making their own investment decisions and that they understand the risks involved. If you are classified as a “professional client”, you may lose certain protections, as indicated on our website. These includes limits in relation to leverage. In these circumstances, we will provide you with a notice of protections lost setting out any regulatory protections that will no longer be provided, as well as any protections that will be retained.

### COMMUNICATION

4.1 The principal method of communication between BlueChipTrades and Customer will be electronically via BlueChipTrades’s website and on-line trading platforms.

4.2 Information regarding orders placed and executed will be addressed personally to Customer through a customer specific account.

4.3 However, certain information will be provided generally on our website, such as general market recommendations and Customer hereby consents to receiving information not addressed personally to customer in that form.

4.4 Customer may also place orders via the phone with our dealing room. In the course of our dealings with you, you may place orders with us via our on-line trading platform in the languages which are posted on our website, which is updated with additional languages from time to time.

4.5 Where orders are placed by phone via the dealing room you may communicate with us in any one of the languages which are listed on the website.

4.6 All written communications from us to you will be in the language used to register your account via our website.

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## 4. AUTHORISATION TO TRADE

- 5.1 BlueChipTrades is authorised to enter into Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting contracts on an over-the-counter basis with Customer in accordance with Customer's oral or written or computer instructions, subject to the terms of this Agreement and all annexes hereto.
- 5.2 On completion of the application form by Customer, BlueChipTrades will issue Customer with a secure password which is to be used with the chosen user-name of the Customer.
- 5.3 BlueChipTrades's security systems are designed to ensure that any information provided to and from Customer is securely transmitted. Customer is obligated to keep passwords secret and is solely responsible for ensuring that third parties do not obtain access to the password or BlueChipTrades's trading facilities.
- 5.4 Customer agrees to be exclusively responsible for any instruction received electronically that is identified with Customer's password and account number and for any electronic, oral and written instruction to BlueChipTrades from persons BlueChipTrades in its sole judgment, believes are apparently authorized by Customer.
- 5.5 If Customer's account is titled as a joint account, BlueChipTrades is authorised to act on the instructions of any one owner, without further inquiry, with regard to trading on the account and the disposition of any and all assets in the account.
- 5.6 BlueChipTrades shall have no responsibility for further inquiry into such apparent authority and no liability for the consequences of any actions taken or omitted to be taken by BlueChipTrades in reliance on any such instructions or on the apparent authority of any such persons.
- 5.7 BlueChipTrades has the authority to require joint action by the owners of the account in respect of the account. BlueChipTrades may send all correspondences and documents in respect of the account to any one owner of a joint account.
- 5.8 BlueChipTrades has possession over the security of the account whether individual or joint.
- 5.9 If a death occurs to one or more of the owners of a joint account, BlueChipTrades shall be notified in writing and shown proof of a death certificate. All expenses due at the date of notification shall be charged to the account.
- 5.10 Up to the time valid written notification is provided to BlueChipTrades, each owner of a joint account is presumed to have an equal share in the joint account.

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## 5. APPROPRIATENESS OF TRADING

- 6.1 Although BlueChipTrades issues general market recommendations, these should not be construed as personal recommendations or advice to trade with BlueChipTrades. As such we are under no obligation to assess the suitability or otherwise of the Customer trading Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting with BlueChipTrades.
- 6.2 All trades entered into by Customer represent an independent decision by the Customer to trade with BlueChipTrades.
- 6.3 However, where the Customer decides to trade with BlueChipTrades we are required to assess your knowledge and experience of trading Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting in order to determine the appropriateness of trading with respect to the financial instruments which BlueChipTrades provides. This information is captured on our application form.
- 6.4 If we consider on the basis of the information that you provide that trading in the contracts we offer is not appropriate for you, we shall warn you of this. Any such warning is not intended as investment advice and must not be relied upon as such.
- 6.5 Our obligation is to assess your knowledge and experience and not to assess the suitability of a given investment in your circumstances.
- 6.6 In some cases, if we consider that it is not in your best interests, we shall not be obliged to proceed with a transaction.
- 6.7 All trading is done subject to the Trading Conditions detailed on the BlueChipTrades website.

## 6. GOVERNMENTAL COUNTER PARTY INSTITUTION AND INTERBANKING SYSTEM RULES

- 7.1 All transactions under this Agreement shall be made in accordance with usage, rulings and interpretations of the counter party institution or other interbank market (and its clearing organization, if any) and with all applicable laws and regulations.
- 7.2 If any statute shall hereafter be enacted or any rule or regulation shall hereafter be adopted by any governmental authority, or a contract market or clearing organization which shall be binding upon BlueChipTrades and shall affect in any manner or be inconsistent with any of the provisions hereof, the affected provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed modified or superseded, as the case

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may be, by the applicable provisions of such statute, rule or regulation, and all other provisions of this Agreement and provisions so modified shall in all respects continue in full force and effect.

7.3 Customer acknowledges that all transactions under this Agreement are subject to the aforementioned regulatory requirements and Customer shall not thereby be given any independent legal or contractual rights with respect to such requirements.

### 7. MARGINS AND DEPOSIT REQUIREMENTS

8.1 Customer shall provide to and maintain with BlueChipTrades margin in such amounts and in such forms as BlueChipTrades, in its sole discretion, may require.

8.2 Such margin requirements may be greater or less than margins required by those banks or brokers with which trades are executed.

8.3 BlueChipTrades may change margin requirements at any time.

8.4 Customer agrees to deposit by immediate wire transfer, or other payment method acceptable to BlueChipTrades, such additional margin when and as required by BlueChipTrades and will promptly meet all margin calls in such mode of transmission as BlueChipTrades in its sole discretion designates.

8.5 BlueChipTrades may at any time proceed to liquidate Customer's account and any failure by BlueChipTrades to enforce its rights hereunder shall not be deemed a waiver by BlueChipTrades to enforce its rights thereafter.

8.6 BlueChipTrades retains the right to limit the amount and/or total number of open positions which Customer may acquire or maintain at BlueChipTrades, and to increase margin requirements in advance of earnings or other news or events, with or without notice, either before such events or retroactively or at any other time that it deems at its sole discretion.

8.7 Orders must be placed allowing sufficient time to execute and to calculate margin requirements.

8.8 Profits deriving from a transaction shall be added to Customer's account as additional margin, as long as the transaction is open, and upon the closing of the transaction, as an addition to the available balance for withdrawal.

8.9 Losses deriving from a transaction shall be deducted from Customer's account.



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## 8. OPTIONS

- 9.1 Options are contracts that give the buyer the right, but not the obligation, to buy (in the case of a Call Option) or to sell (in the case of a Put Option) a specified FX/CFD at a specified price (the "Strike") at a specified time and date (the "Expiration"), from or to the seller of the option. These are commonly known as European style vanilla options.
- 9.2 The proceeds of the purchase or sale of an Option (the "Cost", or "Premium") will be immediately debited or credited to the cash balance of the account. At Expiration, Options that are in the money will be automatically closed out at intrinsic value, that is, in the case of Call Options, the amount by which the closing price of the specified FX/CFD exceeds the strike price, and in the case of Put Options, the amount by which the Strike exceeds the closing price of the specified FX/CFD. For long Call and short Put positions, the closing price will be the prevailing bid price of the underlying FX/CFD at Expiration; and for short Call and long Put positions, the closing price will be the prevailing ask (offer) price of the underlying FX/CFD, as determined by Ava in its sole discretion. Options that are not in the money will expire worthless.
- 9.3 The Customer acknowledges, recognizes and accepts that BlueChipTrades quotes variable spreads on Options. The Client is specifically made aware that variable option spreads are affected by actual market conditions, which are beyond BlueChipTrades's control. BlueChipTrades does not guarantee any maximum or minimum quotable option spreads. There may be times when Options quotes are not available in some underlying FX/CFDs.
- 9.4 We allow you to perform various transactions, including in respect of options based on various indices that shall be defined by us from time to time (for example, index rates and stock and option rates), and to receive financial information and various other services as we shall determine in our sole discretion. Prior to effecting any transaction, we advise you to read the explanations that may be found on the website regarding each type of transaction. The rules of trade are set exclusively by AVA.
- 9.5 We will make available, by posting on [www.Bluechiptrades.com](http://www.Bluechiptrades.com), the current price applicable to a share or index, and offer you the opportunity to submit a put or call position in respect of such share. Each position shall be for a specified expiry time. We expect that the current prices will be reasonably related to the actual prices of such shares available in the market. We make no warranty, express or implied, that the quoted prices represent prevailing quoted prices.

## 9. BLUECHIPTRADES PROTECT

- 10.1 BlueChipTrades Protect is a risk management tool that offers protection against losses on a specific position for a chosen time frame in exchange for a fee paid at the time of purchase.

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10.2 Customers may be offered BlueChipTrades Protect at the time of opening positions, and at other times.

10.3 BlueChipTrades Protect is only available via BlueChipTrades GO.

10.4 Each BlueChipTrades Protect contract relates to a specific position (the "covered position") and is not transferable to other positions.

10.5 Each BlueChipTrades Protect contract has a fixed Expiration Date and Time, or Term.

10.6 The fee paid for BlueChipTrades Protect is based on the expected volatility of the underlying position over the period of the contract.

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10.7 Fees paid for BlueChipTrades Protect are deducted from an account's free cash balance at the time of purchase.

10.8 The fee paid for BlueChipTrades Protect is non-refundable.

10.9 BlueChipTrades Protect does not refund any overnight interest costs, commissions, or other fees if applicable. 10.10 If a customer purchases an BlueChipTrades Protect contract for a position, then

10.10.1 If the customer realizes losses on a covered position prior to the BlueChipTrades Protect Expiration date and time for any reason, including Stop Loss, BlueChipTrades will credit the account with the loss.

10.10.2 If the customer has unrealized losses on a covered position as of the time the BlueChipTrades Protect Expiration date and time, BlueChipTrades will credit the account with that unrealized loss, based on the prevailing market price of replacing the protected position, in BlueChipTrades's sole discretion. No action is required by the customer on the Expiration of BlueChipTrades Protect to receive this credit, and the position remains open.

10.11 For the avoidance of doubt, BlueChipTrades will return realized losses on covered positions to accounts before any Negative Balance Protection is applied.

10.12 BlueChipTrades Protect contracts have no value after the protected position is closed or after the Expiration date and time, whichever occurs first.

10.13 BlueChipTrades Protect contracts have no impact on required margin, and accounts do not reflect any potential unrealized value of BlueChipTrades Protect contracts.

10.14 Customers are always required to maintain adequate margin or positions may be closed.

## 10. CUSTOMER ASSETS

11.1 Customer funds will be held in accordance with the 'Client Asset Requirements' issued by the Central Bank.

11.2 Interest is not payable by BlueChipTrades on client funds deposited by Customer.

11.3 All funds, securities, currencies, and other property of Customer which BlueChipTrades or its affiliates may at any time be carrying for Customer (either individually, jointly with others, or as a guarantor of the account of any other person,) or which may at any time be in its possession or control or carried on its books for any purpose, including safekeeping, are to be held by BlueChipTrades as security and subject to a general lien and right of set-off for liabilities of Customer to BlueChipTrades

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whether or not BlueChipTrades has made advances in connection with such securities, commodities, currencies or other property, and irrespective of the number of accounts Customer may have with BlueChipTrades.

- 11.4 BlueChipTrades may in its discretion, at any time and from time to time, without notice to Customer, apply and/or transfer any or all funds or other property of Customer between any of Customer's accounts.
- 11.5 Customer hereby also grants to BlueChipTrades the right to pledge, re-pledge, hypothecate, invest or loan, either separately or with the property of other Customers, to itself as broker or to others, any securities or other property of Customer held by BlueChipTrades as margin or security.
- 11.6 BlueChipTrades shall at no time be required to deliver to Customer the identical property delivered to or purchased by BlueChipTrades for any account of Customer.
- 11.7 This authorization shall apply to all accounts carried by BlueChipTrades for Customer and shall remain in full force until all accounts are fully paid for by Customer or notice of revocation is sent by BlueChipTrades from its home office.
- 11.8 Any failure by BlueChipTrades to enforce its rights hereunder shall not be deemed a future waiver of such rights by BlueChipTrades.
- 11.9 BlueChipTrades is irrevocably appointed as attorney in-fact for Customer and is authorized, without notice to Customer, to execute and deliver any documents, give any notice and to take any actions on behalf of Customer, including the execution, delivery and filing of financing statements, that BlueChipTrades deems necessary or desirable to evidence or to protect BlueChipTrades's interest with respect to any collateral.
- 11.10 In the event that the collateral deemed acceptable to BlueChipTrades is at any time insufficient to satisfy Customer's indebtedness or other obligations to Ava, including obligations to provide margin hereunder, Customer shall promptly pay upon demand the entire amount of such deficit.
- 11.11 Client Assets held within and outside Ireland:
- 11.11.1 Any funds received by BlueChipTrades from Customer will be deposited in a client account with one of its appointed credit institutions within the E.U.
- 11.11.2 Our appointed credit institutions have confirmed to us in writing that they will designate accounts in such a way that sufficiently distinguishes the client account from any account containing funds belonging to the firm.

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11.11.3 BlueChipTrades's approved credit institutions have also confirmed in writing that they will provide daily statements in respect of client funds held.

11.11.4 Please be aware that the legal and regulatory regime of our approved credit institutions outside Ireland with which we place client funds are different to the laws applicable in Ireland.

11.11.5 Accordingly, in the event of default of the applicable credit institutions, client funds may be treated differently than they would be in Ireland.

11.11.6 By accepting these terms and conditions Customer hereby consents to client funds being held with credit institutions outside of Ireland.

### 11.12 Pooling:

11.12.1 Assets are held with our appointed credit institutions in a pooled client account.

11.12.2 A pooled client account is an account containing the funds of multiple clients and, therefore, the assets of one client are not physically segregated from those of another.

11.12.3 In the event of default by one of our appointed credit institutions, such a designation may prevent or delay our ability to control your assets.

11.12.4 BlueChipTrades performs daily reconciliations between pooled client funds and our internal records.

11.12.5 By accepting these terms and conditions Customer hereby consents to client funds being held in pooled accounts including our appointed credit institutions outside Ireland.

### 11.13 Default of Credit Institution and Monitoring:

11.13.1 In the event of default of one of our appointed credit institutions, BlueChipTrades does not accept responsibility and is not subject to any liability arising from losses to clients arising from such a default.

11.13.2 However, we conduct appropriate and continuing risk assessment of our appointed credit institutions in order to ensure that our appointed credit institutions are safe repositories.

11.13.3 We will supply the details of our appointed credit institutions on request to retail clients, including the names of those institutions and the client account details.

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11.13.4 Where Customer does not wish BlueChipTrades to deposit funds with a particular credit institution we will return such funds to Customer as soon as possible.

## 11.14 Compensation:

11.14.1 BlueChipTrades is a member of the Investor Compensation Scheme, established under Irish law.

11.14.2 In the event that BlueChipTrades is unable to return money owed to clients, certain 'eligible investors' will be entitled to receive a portion of the moneys owed provided the loss is recognized by the Investor Compensation Scheme.

11.14.3 For the purposes of the scheme, retail clients will be eligible investors and will be entitled to compensation.

11.14.4 The amount which a retail client will be entitled to receive is the smaller amount of 90% of funds owed or €20,000.

11.14.5 However, please be aware that in the event that you request to be treated as a professional client and BlueChipTrades agrees, you will no longer be an 'eligible investor' for the purpose of the scheme and will not be entitled to compensation in the event of default by BlueChipTrades.

11.15 Pursuant to section 11.5 Customers trading on the AVA Direct platform agree to the transfer of full ownership of funds to BlueChipTrades for the purpose of securing or otherwise covering a required margin and as such the required margin will no longer be treated as belonging to the Customer. BlueChipTrades will deposit the required margin as collateral with its liquidity provider(s). These funds will not be registered in the customer's name. Funds deposited by the Customer in excess of the required margin will be treated as client funds in accordance with the Client Asset Requirements.

## 11. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

12.1 BlueChipTrades is required to maintain and operate effective organisational and administrative controls to take all reasonable steps to identify, manage, disclose and record conflicts of interest. In order to achieve this BlueChipTrades has established and implemented a Conflicts of Interest policy.

12.2 Where arrangements made by BlueChipTrades to manage conflicts of interest are insufficient to ensure, with reasonable confidence, that risks of damage to client interests will be prevented, BlueChipTrades shall clearly disclose to the client the general nature and the sources of the conflicts of interest before undertaking business on the client's behalf.

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## COMPLAINTS

- 13.1 In the event that you have any query and/or concern and/or issue and/or problem and/or reason to feel dissatisfied with any aspect of our service, in the first instance you should contact our customer services team, as the vast majority of issues can be dealt with at this level, via: <http://www.bluechiptrades.com/about-BlueChipTrades/contact-us>.
- 13.2 If our customer services team is unable to resolve the matter or you feel that our service has not met your expectations and you wish to raise this issue as a formal complaint, you must complete a Complaint Form, which is accessible in the legal documents section of our website. The completed Complaint Form accompanied by adequate supporting evidence (as necessary) must be submitted to [complaints@Bluechiptrades.com](mailto:complaints@Bluechiptrades.com) to be recorded as a formal complaint.
- 13.3 We will provide you with a regular written update on the progress of the investigation of the complaint at intervals of not greater than 20 business days;
- 13.4 We will attempt to investigate and resolve the complaint within 40 business days of having received the complaint;
- 13.5 Where the 40 business days have elapsed and the complaint is not resolved, we will inform you of the anticipated timeframe within which we hope to resolve the complaint.
- 13.6 Once an investigation of the complaint is completed, a Final Response shall be issued to the Client with the investigation's outcome(s) together with any required explanations and any remedy measures the Company intends to take.
- 13.7 A Complaint will be deemed as resolved or settled where the Company has sent in writing a Final Response to the Client.
- 13.8 If you do not feel that your complaint has been resolved satisfactorily you are then able to refer your complaint to the Financial Services and Pensions Ombudsman ("FSPO"). The FSPO is an independent organisation that was established to resolve disputes between financial institutions and their customers.

## 12. LIQUIDATION OF ACCOUNTS AND PAYMENT OF DEFICIT BALANCES

- 14.1 In the event of (a) the death or judicial declaration of incompetence of Customer; (b) the filing of a petition in bankruptcy, or a petition for the appointment of a receiver, or the institution of any insolvency or similar proceeding by or against Customer; (c) the filing of an attachment against any of Customer's accounts carried by BlueChipTrades, (d) insufficient margin, or BlueChipTrades's

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determination that any collateral deposited to protect one or more accounts of Customer is inadequate, regardless of current market quotations, to secure the account; (e) Customer's failure to provide us with any information requested pursuant to this agreement or any applicable law; or (f) any abuse of trading practices, manipulations and/or fraud by Customer or any other person authorized to use the account; or (g) any other circumstances or developments that we deem appropriate for its protection, and in BlueChipTrades's sole discretion, it may take one or more, or any portion of, the following actions:

- (i) Satisfy any obligation Customer may have to us, either directly or by way of guaranty of suretyship, out of any of Customer's funds or property in BlueChipTrades's custody or control;
- (ii) Sell any or purchase any or all Currency contracts, securities held or carried for Customer; and
- (iii) Cancel any or all outstanding orders or contracts, or any other commitments made on behalf of Customer.

14.2 Any of the above actions may be taken without demand for margin or additional margin, without prior notice of sale or purchase or other notice to Customer, Customer's personal representatives, heirs, executors, administrators, trustees, legatees or assigns and regardless of whether the ownership interest shall be solely Customer's or held jointly with others.

14.3 Prior demand or notice of sale or purchase shall not be considered a waiver of BlueChipTrades's right to sell or buy at any time in the future without demand or notice as provided above.

14.4 In liquidation of Customer's long or short positions, BlueChipTrades may, in its sole discretion, offset in the same settlement or it may initiate new long or short positions in order to establish a hedge which in BlueChipTrades's sole judgment may be advisable to protect or reduce existing positions in Customer's account.

14.5 Any sales or purchases hereunder may be made according to BlueChipTrades's judgment and at its discretion with any interbank or other exchange market where such business is then usually transacted or at a public auction or private sale, and BlueChipTrades may purchase the whole or any part thereof free from any right of redemption.

14.6 For Customer's protection, Equity or Net Liquidation Value of the Customer's trading account drops below the Minimum Margin Requirement, all of Customer's open transactions shall be automatically closed, whether at a loss or a profit.

14.6.1 For the BlueChipTrades and MetaTrader platforms, the Minimum Margin Requirement is equal to 50% of the Required Margin for Retail clients.



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- 14.6.2 For the BlueChipTrades and MetaTrader platforms, the Minimum Margin Requirement is equal to 10% of the Required Margin for Professional clients.
- 14.6.3 For the Ston Cross Web platform, the Minimum Margin Requirement is equal to 50% of Required Margin.
- 14.7 If the amount in Customer's trading account is less than zero, Customer shall promptly notify BlueChipTrades and BlueChipTrades shall nullify the account.
- 14.8 Neither BlueChipTrades nor any of its subsidiaries, affiliates or agents shall be responsible for any loss or damage caused due to closing of positions in accordance with the above.
- 14.9 We provide you with negative balance protection for your Account. This means that your losses can never exceed your Equity.

### 13. FEES/CHARGES

- 15.1 Fees arising out of BlueChipTrades providing services are outlined in the [Trading Conditions and Charges](#) page.
- 15.2 Customer is aware that a part of BlueChipTrades's revenues derives from the spread on each transaction. The spread is the difference between the bid & the ask price of the price quote on a transaction. The standard spreads for all instruments are listed on Trading Conditions & Charges link - <http://www.bluechiptrades.com/trading-info/trading-conditions>.
- 15.3 BlueChipTrades may increase or decrease spreads on any or all instruments, at its sole discretion, at any time without notification due to various mitigating factors – market sentiment, news times or announcements, trading volumes, market volatility and/or additional internal or external factors. This may be effected on an individual client basis or for all clients simultaneously.
- 15.4 Spreads may be increased where a third party inter alia – Affiliate, Introducing Broker, Marketing Partner, refer a Customer to BlueChipTrades. This additional spread may be transferred to the third party who referred the Customer as remuneration.
- 15.5 Where a customer requests a specific fee structure, a commission may be payable by Customer to open and close Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting positions. Such commission payable will be debited from Customer's account at the same time as BlueChipTrades opens or closes the relevant Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Bets.
- 15.6 Where we increase or introduce any new charges, we will post the changes on our website at least 7 days before they take effect.

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- 15.7 We may also charge for incidental banking-related fees such as wire charges for deposits/withdrawals and returned check fees.
- 15.8 In certain circumstances additional fees may include such things as statement charges, order cancellation charges, account transfer charges, telephone order charges or fees imposed by any interbank agency, bank, contract, market or other regulatory or self-regulatory organisations arising out of BlueChipTrades's provision of services hereunder.
- 15.9 Customer may incur additional fees for the purchase of optional, value added services we offer.
- 15.10 ROLLOVERS, OVERNIGHT INTEREST:
- 15.10.1 A daily financing charge may apply to each Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting open position at the closing of BlueChipTrades's trading day as regards that Forex, CFD, Options and Spread Bet.
- 15.10.2 If such financing charge is applicable, it will either be requested to be paid by Customer directly to BlueChipTrades or it will be paid by BlueChipTrades to Customer, depending on the type of Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting and the nature of the position Customer holds.
- 15.10.3 The method of calculation of the financing charge varies according to the type of Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting to which it applies. Moreover, the amount of the financing charge will vary as it is linked to current interest rates (such as LIBOR).
- 15.10.4 The financing charge will be credited or debited (as appropriate) to Customer's account on the next trading day following the day to which it relates.
- 15.10.5 BlueChipTrades reserves the right to change the method of calculating the financing charge, the financing rates and/or the types of Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting to which the financing charge applies.
- 15.10.6 For certain types of Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting, a commission is payable by Customer to open and close Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting positions. Such commission payable will be debited from Customer's account at the same time as BlueChipTrades opens or closes the relevant Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Bets.
- 15.10.7 Trades in CFDs and Spread Betting are linked to the market price of a certain base asset, including the market price of future contracts. A few days prior to the expiration date of the base asset to which the CFD and Spread Betting is linked, the base asset shall be replaced with another asset, and the quotation of the CFD and Spread Betting shall change accordingly.

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- 15.10.8 CFDs and Spread Betting does not have an expiration date.
- 15.10.9 Trades in CFDs and Spread Betting are continuous and the base assets to which they are linked vary from time to time.
- 15.10.10 BlueChipTrades reserves the right to determine the base asset to which CFDs and Spread Betting is linked, the date of replacement of the base asset, and the replacement conditions.
- 15.10.11 Following the replacement of the base asset, the quotation of the CFDs and Spread Betting shall be adjusted, and the Customer's account shall be credited or debited, as applicable, in accordance with the difference in quotations created due to the replacement of the base asset.
- 15.10.12 The difference in quotations between the base assets is affected by the difference in rates between selling and buying of such assets in the market, and therefore the revaluation of selling and buying transactions shall be in different values.
- 15.10.13 Customers will incur costs in relation to the Spread Cost in closing the Old contract and Opening the New Contract and a Standard Overnight Interest charge.
- 15.10.14 In most cases, the debits shall be higher than credits.
- 15.10.15 Any open transaction held by Customer at the end of the trading day as determined by BlueChipTrades or over the weekend, shall automatically be rolled over to the next business day so as to avoid an automatic close and physical settlement of the transaction.
- 15.10.16 Customer acknowledges that when rolling over such transactions to the next business day, overnight interest may be either added or subtracted from Customer's account with respect to such transaction.
- 15.10.17 The overnight interest amount shall be determined by BlueChipTrades from time to time, in BlueChipTrades's absolute discretion.
- 15.10.18 Customer hereby authorizes BlueChipTrades to add or subtract the overnight interest to or from Customer's account for any open transaction that have accrued overnight interest, in accordance with the applicable rate thereto, each day at the time of collection specified on the trading platform for each individual instrument, as applicable.
- 15.10.19 Full information related to applicable charges can be found at [Trading Conditions and Charges](#)

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## 14. COMMUNICATIONS, STATEMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS

- 16.1 Reports, statements, notices, trade confirmations, and any other communications will be posted online and may be transmitted to such address as Customer may from time to time designate in a written or electronic communication to BlueChipTrades.
- 16.2 Customer is responsible for alerting BlueChipTrades to any change in its e-mail address.
- 16.3 Communications are deemed received when made available to Customer by BlueChipTrades, regardless of whether Customer actually accessed the statement.
- 16.4 Customer will be able to generate daily, monthly and annual account statements detailing transaction activity, profit and loss statements, open positions, margin balances, account credits and debits.
- 16.5 Customer understands that it must carefully review the reports relating to Customer's trading posted online by BlueChipTrades.
- 16.6 Reports of the confirmation of orders and statements of accounts for Customer posted online by BlueChipTrades shall be deemed correct and shall be conclusive and binding upon Customer if not objected to within two business days of the posting online.
- 16.7 Objections may be made initially by email or by telephone, but must be confirmed thereafter in writing.
- 16.8 If Customer becomes aware of an error with respect to any report or statement, such as amounts erroneously credited to Customer, Customer shall immediately inform BlueChipTrades and is responsible to return such amount to BlueChipTrades, and if BlueChipTrades becomes aware of such occurrence, BlueChipTrades is expressly authorized to correct such error by correcting such report or statement, and, if applicable, treating this as a Deficit Balance.
- 16.9 Customer declares that by providing its registration data to BlueChipTrades it hereby consents to, BlueChipTrades, its subsidiaries, affiliates and agents sending, and Customer receiving, by means of telephone, facsimile, SMS or e-mail, communications containing content of a commercial nature relating to Customer's use of the trading platform, including information and offers from BlueChipTrades or third parties that BlueChipTrades believes Customer may find useful or interesting, such as newsletters, marketing or promotional materials.
- 16.10 Customer acknowledges that BlueChipTrades does not have to separately obtain Customer's prior consent (whether written or oral) before distributing such communications to Customer, provided that BlueChipTrades shall cease to distribute such communications should Customer notify BlueChipTrades in writing that Customer no longer desires to receive such commercial communication.

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- 16.11 Client statements can be generated by the client at any time on the on-line trading platform. These statements will record the time the order was executed and the balance of their account. Our internal records will state the time the order was requested from the client.
- 16.12 BlueChipTrades will also provide the client with a statement on an annual basis outlining the details of funds held by the firm for the client at end of the period covered by the statement. Statements will also show all charges applied during the period covered by the statement, if any.
- 16.13 Real time access to each client's account showing transactions, the time orders were filled and the balance on the client's account will also be available to customers.

### 15. DISCLAIMER OF WARRANTIES / LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

- 17.1 BlueChipTrades and/or any of its subsidiaries, affiliates or agents shall not be responsible for any loss or damage caused, directly or indirectly, by any events, actions or omissions beyond the control of BlueChipTrades including, without limitation, loss or damage resulting, directly or indirectly, from any delays or inaccuracies in the transmission of orders and/or information due to breakdown or failure of transmission or communication facilities, or electrical power outage.
- 17.2 Neither BlueChipTrades nor any of its subsidiaries, affiliates or agents warrants that the trading platform or any services provided (including Third Party Licenses) will be available without interruption or will be error free and such trading platform and services are being provided "AS IS" without any representation or warranty of any kind whatsoever except as otherwise set forth herein.
- 17.3 Under no circumstances shall BlueChipTrades or any of its subsidiaries, affiliates or agents be liable for any direct, indirect, punitive, incidental, special, or consequential damages that result from the use of, or inability to use, BlueChipTrades's trading platform or services (including Third Party Licenses) including but not limited to lost profits, loss of business, trading loss, loss of data or use of data, any unauthorized access to, alteration, theft or destruction of Customer's computers, computer systems, data files, programs or information, or costs of procurement of substitute goods or services.
- 17.4 Customer agrees that this section represents a reasonable allocation of risk, that this section is an essential element of this Agreement and that in its absence; the economic terms of this Agreement would be substantially different.
- 17.5 This limitation applies whether the alleged liability is based on contract, tort, negligence, strict liability, or any other basis, even if BlueChipTrades or any of its subsidiaries, affiliates or agents has been advised of the possibility of such damage.

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- 17.6 Neither BlueChipTrades nor any of its subsidiaries, affiliates or agents has liability or duty of indemnification related to unusable data, lost or corrupt Customer transactions or data, by whatever means, in whatever form.
- 17.7 This limitation of liability additionally eliminates any duty or liability on the part of BlueChipTrades or any of its subsidiaries, affiliates or agents related to unusable data, lost or corrupt Customer transactions or data, resulting in part or in whole from third-party software or networking goods or services or from internet related problems or from actions or events outside of BlueChipTrades's control.
- 17.8 BlueChipTrades and its subsidiaries, affiliates and agents disclaim any and all liability resulting from or related to any breach of internet security or disruption, distortions or delays of Customer's connections to the internet, due to any reason.
- 17.9 As OTC is not an exchange traded market, prices at which BlueChipTrades deals at or quotes may or may not be similar to prices at which other OTC market makers deal at or quote.
- 17.10 Should a quoting or execution error occur, which may include, but are not limited to, a mistype of a quote, a quote that is not representative of fair market prices, an erroneous price quote from a dealer or erroneous price quote due to failure of hardware, software or communication lines or systems or inaccurate external data feeds provided by third-party vendors, BlueChipTrades will not be liable for the resulting errors in account balances. Without derogating from the above, in the event that transactions shall be closed or opened based on the Erroneous Quote, BlueChipTrades's trading room attempts to recognize such event and to act promptly to reset such event. Customer acknowledges that the reset process may take time, during which Customer may not be able to use its trading account, and outstanding orders may not be executed.
- 17.11 In case BlueChipTrades will identify an erroneous quote or an outdated quote, it may offer the Customer an alternative quote or alternatively to continue the transaction, all at the sole discretion of BlueChipTrades.
- 17.12 Customer further acknowledges that Ava, its subsidiaries, affiliates and agents shall not be liable for any loss or damage caused due to or in connection with such reset process.
- 17.13 Third Party Licenses:
- 17.13.1 If any third party software is included within or embedded in the BlueChipTrades website or online trading platform, then such embedded third party software shall be provided subject to the terms of this Customer Agreement which apply to the online trading platform.

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17.13.2 Customer shall fully comply with terms of any Third Party Licenses that we provide from time to time.

17.13.3 We provide no express or implied warranty, indemnity or support for the Third Party Licenses, and will have no liability related thereto.

17.13.4 "Third Party Licenses" means licenses from third parties governing third party software embedded or used in the trading platform.

## 16. FOREX, CFDs, OPTIONS AND SPREAD BETTING FLUCTUATION RISK

18.1 If Customer directs BlueChipTrades to enter into any Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting transaction:

- (i) Any profit or loss arising as a result of a fluctuation in Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting will be entirely for Customer's account and risk;
- (ii) All initial and subsequent deposits for margin purposes shall be made in U.S. Dollars, EUROS, Great British Pounds or Japanese Yen in such amounts as BlueChipTrades may in its sole discretion require; and
- (iii) BlueChipTrades is authorized to convert funds in Customer's account for margin into and from such foreign currency at a rate of exchange determined by BlueChipTrades in its sole discretion on the basis of the then prevailing money market rates.

## 17. INDEMNIFICATION

19.1 Customer agrees to indemnify and hold BlueChipTrades, its subsidiaries, affiliates, agents, employees, agents, successors and assigns ("BlueChipTrades Indemnities") harmless from and against any and all liabilities, losses, damages, costs and expenses, including attorney's fees, incurred by any of BlueChipTrades indemnities arising out of Customer's failure to fully and timely perform Customer's obligations herein or under any Third Party License or should any of Customer's representations and warranties fail to be true and correct.

19.2 Customer also agrees to pay BlueChipTrades indemnities promptly all damages, costs and expenses, including attorney's fees, incurred in the enforcement of any of the provisions of this Agreement and any other agreements between BlueChipTrades and Customer.

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19.3 In addition to any limitations of liability specified elsewhere in this Agreement, BlueChipTrades indemnities shall not be held liable and are released from all claims and losses incurred in such regard if the claim or loss was caused or contributed to by:

- (i) The actions or omission to act on the part of Customer,
- (ii) Any act or omission by any person obtaining access to Customer's account, whether or not Customer has authorized such access or not,
- (iii) System malfunction, equipment failure (whether Customer's equipment or BlueChipTrades's equipment), system interruption or system unavailability,
- (iv) Delays, failure or errors in implementing any instruction,
- (v) Inaccurate or incomplete instructions received by BlueChipTrades's from Customer, or
- (vi) Any reliance or use by Customer or any other third party with access to Customer's account of any financial and market data, quotes, news, analyst opinions, research reports, graphs or any other data or information whatsoever available through the trading platform or any Third Party License, whether to complete a transaction on the trading platform or for any other purpose whatsoever.

19.4 BlueChipTrades shall be entitled to setoff Customer's liabilities under this section from Customer's account.

## 18. MARKET ABUSE AND MANIPULATION

### 20.1 PROHIBITION ON ARBITRAGE AND MANIPULATION

20.1.1 BlueChipTrades does not permit the practice of arbitrage when trading and strictly forbids any form of manipulation of its prices, execution, and platform or making transactions based on errors, omissions or misquotes on the BlueChipTrades platform.

20.1.2 Price latency, connectivity delays, and price feed errors sometimes create a situation where the prices displayed do not accurately reflect market rates. The concept of arbitrage and "scalping", or taking advantage of these Internet delays, cannot exist in an OTC market where the client is buying or selling directly from the market maker.

20.1.3 Any transactions that rely on price latency or price feed errors may be subject to intervention which includes the right to void any transactions which BlueChipTrades has determined to be a result of any of these practices, revocation of profits, widening of



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spreads, block of trading and any other necessary corrections or adjustments on the account without prior notice.

20.1.4 If BlueChipTrades suspects or has reason to believe that Customer has abused the terms and conditions by hedging positions internally (using other trading accounts held with BlueChipTrades) or externally (using other trading accounts held with other brokers), BlueChipTrades reserves the right to cancel any trades or profits associated with Customer's account(s).

## 20.2 MARKET ABUSE

20.2.1 BlueChipTrades may hedge our liability to you by opening analogous positions with other institutions or in the underlying market. The result of our doing this is that when you trade with us your trades can, through our hedging, exert a distorting influence on the underlying market for that index, in addition to the impact that it may have on our own prices. This creates a possibility of market abuse.

20.2.2 Customer represents and warrants, and agrees that each such representation and warranty is deemed repeated each time Customer opens or closes a position that:

(a) Customer will not place and has not placed a trade with us relating to a particular index or any other CFD price if to do so would result in Customer, or others with whom Customer is acting in concert together, having an exposure to the price of the underlying financial instrument which can create a situation of market abuse.

This exposure can be equal to or exceeding the amount of a declarable interest in the relevant financial instrument. For this purpose, the level of a declarable interest will be the prevailing level at the material time, set by law or by the stock exchange(s) or other exchange upon which the underlying financial instrument is traded; and

(b) Customer will not place and has not placed a trade with us in connection with:

(i) a placing, issue, distribution or other analogous event;

(ii) an offer, take over, merger or other analogous event; or

(iii) any other corporate finance style activity, in which Customer is involved or otherwise interested; and

(c) Customer will not place or close a position and Customer will not place an order that contravenes any primary or secondary legislation or other law

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against insider dealing or market manipulation. Customer agrees that BlueChipTrades may proceed on the basis that when Customer opens or closes a position or places an order on a share price, Customer may be treated as dealing in securities within the meaning of the relevant statutes or regulations.

- 20.2.3 In the event that (a) Customer places or closes any trade or places an order in breach of the representations and warranties given, or BlueChipTrades has reasonable grounds for suspecting that Customer may have done so, BlueChipTrades may at our absolute discretion and without being under any obligation to inform Customer of our reason for doing so close that trade and any other trade or trades that you may have open at the time, if applicable, and also at our absolute discretion cancel any trades or profits associated with Customer's account(s)
- 20.2.4 Customer acknowledges that trade are speculative arrangements and Customer agrees that Customer will not enter into any transactions with us in connection with any corporate finance style activity.
- 20.2.5 Customer acknowledges that it would be improper for Customer to deal in the underlying market if the sole purpose of such a transaction was to impact on our bid or offer prices, and Customer agrees not to conduct any such transactions.

## 19. EXECUTION OF ORDERS, STOP AND LIMITS

- 21.1 BlueChipTrades will use commercially reasonable efforts to complete all orders which it may, in its sole discretion, choose to accept in accordance with the oral or written or computer instructions of Customer.
- 21.2 BlueChipTrades reserves the right to refuse to accept any order.
- 21.3 BlueChipTrades may, at its sole discretion, allow Customer to specify a closing price for a transaction at the trading platform through a "Close at Loss" and "Close at Profit" order, subject always to the terms of this Agreement and any other terms and conditions BlueChipTrades may implement from time to time.
- 21.3.1 "Close at Loss" means an offer to close a transaction at a price determined in advance by Customer which, in the case of a transaction that is opened by offering to buy a specific number of a certain instrument, is lower than the opening transaction price, and in the case of a transaction that is opened by offering to sell a specific number of a certain instrument, is higher than the opening transaction price.

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- 21.3.2 "Close at Profit" means an offer to close a transaction at a price determined in advance by Customer which, in the case of a transaction that is opened by offering to buy a specific number of a certain instrument, is higher than the opening transaction price, and in the case of a transaction that is opened by offering to sell a specific number of a certain instrument, is lower than the opening transaction price.
- 21.4 Upon Customer's offer and BlueChipTrades's acceptance of an order, Customer hereby authorizes BlueChipTrades to close the transaction at the Close at Loss price or Close at Profit price, as applicable, and as agreed upon in the order, without further instruction from or notification to Customer.
- 21.5 BlueChipTrades may, in its sole discretion, close the transaction when the price quoted by BlueChipTrades on the trading platform equals the price accepted by BlueChipTrades for such an order.
- 21.6 Customer acknowledges and agrees that BlueChipTrades shall not be obligated to close a transaction which does not otherwise comply with any other limitations agreed upon with respect to such transaction.
- 21.7 Customer acknowledges and agrees that due to market volatility and factors beyond BlueChipTrades's control, BlueChipTrades cannot guarantee that a Close at Loss order will be executed at the level specified in Customer's order. In such an event, BlueChipTrades will close the transaction at the next best price.
- 21.7.1 Due to country specific regulations, French resident clients may choose a Limited Risk Account.
- 21.7.2 Limited Risk Account's Close at Loss orders will be guaranteed and cannot be moved further away from their original specified rate.
- 21.7.3 The maximum Close at Loss rate on Limited Risk Account will be determined by the capital investment per position.
- 21.8 If, before Customer's "Limit Order" offer to open or close a transaction is accepted by BlueChipTrades, BlueChipTrades's quote moves to Customer's advantage (for example, if the price goes down as Customer buys or the price goes up as Customer sells) Customer agrees that BlueChipTrades will execute the closing transaction at the Customer's specified price and not better. Customer agrees that BlueChipTrades can retain such price movement for its own account.
- 21.9 Customer is aware that a part of BlueChipTrades's revenues derives from the spreads on each transaction. The spread is the difference between the bid & the ask price of the price quote on a transaction. Therefore, in case the fair market price reduces BlueChipTrades's spread in a specific

transaction, BlueChipTrades may, at its sole discretion, choose not to execute such transaction, in which case BlueChipTrades may send Customer an amended quote for his consideration.  
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may complete a transaction at its sole discretion in case the fair market price does not affect BlueChipTrades's spread from the transaction and / or increases it.

### 20. RISK ACKNOWLEDGMENT

- 22.1 Customer acknowledges that investment in leveraged and non-leveraged transactions are speculative, involves a high degree of risk, and is appropriate only for persons who can assume risk of loss of their entire margin deposit.
- 22.2 Customer understands that because of the low margin normally required in OTC trading, price changes in OTC may result in significant losses.
- 22.3 Customer warrants that Customer is willing and able, financially and otherwise, to assume the risk of OTC trading, and in consideration of BlueChipTrades's carrying his/her account(s), Customer agrees not to hold BlueChipTrades and any of its subsidiaries, affiliates or agents responsible for any losses incurred by Customer.
- 22.4 Customer recognizes that guarantees of profit or freedom from loss are impossible in OTC trading.
- 22.5 Customer acknowledges that Customer has received no such guarantees from BlueChipTrades or from any of its representatives or any introducing agent or other entity with whom Customer is conducting his/her BlueChipTrades account and has not entered into this agreement in consideration of or in reliance upon any such guarantees or similar representations.
- 22.6 The high degree of leverage that is obtainable in the trading of Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting transactions can work against you as well as for you. Leverage can lead to large losses as well as gains.
- 22.7 CFDs are complex instruments and come with a high risk of losing money rapidly due to leverage. The current percentage of retail investor accounts who lose money when trading CFDs can be found on our homepage at any time You should consider whether you understand how CFDs work and whether you can afford to take the high risk of losing your money.
- 22.8 During times of extreme volatility it can be difficult or impossible to execute orders.

### 21. MARKET RECOMMENDATIONS AND INFORMATION

23.1 Customer acknowledges that:

- (i) Any market recommendations, signals and information communicated by any method of communication to Customer by BlueChipTrades and any of its subsidiaries, affiliates, agents

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or by any person within BlueChipTrades does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any OTC contract, and that BlueChipTrades does not provide investment advice

- (ii) Such recommendation and information, although generally based upon information obtained from sources believed by BlueChipTrades to be reliable, may be based solely on a broker's opinion and that such information may be incomplete and may be unverified, and
- (iii) BlueChipTrades makes no representation, warranty or guarantee as to, and shall not be responsible for, the accuracy or completeness of any information or market recommendation furnished to Customer and shall not be responsible for any loss or damage including without limitation any loss of margin or profits which may arise directly or indirectly from use or reliance on such recommendations or information.

23.2 Customer understands that Customer is solely responsible for assessing the merits and risks of any trade it may enter into with BlueChipTrades whether as a result of information provided by BlueChipTrades or otherwise.

23.3 Customer acknowledges that BlueChipTrades and/or its officers, directors, affiliates, associates, stockholders or representatives may have a position in or may intend to buy or sell Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Bets, which are the subject of market recommendations furnished to Customer, and that the market position of BlueChipTrades or any such officer, director, affiliate, associate, stockholder or representative may not be consistent with the recommendations furnished to Customer by BlueChipTrades.

23.4 Customer acknowledges that BlueChipTrades makes no representations concerning the tax implications or treatment of any trading activity.

## 22. CUSTOMER REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

24.1 Customer represents and warrants that:

- (i) if Customer is a natural person, Customer is of sound mind, legal age and legal competence
- (ii) if Customer is not a natural person,
  - a. Customer is duly organized and validly existing under the applicable laws of the jurisdiction of its organization;

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- b. Execution and delivery of this Agreement and all Contracts and other transactions contemplated hereunder and performance of all obligations contemplated under this Agreement and all other transactions contemplated hereunder have been duly authorised by Customer; and
  - c. Each person executing and delivering this Agreement and all other transactions contemplated hereunder on behalf of the Customer, has been duly authorised by Customer to do so.
- (iii) No person other than Customer has or will have an interest in Customer's account(s) and Customer has not granted and will not grant a security interest in Customer's account with BlueChipTrades (other than the security interest granted to BlueChipTrades hereunder) to any person without BlueChipTrades's prior written consent. Customer has full beneficial ownership of all collateral and will not grant any security interest in any collateral to any person (other than the security interest granted to BlueChipTrades hereunder) without BlueChipTrades's prior written consent; and,
  - (iv) Customer hereby warrants that regardless of any subsequent determination to the contrary, Customer is suitable to trade OTC; and,
  - (v) Customer is not now an employee of any exchange, any corporation in which any exchange owns a majority of the capital stock, any member of any exchange and/or firm registered on any exchange, or any bank, trust, or insurance company, and in the event that Customer becomes so employed, Customer will promptly notify us, at BlueChipTrades 's home office, in writing, of such employment; and,
  - (vi) Customer will execute and deliver all documents, give all notices, make all filings and take such other actions as BlueChipTrades, in its sole discretion, deems necessary or desirable to evidence or perfect any security interest in favor of BlueChipTrades or to protect BlueChipTrades's interests with respect to any Collateral; and,
  - (vii) Customer has read and understands the provisions contained in this Agreement, including, without limitation, BlueChipTrades's Risk Disclosure Statement, Order Execution Policy, Trading Conditions and Charges, Conflict of Interest Policy, Client Asset Key Information Document, Key Information Document and Privacy Statement; and
  - (viii) Customer will review this Agreement; and
  - (ix) Customer will not affect any transaction in Customer's account unless Customer understands this Agreement, and Customer agrees that in effecting any transaction it is

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deemed to represent that it has read and understands this Agreement as in effect at the time of such transaction; and

- (x) Customer agrees to, and shall at all times comply with all applicable laws, statutes and regulations and Customer hereby declares that the execution and delivery by Customer of this Agreement and all other transactions contemplated hereunder, and performance of all of Customer's obligations contemplated under this Agreement and any other transaction contemplated hereunder, will not violate any statute, rule, regulation, ordinance, charter, by-law or policy applicable to Customer. Customer may not use this account with BlueChipTrades for any illegal activity.
- (xi) Customer agreed that where we have provided you with a key information document in respect of any Transaction as required under the regulation on key information documents for packaged retail and insurance-based investment products (1286/2014), you agree to us providing you with such key information document on our website (you may request a paper copy of any key information document on our website) and that you have read the relevant key information document;

### 23. ISLAMIC ACCOUNTS

25.1 In the event that Customer, due to its observance of Islamic religious beliefs cannot receive or pay interest, Customer may elect to designate, in the manner provided by BlueChipTrades, its trading account to be an Islamic Account, which is not charged with, or entitled to, overnight interest and/or rollovers.

25.2 In the event that Customer designates its account as an Islamic account, Customer may not keep transactions in such account open for more than 2 days and may not otherwise abuse such benefit.

25.3 BlueChipTrades reserves the right to cancel the aforesaid benefit at any time and take any action necessary in BlueChipTrades's absolute discretion due to abuse of this benefit.

25.4 Such actions may include, without limitation, the designation of the Islamic Account as a regular account and retroactively effecting required adjustments (e.g., setting off amounts from the account equal to amounts paid by BlueChipTrades as interest), cancellation of transactions, and adjustment of account balances.

### 24. DISCLOSURE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION

26.1 The Customer represents and warrants that the financial information disclosed to us in his/its Application is an accurate representation of the Customer's current financial condition.



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26.2 The Customer represents and warrants that the Customer has very carefully considered the portion of the Customer's assets which the Customer considers to be risk capital.

26.3 The Customer recognizes that risk capital is the amount of money the Customer is willing to put at risk and the loss of it would not, in any way, change the Customer's lifestyle.

26.4 The Customer agrees to immediately inform us if the Customer's financial condition changes in such a way to reduce the Customer's net worth, liquid assets and/or risk capital.

### 25. NO SEPARATE AGREEMENTS

27.1 Customer acknowledges that Customer has no separate agreement with BlueChipTrades or any of its employees or agents regarding the trading in Customer's BlueChipTrades account, including any agreement to guarantee profits or limit losses in Customer's account.

27.2 Customer understands that Customer must authorize every transaction prior to its execution unless Customer has delegated discretion to another party by signing BlueChipTrades's limited trading authorization or as otherwise agreed in writing with BlueChipTrades, and any disputed transactions must be brought to the attention of BlueChipTrades's Compliance Officer at [compliance@Bluechiptrades.com](mailto:compliance@Bluechiptrades.com) pursuant to the notice requirements of this Customer Agreement.

27.3 Customer agrees to indemnify and hold BlueChipTrades and its subsidiaries, affiliates and agents harmless from all damages or liability resulting from Customer's failure to immediately notify BlueChipTrades's Compliance Officer of any of the occurrences referred to herein.

27.4 All notices required under this section shall be sent to BlueChipTrades at its home office.

### 26. AFFILIATE REFERRAL DISCLOSURE

28.1 BlueChipTrades LTD may engage with advertising affiliates/referrers/marketing partner ("Affiliate") who are wholly separate and independent from one another and from BlueChipTrades LTD. Any agreement between BlueChipTrades LTD and an Affiliate does not establish a joint venture or partnership and Affiliate is not an agent or employee of BlueChipTrades LTD.

28.1.1 BlueChipTrades LTD does not control, and cannot endorse or vouch for the accuracy or completeness of any information or advice Customer may have received or may receive in the future from BlueChipTrades LTD's Affiliates or from any other person not employed by, or

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acting on behalf of BlueChipTrades LTD, regarding the risks involved in the trading of Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting or the risks involved in such trading.

- 28.1.2 Since Affiliate is not an employee or agent of BlueChipTrades LTD, BlueChipTrades LTD does not endorse or vouch for the services provided by the Affiliate. It is the Customer's responsibility to perform necessary due diligence on the Affiliate prior to using any of their services.
- 28.1.3 Customer understands that in order to trade with BlueChipTrades the Customer must open an account directly with BlueChipTrades. BlueChipTrades makes available appropriate risk disclosure information to all Customers when they open accounts. Customers should read that information carefully and should not rely on any information to the contrary from any other source.
- 28.1.4 Customer acknowledges that no representations and/or warranties have been made by BlueChipTrades its servants or agents or any individual associated with BlueChipTrades regarding future profits or losses in Customer's account.
- 28.1.5 Customer understands that Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting trading is very risky, and that many people lose money trading and that all Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting trading, including trading done pursuant to a system, course, program, research or recommendations of an Affiliate, or any other third party involves a substantial risk of loss. In addition, Customer hereby acknowledges, agrees and understands that the use of a trading system, course, program, research or recommendations of an Affiliate, or any other third party will not necessarily result in profits, avoid losses or limit losses.
- 28.1.6 Because the risk factor is high in Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting trading, in case Client does not have the extra capital he can afford to lose, Client should consider carefully before trading.
- 28.1.7 Customer understands and acknowledges that BlueChipTrades LTD may remunerate an Affiliate for referring Customer to BlueChipTrades LTD and that such remuneration may be on a per-trade basis or other basis. Further, the Client has a right to be informed of the precise nature of such remuneration.
- 28.1.8 BlueChipTrades shall in no way be responsible for any loss to Customer resulting from Customer's use of any information or advice given by any third party including an Affiliate.

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## 27. TRADING AGENTS

29.1 Customer acknowledges that should Customer choose to grant trading authority or control over Customer's account to a third party ("Trading Agent"), whether on a discretionary or nondiscretionary basis, Customer does so at its own risk.

29.2 Customer acknowledges that BlueChipTrades its subsidiaries, affiliates or agents shall in no way be responsible for reviewing Customer's choice of such Trading Agent, or the actions taken by it, nor making any recommendations with respect thereto.

29.3 Customer acknowledges and understands:

- (i) That BlueChipTrades makes no warranties nor representations concerning any Trading Agent,
- (ii) That BlueChipTrades its subsidiaries, affiliates or agents shall not be responsible for any loss to Customer occasioned by the actions of the Trading Agent, and
- (iii) That BlueChipTrades does not, by implication or otherwise, endorse or approve of the operating methods of the Trading Agent.

29.4 If a Customer chooses to grant trading authority or control over Customer's account to a Trading Agent, Customer agrees to enter into a power of attorney agreement ('POA') with the Trading Agent to permit same, and to furnish the POA to BlueChipTrades.

29.5 Customer acknowledges that upon receipt of the POA, BlueChipTrades is authorised to follow the instructions of the Trading Agent in every respect until BlueChipTrades is notified in writing by the Customer that the POA is revoked or the POA has expired.

The Customer authorises BlueChipTrades to debit Customer's Account in accordance with the terms agreed between Customer and Trading Agent and which are set out in the POA.

29.6 Customer acknowledges that the Trading Agent and many third party vendors of trading systems, courses, programs, research or recommendations may not be regulated by a government agency. It is the Customer's responsibility to perform necessary due diligence on the Trading Agent prior to using any of their services and to satisfy themselves of its competence and/or suitability to the Customer.

29.7 Customer acknowledges that it or the Trading Agent may elect to use an automated trading system. Customer acknowledges that BlueChipTrades does not take any responsibility for any such system. The Customer is aware of the volume of trading and resulting commissions that such systems may generate and the impact that this may have on the performance of the Account

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Customer accepts the risks associated with the use of computers and data feed systems, which may include, but are not limited to, failure of hardware, software or communication lines or systems and/or inaccurate external data feeds provided by third-party vendors and the Customer further agrees to hold BlueChipTrades harmless from any losses in the Account associated with these risks. Customer acknowledges that neither BlueChipTrades nor any of its officers, directors, vendors, employees, agents, associated persons or BlueChipTrades personnel will be liable for any such breakdown or failure.

- 29.8 Customer understands that by using a Trading Agent or automated trading system, Customer may incur a mark-up, above and beyond the ordinary spread generally provided by BlueChipTrades. Details of any such mark up will be displayed in the spread on the client trading account using the automated system and/or provided in the agreement between the Trading Agent and Customer.
- 29.9 Customer acknowledges that any decisions or actions taken by the Trading Agent on Customer's behalf shall be deemed to have been taken by the Customer and any losses or gains generated by the Trading Agent's action shall be for the Customer's account.
- 29.10 Customer agrees to indemnify and hold Ava, harmless from and against all liabilities, losses, damages, cost and expenses, including attorney's fees that arise directly or indirectly from the Trading Agent's management of the account, including, without limitation all actions, instructions or omissions by the Trading Agent.
- 29.11 The Customer acknowledges that the risk factor in trading foreign exchange, commodities, futures, Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting is substantially high, and therefore the Customer further acknowledges that she/he should carefully consider trading through BlueChipTrades, whether through a Trading Agent or otherwise, if the Trader does not have capital she/he can afford to lose.

## 28. DISCLOSURE OF CUSTOMER INFORMATION

- 30.1 BlueChipTrades will not share or sell information regarding customers and/or prospective customers, except to its employees, agents, partners, and associates as required in the ordinary course of business, including, but not limited to, BlueChipTrades's banking or credit relationships, or to other persons as disclosed in BlueChipTrades's [Privacy Statement](#).
- 30.2 BlueChipTrades may also disclose to federal or state regulatory agencies and law enforcement authorities' information regarding Customer and Customer's transactions in response to a request for such information or in response to a court order or subpoena.
- 30.3 BlueChipTrades will share or sell statistical information without disclosing Customer's identity.

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- 30.4 BlueChipTrades is subject to reporting obligations under Article 9 of the European Market Infrastructure Regulation (“EMIR”) and is required to disclose Transaction data information including portfolio data, transaction value, collateral posted and the identity of the parties to all transactions. The disclosure shall be made to a trade repository, European Securities and Markets Authority (“ESMA”) and/or a delegated third party processor.
- 30.5 The Customer agrees to provide us with all information that we may reasonably request for the purpose of complying with our obligations under Applicable Regulations and that you consent for us to provide to any third party such information about you and your relationship with us pursuant to this Agreement (including but not limited to your Transactions or money on your account) as we consider, acting reasonably, appropriate or as required to comply with any Applicable Regulation or Term of this Agreement.
- 30.6 The trade repository or ESMA may pass such information to national supervisory authorities in countries where the data privacy laws do not afford the same protection as provided in Ireland.
- 30.7 If you are a legal entity, you agree that we may in certain circumstances obtain a Legal Entity Identifier (LEI) on your behalf. You agree that we may do so if we consider that it is necessary in order to allow you to enter into Transactions with us and that we may pass on to you any charge we incur to obtain a Legal Entity Identifier (LEI) on your behalf and to levy an administration charge to cover our costs in doing so. Please contact one of our employees for this information or visit our website

## 29. TERMINATION

- 31.1 This Agreement shall continue in effect until termination, and may be terminated by Customer at any time upon three days prior written notice (which may be by e-mail) when Customer has no Forex, CFDs, Options and Spread Betting position(s) and no liabilities held by or owed to BlueChipTrades upon the actual receipt by BlueChipTrades at its home office of written notice of termination, or at any time whatsoever by BlueChipTrades upon the transmittal of written notice of termination to Customer; provided, that such termination shall not affect any transactions previously entered into and shall not relieve either party of any obligations set out in this agreement nor shall it relieve Customer of any obligations arising out of any deficit balance.
- 31.2 Sections 14, 17, 19, 24, 31, 43 shall survive termination of this Agreement for any reason.

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## 30. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND CONFIDENTIALITY

- 32.1 All copyright, trademark, trade secret and other intellectual property rights and proprietary rights to the BlueChipTrades website in its totality, its contents and any related materials (“Ava IP”) shall remain at all times the sole and exclusive property of the BlueChipTrades LTD and its licensors and in the case of third party materials available on the BlueChipTrades web site to such third party and Customers shall have no right or interest in the BlueChipTrades LTD IP except for the right to access and use the BlueChipTrades LTD IP as specified herein.
- 32.2 Customer acknowledges that the BlueChipTrades LTD IP is confidential and has been developed through the expenditure of substantial skill, time, effort and money.
- 32.3 The Customer will protect the confidentiality of the BlueChipTrades LTD IP and not allow website access to any third party.
- 32.4 Customer will not publish, distribute, or otherwise make available to third parties any information derived from or relating to the BlueChipTrades LTD IP.
- 32.5 Customer will not copy, modify, de-compile, reverse engineer, or make derivative works of the BlueChipTrades LTD IP or in the manner in which it operates.
- 32.6 If Customer has comments on BlueChipTrades's services or ideas on how to improve them, Customer is welcome to contact BlueChipTrades. By doing so, Customer grants BlueChipTrades a perpetual, royalty-free, irrevocable, transferable license, with right of sublicense, to use and incorporate Customer's ideas or comments into the BlueChipTrades's services, and to otherwise exploit Customer's ideas and comments, in each case without payment of any compensation.

## 31. RECORDINGS

- 33.1 Customer agrees and acknowledges that all conversations regarding Customer's account(s) between Customer and BlueChipTrades personnel may be electronically recorded with or without the use of an automatic tone warning device.
- 33.2 Customer further agrees to the use by BlueChipTrades, its subsidiaries, affiliates and agents of such recordings and transcripts as it deems fit in connection with any dispute or legal proceeding that may arise.

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## 32. LEGAL RESTRICTIONS

- 34.1 Without limiting the foregoing, Customer understands that laws regarding financial contracts vary throughout the world, and it is Customer's obligation alone to ensure that Customer fully complies with any law, regulation or directive, relevant to Customer's country of residency with regards to the use of the Web site.
- 34.2 For avoidance of doubt, the ability to access BlueChipTrades's Web site does not necessarily mean that BlueChipTrades's services, and/or Customer's activities through it, are legal under the laws, regulations or directives relevant to Customer's country of residency.
- 34.3 This Web site does not constitute, and may not be used for the purposes of, an offer or solicitation to anyone in any jurisdiction in which such offer or solicitation is not authorised, or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such an offer or solicitation.
- 34.4 Access to this Web site, and the offering of financial contracts via this site, may be restricted in certain jurisdictions, and, accordingly, users accessing this site are required to inform themselves of, and to observe, such restrictions.

## 33. DECLARATION

- 35.1 By acceptance of this Agreement, Customer hereby declares that the moneys invested in Customer's account with BlueChipTrades do not originate from drug trafficking, abduction, or any other criminal activity.

## 34. TAX COLLECTION

- 36.1 Customer knows, understands and agrees that, in general, BlueChipTrades does not collect tax for any authority in any form or manner.
- 36.2 Without limiting the foregoing, it is Customer's obligation alone to calculate and pay all taxes applicable to you in Customer's country of residence, or otherwise arising as a result of Customer's trading activity from the use of the BlueChipTrades's services.
- 36.3 Without derogating from Customer's sole and entire responsibility to perform tax payments, Customer agrees that BlueChipTrades may deduct tax, as may be required by the applicable law, but is not obligated to do so, from the results of the activity with BlueChipTrades.

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36.4 Customer is aware that amounts that may be withdrawn by Customer from Customer's account are "gross amounts", from which the BlueChipTrades may deduct such taxes, and that Customer shall have no claim towards BlueChipTrades with regard to such deductions.

### 35. INACTIVITY AND ADMINISTRATION FEES

37.1 Customer acknowledges that the Customer's trading account may be subject to inactivity fees unless prohibited by law. After 3 consecutive months of non-use ("Inactivity Period"), and every successive Inactivity Period, an inactivity fee will be deducted from the value of the Customer's trading account. This fee is outlined below and subject to client relevant currency based account:

Inactivity Fee:

USD Account: \$50

EUR Account: €50

GBP Account: £50

Applicable fees are subject to change periodically.

37.2 Customer acknowledges that the Customer's trading account may be subject to an annual administration fee unless prohibited by law. After 12 consecutive months of non-use ("Annual Inactivity Period"), an administration fee will be deducted from the value of the Customer's trading account. This fee is outlined below and subject to client relevant currency based account: This is to offset the cost incurred in making the service available, even though it may not be used.

Administration Fee:

USD Account: \$100

EUR Account: €100

GBP Account: £100

Applicable fees are subject to change periodically.

### 36. ACCOUNT PROCEDURES - IDENTIFICATION

38.1 Customer acknowledges that applicable laws require financial institutions to obtain, verify, and record information identifying each person who opens an account.



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38.2 Customer further acknowledges that BlueChipTrades makes efforts to prevent fraud and to confirm Customer's identity.

38.3 Accordingly, Customer has provided BlueChipTrades, or shall provide BlueChipTrades promptly following the opening of the trading account, with certain identifying information and documents as shall be requested by BlueChipTrades, including a copy of Customer's ID, a copy of Customer's utility bill (e.g., phone bill, property tax bill), and copies of both sides of Customer's credit card (in the event deposit has been made through credit card).

38.4 Customer confirms that Customer has provided true, accurate, current and complete information during the registration process, and that Customer has not impersonated any person or entity, or misrepresented any affiliation with another person, entity or association, used false headers or otherwise concealed Customer's identity from BlueChipTrades for any purpose.

## 37. WITHDRAWAL AND DEPOSIT PROCEDURES

39.1 Customer further acknowledges and accepts BlueChipTrades's procedures with respect to withdrawals and deposits to accounts as set forth below:

- (i) Withdrawal orders: The provision of documentation as may be required from time to time by Anti Money Laundering regulations, credit card companies and BlueChipTrades, is a prerequisite, prior to the execution of a withdrawal order.
- (ii) Customer acknowledges that withdrawals may take longer than expected for numerous reasons, some in BlueChipTrades's control and some not.
- (iii) Credit card deposits may be, according to credit card companies' regulations, returned to the same credit card when a withdrawal is performed. A withdrawal to a bank account where initial deposits have been performed by credit cards will be executed back to credit card or to the bank account at BlueChipTrades's discretion. Withdrawals to bank account may take a longer time period, due to additional security procedures.
- (iv) Credit Card Deposits Variance: When choosing an account base currency other than USD, Customer's credit card may be debited sums which due to exchange rates and credit card companies' fees, may slightly vary from the initial sum that has been deposited by Customer in the account base currency. Customer hereby accepts that such variations may occur and hereby affirms that Customer shall not seek to object or charge this back.
- (v) When depositing by a Bank Transfer, as required by anti-money-laundering regulations, Customer is required to use a bank account, which is in Customer's country of residence and in Customer's name. Any withdrawal of funds, from Customer's BlueChipTrades account

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to a bank account, can only be refunded to the same bank account that the funds were originally received from.

- (vi) Alternative payment methods (internet payment vendors; money transfer services; etc.): when depositing funds using a facility other than credit cards and/or banks, you agree to, and acknowledge being bound by, the regulations and rules of such service, including, but not limited to, fees and other restrictions. BlueChipTrades, at its sole discretion, may execute withdrawals to a facility other than the facility used for the original deposit, in accordance with anti-money-laundering regulations.

### 38. STATEMENTS

40.1 Customer hereby consents to receive account statements and trade confirmations online.

40.2 BlueChipTrades will provide customer with password-protected access to online reports.

40.3 Customer will be able to generate Daily, Monthly and Annual account statements detailing transaction activity, profit and loss statements, open positions, margin balances, account credits and debits, etc.

40.4 Hard copies of Monthly customer statements are available upon request only and may incur an additional charge.

40.5 Statements are deemed received when made available to customer by BLUECHIPTRADES, regardless of whether the customer actually accessed the statement.

40.6 Customer is responsible for alerting BLUECHIPTRADES to any change in their e-mail address.

40.7 This consent shall be effective until revoked by customer in writing and received by BLUECHIPTRADES according to Section 16 of this customer agreement.

### 39. CONSENT TO ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE

41.1 By electronically signing BlueChipTrades's account agreement and related documents, Customer acknowledges receipt of the customer account letter, customer agreement and other documents contained as part of BlueChipTrades's electronic account package and Customer agrees to be bound by their terms and conditions.

41.2 In addition, by signing BlueChipTrades's account agreement and related documents, Customer is consenting to BlueChipTrades maintaining and Customer receiving electronic records of Customer's trades and accounts.

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### 40. CONSENT TO EXECUTION OF ORDERS OUTSIDE A REGULATED MARKET OR MTF

42.1 Customer hereby acknowledges and consents to BlueChipTrades executing orders over the counter and outside a regulated market or MTF.

### 41. WAIVER AND AMENDMENT

43.1 Customer understands, acknowledges and agrees that BlueChipTrades may amend or change this Agreement at any time.

43.2 BlueChipTrades will provide notice to Customer of any such amendment or change by posting the amendment or change on BlueChipTrades's website or by sending an e-mail message to Customer at least 7 days before it takes effect.

43.3 Customer agrees to be bound by the terms of such amendment or change on that date.

43.4 In the event that Customer objects to any such change or amendment, Customer agrees to liquidate Customer's open positions and instruct BlueChipTrades regarding the disposition of all assets in Customer's account within ten (10) business days after notice of the amendment or change has been posted on BlueChipTrades's website or otherwise notified Customer.

43.5 No waiver or amendment of this Agreement may be implied from any course of dealing between the parties or from any failure by BlueChipTrades or failure of BlueChipTrades's agents to assert its rights under this Agreement on any occasion or series of occasions.

43.6 No oral agreements or instructions to the contrary shall be recognized or enforceable.

### 42. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

44.1 This Agreement together with all references to BlueChipTrades's policies and procedures made in this Agreement, and together with the Risk Disclosure Statement, Order Execution Policy, Trading Conditions and Charges, Conflict of Interest Policy, Client Asset Key Information Document, Key Information Document and Privacy Statement embodies the entire agreement between BlueChipTrades and the Customer, superseding any and all prior written and oral agreements.

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## 43. ASSIGNMENT

45.1 Customer may not assign or transfer any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement to a third party without the prior written consent of BlueChipTrades. Any attempted assignment or transfer in violation of the foregoing will be void. BlueChipTrades may freely assign this Agreement.

## 44. GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION

46.1 This Agreement, the rights and obligations of the parties hereto, and any judicial or administrative action or proceeding arising directly or indirectly hereunder or in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby shall be governed by, construed and enforced in all respects in accordance with the laws of Ireland and BlueChipTrades and the customer hereby irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Irish Courts.

## 45. BINDING EFFECT

47.1 This Agreement shall be continuous and shall cover, individually and collectively, all accounts of Customer at any time opened or reopened with BlueChipTrades irrespective of any change or changes at any time in the personnel of BlueChipTrades or its successors, assigns, subsidiaries, affiliates or agents.

47.2 This Agreement including all authorizations, shall inure to the benefit of BlueChipTrades and its subsidiaries, affiliates, agents, successors and assigns, whether by merger, consolidation or otherwise, and shall be binding upon Customer and/or the estate, executor, trustees, administrators, legal representatives, successors and assigns of Customer.

47.3 Customer hereby ratifies all transactions with BlueChipTrades effected prior to the date of this Agreement, and agrees that the rights and obligations of Customer in respect thereto shall be governed by the terms of this Agreement.

**CUSTOMER ACKNOWLEDGES HAVING RECEIVED, READ AND UNDERSTOOD THE FOREGOING CUSTOMER AGREEMENT AND HEREBY AGREES TO BE BOUND BY ALL OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS HEREOF.**