



Information Circular: Barclays Bank PLC

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Exchange-Traded Notes

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iPath S&P 500 Dynamic VIX ETN

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Information on the Notes

Barclays Bank PLC (the "Issuer") has issued iPath Exchange Traded Notes ("ETNs" or "Notes") linked to the performance of the S&P 500 Dynamic VIX Futures Total Return Index (the "Index"). The Notes were priced at \$50. The ETNs do not pay any interest during their term and do not guarantee any return of principal at maturity or upon redemption.

The return on the ETNs is linked to the performance of the Index. The Index seeks to provide investors with exposure to forward implied volatility by reflecting the outcomes of holding long and at times long and short positions in futures contracts on the CBOE Volatility Index (the "VIX Index"). The Index aims to react positively to overall increases in market volatility by allocating dynamically between two components: a short-term volatility component and a mid-term volatility component. The Index monitors the slope, or "steepness", of the implied volatility curve on a daily basis in order to gauge market expectations regarding future volatility and determines allocations in futures contracts on the VIX Index according to the slope of the implied volatility curve. The short-term volatility component of the Index is represented by the S&P 500 VIX Short-Term Futures Index Excess Return (the "Short-Term VIX Index"). The mid-term volatility component of the Index is represented by the S&P 500 VIX Mid-Term Futures™ Index Excess Return (the "Mid-Term VIX Index"). The Short-Term VIX Index seeks to model the excess return from a daily rolling long position in the first and second month VIX Index futures contracts, and the Mid-Term VIX Index seeks to model the excess return from a daily rolling long position in the fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh month VIX Index futures contracts.

If an investor holds his ETNs to maturity, he will receive a cash payment per ETN equal to the closing indicative note value of the ETNs on the final valuation date for his ETNs.

The closing indicative value for each ETN on any given calendar day will be calculated in the following manner. The closing indicative value on the initial valuation date will equal \$50.00. On each subsequent calendar day until maturity or early redemption, the closing indicative value will equal (1) the closing indicative value on the immediately preceding calendar day times (2) the daily index factor on such calendar day (or, if such day is not an index business day, one) minus (3) the investor fee on such calendar day. An "index business day" is any

day on which (1) it is a business day in New York City and (2) the Chicago Board Options Exchange ("CBOE") is open. If the ETNs undergo a split or reverse split, the closing indicative value will be adjusted accordingly.

The daily index factor on any index business day will equal (1) the closing level of the Index on such index business day divided by (2) the closing level of the Index on the immediately preceding index business day.

The investor fee on the initial valuation date will equal zero. On each subsequent calendar day until maturity or early redemption, the investor fee will be equal to (1) 0.95% times (2) the closing indicative value on the immediately preceding calendar day times (3) the daily index factor on that day (or, if such day is not an index business day, one) divided by (4) 365. Because the investor fee is calculated and subtracted from the closing indicative value on a daily basis, the net effect of the fee accumulates over time and is subtracted at the rate of 0.95% per year.

Because the investor fee reduces the amount of your return at maturity or upon early redemption and the investor fee and the redemption charge reduce the amount of your return upon holder redemption, the level of the underlying Index will need to increase significantly in order for you to receive at least the principal amount of your investment at maturity or upon early redemption. If the increase in the level of the Index is insufficient to offset the negative effect of the investor fee (and, in the case of holder redemption, the redemption charge) or the level of the Index decreases, you will receive less than the principal amount of your investment at maturity or upon early redemption.

Please see the prospectus for the Notes for more details regarding the calculations and details regarding the Index.

It is expected that the market value of the Notes will depend substantially on the value of the Index and may be affected by a number of other interrelated factors including, among other things: the general level of interest rates, the volatility of the Index, the time remaining to maturity, the dividend yield of the stocks comprising the Index, and the credit ratings of the Issuer.

Trading in the Notes on NASDAQ is on a UTP basis and is subject to NASDAQ equity trading rules. Trading in the Notes on BX is on a UTP basis and is subject to BX equity trading rules. Trading in the Notes on PHLX's PSX system is on a UTP basis and is subject to PHLX rules. The Notes will trade on NASDAQ from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time. The Notes will trade on BX from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Eastern Time. The Notes will trade on PSX from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time. For trading during each market's pre-market and post-market sessions, market participants should note that additional risks may exist with respect to trading the Notes during these sessions, when the underlying index's value or similar value may not be disseminated.

NASDAQ will halt trading in the Notes in accordance with NASDAQ Rule 4120. BX will halt trading in the Notes in accordance with BX Equity Rule 4120. PHLX will halt trading in the Notes in accordance with PHLX Rule 3100. The grounds for a halt under each of these rules include a halt by the primary market because the value of the underlying index or a similar value is not being disseminated as required, or a halt for other regulatory reasons. In addition, NASDAQ, BX and PHLX will also stop trading the Notes if the primary market delists the Notes.

Trading of the Notes on NASDAQ is subject to the provisions of NASDAQ Rule 2310. Trading of the Notes on BX is subject to the provisions of BX Rule 2310. Members recommending transactions in the Notes to customers should make a determination that the securities are suitable for the customer. In addition, members must possess sufficient information to satisfy the “know your customer” obligation that is embedded in the NASDAQ Conduct Rules and BX Conduct Rules.

Members and member organizations recommending transactions in the Notes to customers should make a determination that the recommendation is suitable for the customer, as provided by PHLX Rule 763.

Nasdaq members, BX members and PHLX members and member organizations should also review NASD Notice to Members 03-71 for guidance on trading these products. The Notice reminds members of their obligations to: (1) conduct adequate due diligence to understand the features of the product; (2) perform a reasonable-basis suitability analysis; (3) perform customer-specific suitability analysis in connection with any recommended transactions; (4) provide a balanced disclosure of both the risks and rewards associated with the particular product, especially when selling to retail investors; (5) implement appropriate internal controls; and (6) train registered persons regarding the features, risk and suitability of these products.

This Information Circular is not a statutory prospectus. NASDAQ members, BX members and PHLX members and member organizations should consult the registration statement or prospectus for the Notes for additional information.

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