

## **“The Seaport Group Europe LLP” Pillar 3 Disclosure**

### **Disclosure Policy**

The Pillar 3 rules in BIPRU 11 set out the need for firms to have a formal disclosure policy. In accordance with the rules of the Financial Conduct Authority (“FCA”) The Seaport Group Europe LLP (the “Firm”) will disclose the information set out in BIPRU 11 (the Pillar 3 rule) on at least an annual basis. The Pillar 3 disclosure will be made Financial Statements. Where a Pillar 3 disclosure is not made by way of annual accounts or the Firm’s website, details of how to obtain the Pillar 3 disclosure shall be made in the annual accounts and contact details for the Compliance Officer.

The Firm may omit information it deems as immaterial, in accordance with the rules. Materiality is based on the criterion that the omission or misstatement of any information would be likely to change or influence the decision of a reader relying on that information. Accordingly where the Firm has considered an item to be immaterial it has not been disclosed.

In addition, if the required information is deemed to be proprietary or confidential then the Firm may take the decision to exclude it from the disclosure. In the Firm's view, proprietary information is that which, if it were shared, would undermine its competitive position. Information is considered to be confidential where there are obligations binding the Firm to confidentiality with our customers, suppliers or counterparties. Where information is omitted for either of these reasons this is stated in the relevant section of the disclosure, along with the jurisdiction.

### **Introduction**

The Firm is authorised and regulated by the FCA and as such is subject to minimum regulatory capital requirements. The Firm is categorised by the FCA, for capital purposes, as a limited licence firm. It is an investment management firm; it has no trading book exposures. The Firm is not required to prepare consolidated reporting for prudential purposes.

The FCA’s current prudential regime can be split into three “pillars”:

- Pillar 1 – prescribes the minimum capital requirements that authorised firms need to hold. This is the higher of €50k; quarter of the firms annual adjusted expenditure (the Fixed Overheads Requirement); or the sum of the firm’s prescribed Credit risk + Market risk.
- Pillar 2 – requires firms to analyse the risks to the business and then consider whether the risks are mitigated to an appropriate standard. If the firm feels that the risks are not adequately mitigated then they should allocate capital against those risk. Stress and

scenario tests are conducted to ensure that the processes, strategies and systems are comprehensive and robust and that the allocation of capital is sufficient.

- Pillar 3 - requires firms to develop a set of disclosures which will allow market participants to assess key information about the Firm's underlying risks, risk management controls and capital position.

The Fixed Overheads Requirement determines the Firm's Capital Resources Requirement.

The Firm is a Limited Liability Partnership and its capital arrangements are established in its Partnership deed. Its capital is summarised as follows:

	<u>£000's</u>
Members' capital	823
Revenue reserves	0
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Members' capital and other reserves	823
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The main features of the Firm's Capital Resources Requirement are as follows:

Capital Item	£'000s
<b>Tier 1</b>	
Permanent share capital	0
Eligible LLP member's capital	823
Externally verified interim net profits	0
<b>Total tier 2</b>	0
<b>Deductions from tier 1 and tier 2 capital</b>	0
<b>Total capital resources, net of deductions</b>	823

## Risk Management

Due to the size, nature, scale and complexity of the Firm, there is no independent risk management function. The Partners of the Firm determine the business strategy and risk appetite along with the risk management policies and procedures. An identification of risks to the Firm are considered and the Firm's resultant exposure is assessed after the application of both management and mitigation of these risks. Furthermore the Firm then conduct a series of stress tests and scenario analyses on these risks to determine the effect they would have on the firm.

If necessary the Firm would allocate extra capital to the relevant risk, as per the Pillar 2 requirement: this has not been deemed necessary. This process is conducted at Partners meetings

which are held on a regular basis and the relevant policies and procedures are updated where necessary.

The Partners have identified operational risk as the main area of risk to which the firm is exposed.

Operational risk is managed by a number of means, including monitoring and pre-matching trades to ensure they settle in a timely manner. Payments made by operational staff exceeding £1,000.00 require a second level of authorisation when using the Coutts online banking system.

The Firm has concluded that its Tier 1 capital is sufficient to cover its Pillar 1 and Pillar 2 requirements.