

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

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Listing of Bitcoin Price Index Futures

Pursuant to the Advisory Notice <u>A23-008</u> published by Bourse de Montréal Inc., the Canadian Derivatives Clearing Corporation ("CDCC") wishes to inform Clearing Members that it will list its new Bitcoin Price Index Futures at the opening of trading at 9:30 am (ET) on **Tuesday, January 16, 2024**.

Beginning on Wednesday, January 17, 2024, and going forward, the below mentioned instrument classes will open at 8:00p.m (t-1) ET.

Please note that settlement will be in USD, and Clearing Members will require a US account for this purpose.

The Two (2) monthly contracts starting with the February 2024 expiry as well as intra-group strategies (calendar spreads) will be listed. The following futures contracts will be listed at the open of trading January 16, 2024:

- BTG24 contract month February 2024
- BTH24 contract month March 2024

Bitcoin Price Index Futures Symbol: BT

For further information, Clearing Members may contact the CDCC's Business Operations Department or direct email inquiries to cdcc-ops@tmx.com.

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