# BGC Partners Launches its Swap Execution Facility

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NEW YORK, Oct. 2, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- BGC Partners, Inc. (NASDAQ: BGCP) ("the Company" or "BGC"), a leading global brokerage company servicing the wholesale financial and real estate markets, today announced that its subsidiary BGC Derivative Markets, L.P. has launched operations as a Swap Execution Facility, consistent with the derivatives trading regulations under the Dodd-Frank Act.

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"Today marks an important milestone as we enter a new era of derivatives transactions," said Shaun D. Lynn, President of BGC. "After extensive preparations for this day we are excited to offer our clients the opportunity to trade regulated swaps through BGC's Swap Execution Facility."

BGC's technology infrastructure includes fully-compliant execution methodologies such as anonymous Central Limit Order Book (CLOB), name disclosed Request for Quote (RFQ) system, Intra-day Electronic Auctions, Indications of Interest, and Voice Managed Orders for Blocks and Non-Blocks. Market participants will be able to utilize BGC's platform to segregate US person/non-US person transactions on both a graphical user interface (GUI) and application programming interface (API) via instrument choice and contra-counterparty filtering.

For more information about BGC's SEF please visit: http://www.bgcpartners.com/ products-and-services/SEF/

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technology solutions, market data, and analytics related to select financial instruments and markets. Through the Newmark Grubb Knight Frank brand, the Company offers a wide range of commercial real estate services, including leasing and corporate advisory, investment sales and financial services, consulting, project and development management, and property and facilities management.

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