BGC Partners Secures Authorisation to Operate as an OTF and MTF under MiFID II

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Authorisation has been obtained from the UK's Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) to operate an Organised Trading Facility (OTF) at BGC Brokers LP, GFI Brokers Limited, GFI Securities Limited, and Sunrise Brokers LLP and to operate a Multilateral Trading Facility (MTF) at GFI Brokers Limited and GFI Securities Limited. Authorisation from the French Autorité des marchés financiers (AMF) has also been obtained to operate an Organised Trading Facility (OTF) at Aurel BGC SAS.

On this basis, the BGC Group and its family of companies can offer market participants the significant flexibility they require in choice of venue and execution method that best suits their needs.

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