

Standardization and the FIX Protocol: Establishing Standard Market Sources

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Why Are Standards Important?





What did Standards do for the Shipping Industry?

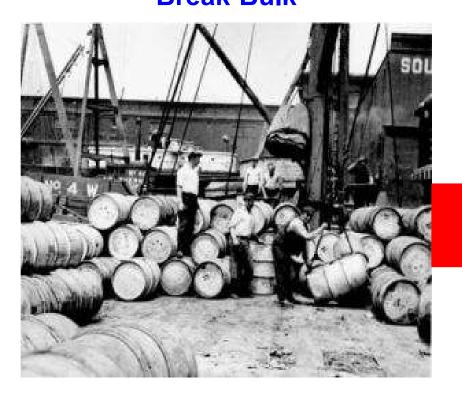




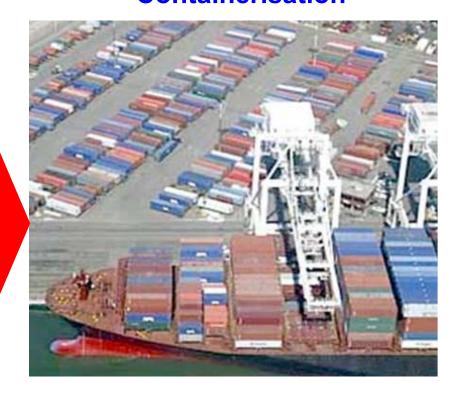


ISO Standards Streamlined the Shipping Industry

Break-Bulk



Containerisation





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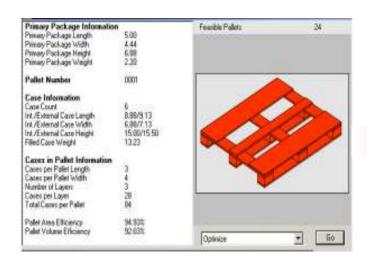
ISO Standards Reduced Shipping Industry Costs

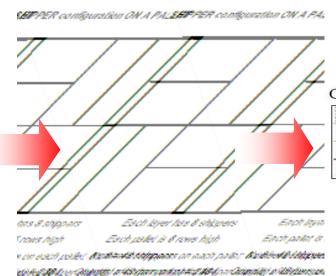
ISO Pallet sizes

ISO Carton sizes

ISO Container sizes

Mixed Master Label





Standards enabled <u>handling efficiencies</u>, <u>denser packing</u> ability, <u>integration between importers and exporters</u> and lower overall costs for handling goods.

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ISO Standards Enable Global Inter-Operability





The FIX protocol is an ISO Compliant Standard

Multiple standards exist within the financial messaging space, and to avoid confusion and potential replication in usage, as of May 2008:

• The financial messaging Investment roadmap provides market participants with a consistent and <u>clear direction to messaging standards</u> usage by visually mapping the industry standard protocols (FIX, ISO, and FpML) to the appropriate business processes across the major asset classes

FPL is in collaboration with:

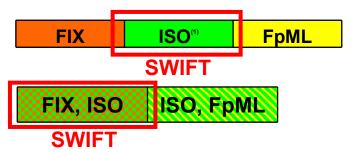
- ISDA (International Swaps and Derivatives Association),
- <u>SWIFT</u> (Society for Worldwide Inter-Bank Financial Telecommunication) &
- <u>ISITC</u> (International Securities Association for Institutional Trade Communication), developed a financial messaging Investment Roadmap.

This <u>collaboration lays the groundwork</u> for moving towards one common financial <u>messaging standard, ISO 20022</u>, while maintaining the existing independent syntaxes.



Investment Roadmap – FIX, ISO, FpML syntax

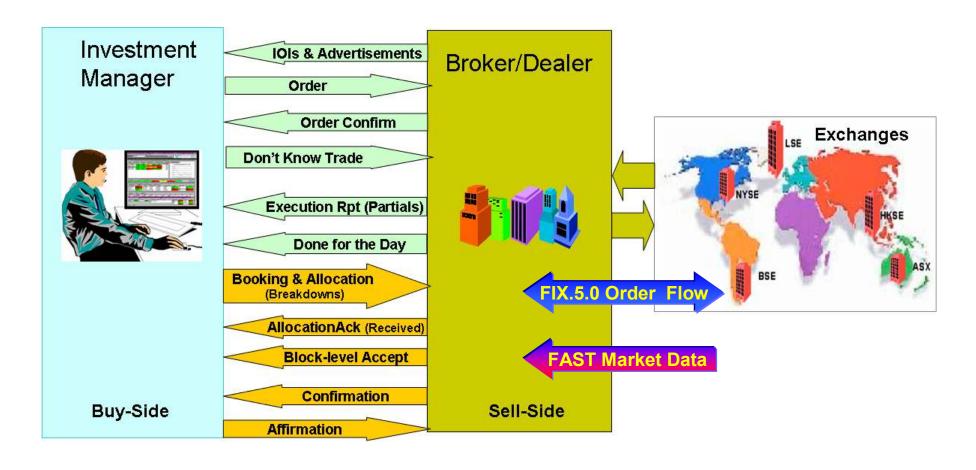
	Cash Equities & Fixed Income	Forex ⁽²⁾	Listed Derivatives	OTC Derivatives ⁽²⁾	Funds
Pre-Trade					
Trade					
Post-Trade					
Clearing / Pre-Settlement					
Asset Servicing		N/A			
Settlement					
Pricing / Risk / Reporting					



- (1) Represents ISO 20022, ISO 15022 and SWIFT MT messages
- (2) See OTC Derivatives breakout for details:
 - Syndicated Loans, Privately Negotiated FX, and OTC Equity, Interest Rate, Credit, and Commodity Derivatives
 - FpML payload may be used in combination with FIX business processes in dealer to buy side communication



The FIX protocol is an Industry Standard





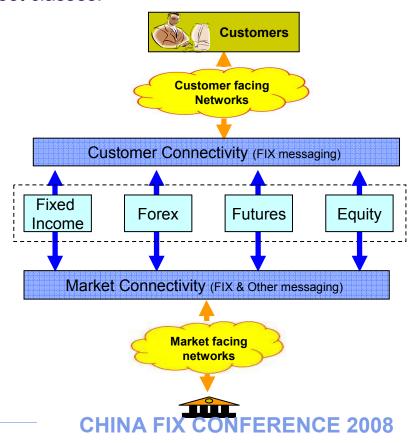
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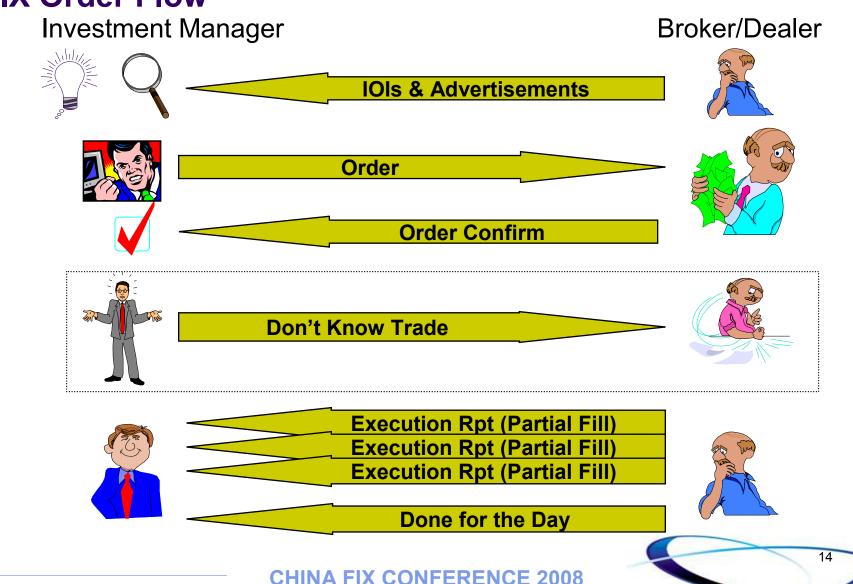
- The FIX Protocol is a **free and open messaging standard** that was developed in 1992 by Fidelity Investments & Salomon Brothers to facilitate a bi-lateral communications framework for Equities trading.
- Since its conception, its usage has significantly expanded in response to evolving industry needs and other asset classes.







FIX Order Flow

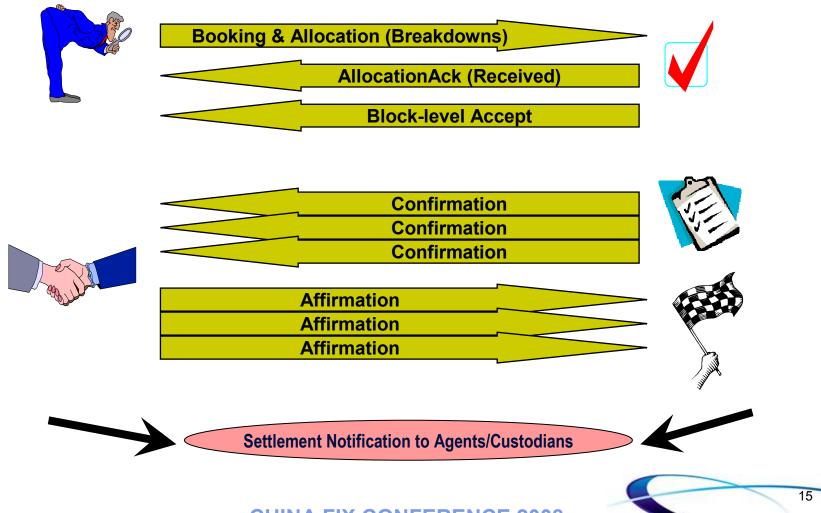




FIX Post-trade Flow

Investment Manager

Broker/Dealer





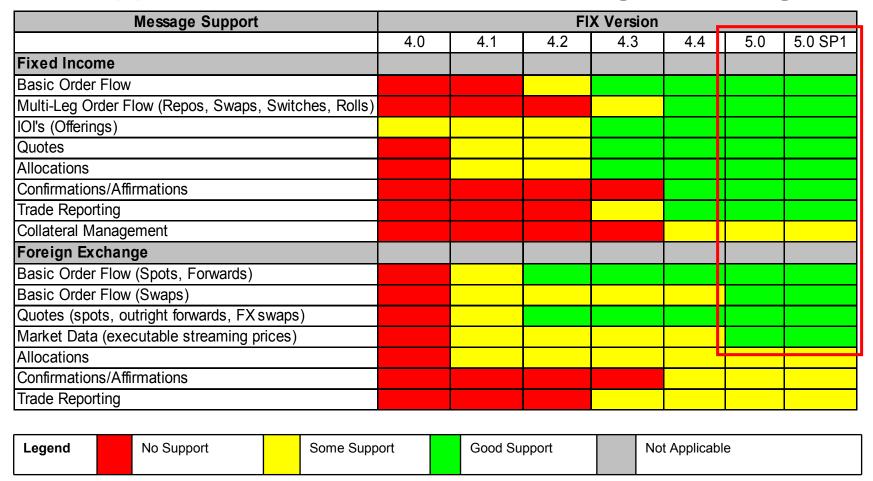
FIX Support for Equities and Derivatives



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FIX Support for Fixed Income and Foreign Exchange



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FIX Markets and General Support

Message 9	FIX Version								
			4.0	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.4	5.0	5.0 SP1
Exchanges and Markets									
Market Data (Including Price Dissemination)									
Reference Data (Instruments and Products)									
Market Structure									
Quote Driven Markets									
Order Driven Markets									
General									
News									
Email									
Transport Independence Framework									
Regulatory Compliance									
(MiFID, Reg NMS, Reg SHO, OATS, ACT, NYSE 80A)									
Legend No Supp	ort	Some Support		Good Support		1	Not Applicable		

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Who currently uses FIX?

Today, it is estimated that there are in excess of 10,000 organisations using the FIX protocol.

- Virtually <u>every major stock exchange</u> and investment bank
- The world's largest <u>mutual funds</u> and money managers
- Thousands of <u>smaller investment firms</u>
- Leading <u>futures exchanges</u> offer FIX connections
- Major bond dealers either have or are implementing FIX connections

Less than 5% of these organisations actually contribute towards the advancement and sponsorship of the FIX protocol.

Many use FIX without realizing it, Bloomberg terminals for instance.

Does your Organisation use FIX?





What Benefits Can be Achieved by Adoption of the FIX Protocol?





Benefits of Implementing the FIX Protocol

The key advantages that can be achieved include:

- A <u>reduction in the cost</u> and complexity of <u>integrating</u> various internal processes
- A reduction in the cost and complexity of <u>linking</u> to new trading partners
- A reduction in inputs (e.g. software and hardware) required to achieve automation, as a result of <u>economies of scale</u> or exploiting possibilities of infrastructure sharing
- An increase in the <u>quality of communication</u> between participants, as potential <u>errors</u> generated by manually re-keying information or those generated by using a translation engine are <u>reduced</u>





Source: Oxera

The Benefits of Standards

A summary of the types of benefits that can be achieved through the implementation of a standard and its network effects are demonstrated below:

Standard created Adoption increases the probability of uptake Network effect established

The benefits

Economies of scale

Provides a single framework around which products can be developed, leading to reduced costs for firms

Expanded trading possibilities

Increases the number of parties that can interact and hence increases trading possibilities

Indirect network effects

Increases resource flow to, and competition in, the markets for standard-related products

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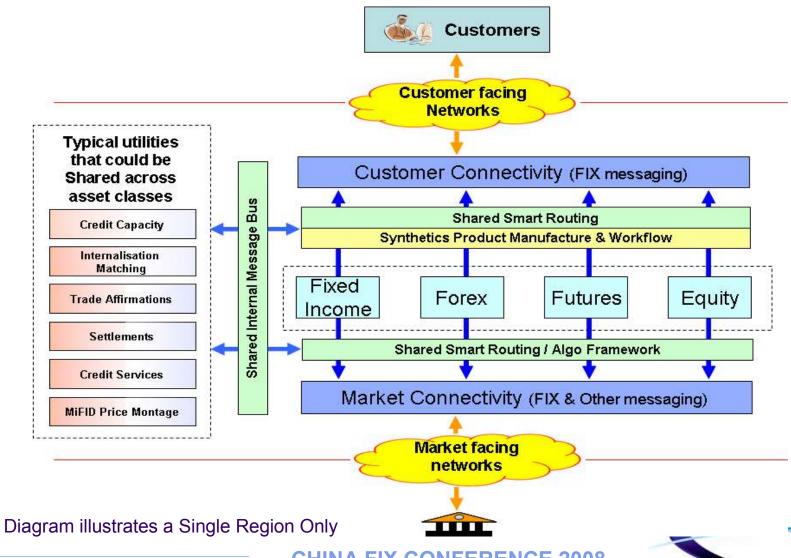
Interoperability between Markets

Adoption of the FIX protocol will result in higher levels of interoperability for the financial services community and will save firms the cost of maintaining multiple syntaxes within the same area of the transaction lifecycle.





Interoperability between Asset Classes





The Importance of Standards in Financial Messaging





Why are Standards Important within the Financial Messaging Sector

- If the Exchanges in China and Asia were to implement FIX 5.0 SP1, they would not only be rewarded with:
 - Backward compatibility with FIX 4.0, 4.1, 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4 versions,
 - Additional <u>flexibility</u> to create new products
 - Have a <u>competitive advantage</u> in Asia similar to the likes of the London Stock Exchange, Deutsche Bourse and Chicago
 Mercantile Exchange
 - Additional volumes in the longer term as more and more Brokers and Buy-side organisations adopt FIX
- The industry would benefit from <u>lower costs</u> which standards bring about as has been seen in other industries.





In Summary





Summary

The widespread adoption of FIX is:

- Making markets <u>more dynamic</u>
- Reducing costs to market participants and the prices charges (commissions / fees) of firms in the trading value chain
- Improving the overall efficiency of capital markets
- Lowering connectivity costs
- <u>Increasing competition</u> which is reducing brokerage execution commissions and trading platform fees
- Increasing the <u>scope and quality of services</u> provided, therefore impacting the level of activity, and liquidity in secondary markets, <u>reducing the indirect trading costs</u> facing investors
- <u>Making cross-border implementation a simpler</u> and more economical option

All of the above ultimately lowering the overall cost of investing and increasing the scope of services available to the end-investor!





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