



MarketAxess Announces Monthly Volume Statistics for September 2020

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NEW YORK, Oct. 05, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- MarketAxess Holdings Inc. (Nasdaq: MKTX), the operator of a leading electronic trading platform for fixed-income securities, and the provider of market data and post-trade services for the global fixed-income markets, today announced monthly trading volume for September 2020 of \$461.0 billion consisting of \$206.2 billion in credit volume and \$254.8 billion in rates volume.

The Company also reported preliminary variable transaction fees per million ("FPM") for the quarter ended September 30, 2020 of \$199 for U.S. high-grade, \$208 for other credit, \$204 for total credit and \$4.10 for rates. The FPM for the quarter ended September 30, 2020 are preliminary and may be revised in subsequent updates and public filings. The Company undertakes no obligation to update any fee information in future press releases.

Reported MarketAxess volume in all product categories includes only fully electronic trading volume. MarketAxess trading volumes, TRACE reported volumes and Trax® processed volumes are available on the Company's website at investor.marketaxess.com/volume.cfm.

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This press release may contain forward-looking statements, including statements about the outlook and prospects for Company and industry growth, as well as statements about the Company's future financial and operating performance. These and other statements that relate to future results and events are based on MarketAxess' current expectations. The Company's actual results in future periods may differ materially from those currently expected or desired because of a number of risks and uncertainties, including: risks relating to the COVID-19 pandemic, including the possible effects of the economic conditions worldwide resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic; global economic, political and market factors; the volatility of financial services markets generally; the level of trading volume transacted on the MarketAxess platform; the absolute level and direction of interest rates and the corresponding volatility in the corporate fixed-income market; the level and intensity of competition in the fixed-income electronic trading industry and the pricing pressures that may result; the variability of our growth rate; the rapidly evolving nature of the electronic financial services industry; our ability to introduce new fee plans and our clients' response; our exposure to risks resulting from non-performance by counterparties to transactions executed between our clients in which we act as an intermediary in matched principal trades; our dependence on our broker-dealer clients; the loss of any of our significant institutional investor clients; our ability to develop new products and offerings and the market's acceptance of those products; the effect of rapid market or technological changes on us and the users of our technology; our ability to successfully maintain the integrity of our trading platform and our response to system failures, capacity constraints and business interruptions; our vulnerability to cyber security risks; our ability to protect our intellectual property rights or technology and defend against intellectual property infringement or other claims; our ability to enter into strategic alliances and to acquire other businesses and successfully integrate them with our business; our ability to comply with new and existing laws, rules and regulations both domestically and internationally; our ability to maintain effective compliance and risk management methods; the strain of growth initiatives on management and other resources; our future capital needs and our ability to obtain capital when needed; limitations on our operating flexibility contained in our credit agreement; and other factors. The Company undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. More information about these and other factors affecting MarketAxess' business and prospects is contained in MarketAxess' periodic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission and can be accessed at www.marketaxess.com.

About MarketAxess

MarketAxess operates a leading, institutional electronic trading platform delivering expanded liquidity opportunities, improved execution quality and significant cost savings across global fixed-income markets. A global network of over 1,700 firms, including the world's leading asset managers and institutional broker-dealers, leverages MarketAxess' patented trading technology to efficiently trade bonds. MarketAxess' award-winning Open Trading™ marketplace is regarded as the preferred all-to-all trading solution in the global credit markets, creating a unique liquidity pool for a broad range of credit market participants. Drawing on its deep data and analytical resources, MarketAxess provides automated trading solutions, market data products and a range of pre- and post-trade services.

MarketAxess is headquartered in New York and has offices in London, Amsterdam, Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, Miami, San Francisco, São Paulo, Hong Kong and Singapore. For more information, please visit www.marketaxess.com.

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	Average Daily Volume			Total Trading Volume		
	Sep-20	Sep-19	% Change	Sep-20	Sep-19	% Change
	(\$ in millions)					
U.S High-Grade						
Fixed Rate	\$ 4,767	\$ 4,177	14.1%	\$ 100,103	\$ 83,541	19.8%
Floating Rate	165	258	-36.0%	3,471	5,169	-32.8%
Total U.S. High-Grade	4,932	4,435	11.2%	103,574	88,710	16.8%
Other Credit						
U.S. High-Yield	1,487	988	50.5%	31,222	19,763	58.0%
Emerging Markets	2,193	2,079	5.5%	46,058	41,570	10.8%
Eurobonds	1,096	1,038	5.6%	24,117	21,792	10.7%
Other Credit Products	58	39	48.7%	1,220	772	58.0%
Total Other Credit	4,834	4,144	16.7%	102,617	83,897	22.3%
Total Credit ¹	9,766	8,579	13.8%	206,191	172,607	19.5%
Rates						
U.S. Government Bonds ²	11,899	-	n/a	249,883	-	n/a
Agencies and Other Government Bonds ¹	233	176	32.4%	4,929	3,537	39.4%
Total Rates	12,132	176	NM	254,812	3,537	NM
Number of U.S. Trading Days ³	21	20				
Number of U.K. Trading Days ⁴	22	21				

NOTES:

¹ Consistent with FINRA TRACE reporting standards, both sides of trades are included in the Company's reported volumes when the Company executes trades on a matched principal basis between two counterparties.

² U.S. Government Bonds represent U.S. treasury volume traded through the MarketAxess Rates platform, formerly known as LiquidityEdge, which was acquired by the Company on November 1, 2019. Consistent with industry standards, U.S. Government Bond trades are single-counted.

³ The number of U.S. trading days is based on the SIFMA holiday recommendation calendar.

⁴ The number of U.K. trading days is based on the U.K. Bank holiday schedule.

**MarketAxess Holdings Inc.
Quarterly Volume Statistics**

	Average Daily Volume			Total Trading Volume		
	3Q20	3Q19	% Change	3Q20	3Q19	% Change
	(\$ in millions)					
U.S High-Grade						
Fixed Rate	\$ 4,622	\$ 3,829	20.7%	\$ 295,781	\$ 245,027	20.7%
Floating Rate	148	264	-44.0%	9,450	16,918	-44.1%
Total U.S. High-Grade	4,770	4,093	16.5%	305,231	261,945	16.5%
Other Credit						
U.S. High-Yield	1,387	953	45.5%	88,785	60,988	45.6%
Emerging Markets	2,023	2,057	-1.6%	129,475	131,616	-1.6%
Eurobonds	960	921	4.3%	62,423	59,846	4.3%
Other Credit Products	51	41	24.4%	3,237	2,647	22.3%
Total Other Credit	4,421	3,971	11.3%	283,920	255,097	11.3%
Total Credit ¹	9,191	8,064	14.0%	589,151	517,042	13.9%
Rates						
U.S. Government Bonds ²	11,651	-	n/a	745,692	-	n/a
Agencies and Other Government Bonds ¹	234	182	28.6%	14,984	11,661	28.5%
Total Rates	11,885	182	NM	760,676	11,661	NM

Number of U.S. Trading Days ³	64	64
Number of U.K. Trading Days ⁴	65	65

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