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Investec Structured Products FTSE 100 Step Down Kick-Out Plan 17 (UK4 Option) Report 4540 ☑

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Dates

Opening date	18 Dec 2017	
ISA transfer date	12 Jan 2018	
Closing date	02 Feb 2018	
Strike date	12 Feb 2018	
Final market date	12 Feb 2024	
Report published	18 Dec 2017	

Terms

Investment Length	6 years
Product currency	GBP
Product type	Defensive Autocall
Vehicle	Plan
Capital	Atrisk
Aim	Growth
Asset style	Single
Provider	Investec Structured Products
Issuer	SG Issuer (multiple credit exposure)
Plan Manager	Investec Bank plc
Underlying Asset	FTSE 100 Index
Counterparty	Multiple Counterparties
Issuer credit rating	Aviva plc (S&P A-), Barclays Bank plc (S&P A), Lloyds Bank plc (S&P A), HSBC Bank plc (S&P AA-)
Credit rating band	Aband
Tax wrapper(s)	Direct investment, Stocks and shares ISA, ISA transfer, SIPP/SSAS, Trustees of a trust, Corporate/Commercial, Charities, Direct Investment (for Joint Accounts)
Min/Max Investment	Minimum: £3,000, maximum: £1,000,000. The overall ISA limit is £20,000 for the 2017/2018 tax year
ISIN	GB00BF6XDW00
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DESCRIPTION

Product features

Total of 5 autocall points

First autocall point after 2 years and then every year

Potential annual return of 5.75% p.a. (not compounded)

Autocall levels reduce by 5% each time

Defensive final autocall level of 80%

European barrier of 60%

Potential Returns:

This product is classified by FVC as a 'Defensive Autocall'.

If the FTSE 100 is above the required target level on any of the observation dates, the product will mature early returning the initial investment and pay a fixed return of 5.75% for each year the product has been in force. The first autocall opportunity is after 2 years. This product has multiple defensive levels down to 80%.

If for example, at the first autocall observation point (after 2 years) the FTSE 100 is above its strike level, the product will be called and make a final payment of 111.5% (including capital investment). If the product is not called at the first two opportunities but on the third autocall date (at 4 years) the FTSE 100 is above 90% of its strike level, the product will be called and make a final payment of 123% (including capital investment).

The full autocall schedule for this product is shown in figure 4.

The final level of the FTSE 100 is calculated as the average of its closing levels on the final 5 observation dates

Capital Repayment:

The product has a European barrier. This means that the barrier is observed at maturity only. The barrier is set at 60% of the strike level and will be breached if the final level of the underlying asset is below 60% of the strike level. If the FTSE 100 finishes below the European barrier of 60% on the final day of the investment some capital is lost.

If the product has not been called on any of the observation dates the repayment of capital will depend on whether or not the final level of the FTSE 100 is below the barrier level. If the FTSE 100 finishes between the barrier level and the final autocall level, the investor will be repaid 100% of their initial investment.

If the underlying asset finishes below the 60% barrier, the investor will be paid an amount equal to the final level of the underlying asset, with respect to its strike level. For example, if the final level of the FTSE 100 is 40% of its strike level and therefore the barrier is breached, the investor will be returned 40% of their capital investment.

Additional Information:

The direct credit risk of this plan is not dependent on the solvency of Societe Generale, but is diversified across the following four UK institutions: Aviva plc, Barclays Bank plc, HSBC Bank plc and Lloyds Bank plc. For precise details of the credit exposure of this product, please refer to the brochure.

If Societe Generale were to become insolvent, there is a collateralisation mechanism in this product designed to protect investors against loss to their investment. The collateral is maintained daily and will consist of cash and/or UK government debt. Usually, when providers refer to collateralisation, they will be collateralising their product with gilts or cash, as opposed to one or more different issuers.

On each observation date, the index reference level is calculated as the average of the index level on the observation date and the preceding four business days.

ASSESSMENT

Figure 1: Statistics

This figure shows some key statistics of the product and compares them to averages of other open products in the market. Full details of the methodology can be found here

The overall, price and return scores are expressed on a scale of 0-10 with 10 representing the most favourable. The price score is derived from our estimate of value for money while the return score gives an indication of risk-adjusted return prospects. The overall score is the average of the price and risk scores.

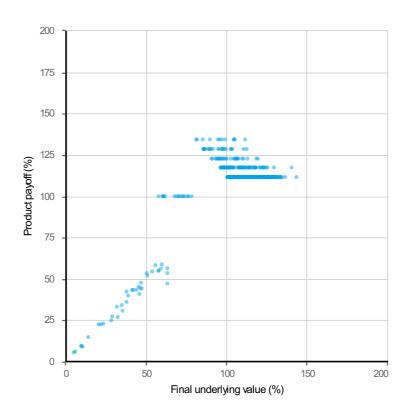
The riskmap is expressed on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 represents lowest risk and 10 the highest. It is calculated from contributions from market risk and credit risk which are shown separately. The maturity and duration (expected maturity) are also stated.

This report was published on 18 Dec 2017 and compiled in advance with data available to us at that time. It has not been updated since.

	This product	All products	All At risk
Overall score	7.54	7.23	7.19
Price score	8.06	7.73	7.69
Return score	7.02	6.73	6.68
Riskmap (0-10 scale)	3.43	2.60	3.02
Market riskmap	3.28	2.38	2.82
Credit riskmap	0.15	0.22	0.19
Maturity	6.00	5.92	6.32
Duration	2.99	3.14	2.93

Figure 2: Payoff chart

This chart shows a sample of simulated outcomes of the final underlying value and the product payoff for the structured product to help identify the risk and return prospects of the investment.



This chart plots the riskmap and overall score for all products on report centre, which shows all products listed on this site which are open for investment. The current product is shown with a diamond marker.

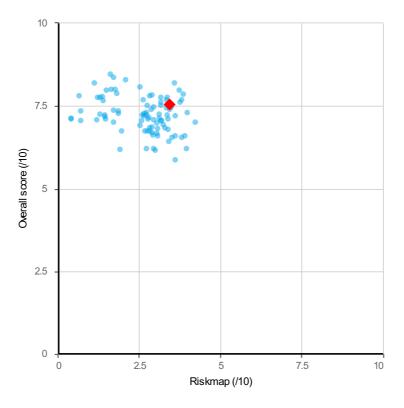


Figure 4: Investor results summary

Summary of possible product performances. Calculations from forward looking simulation and 10 year historical backtest (market risk only). This table shows a number of mutually exclusive outcomes of product performance classifications and associated statistics. All figures below are rounded.

Result	Investment length (years)	Average payoff (%)	Simulated probability (%)	Backtested frequency (%)
Autocall on 12 Feb 2020 if above 100%	2.00	111.50	59.85	69.26
Autocall on 12 Feb 2021 if above 95%	3.00	117.25	14.49	9.69
Autocall on 14 Feb 2022 if above 90%	4.00	123.00	6.84	13.69
Autocall on 13 Feb 2023 if above 85%	5.00	128.75	4.13	6.01
Autocall on 12 Feb 2024 if above 80%	6.00	134.50	2.97	1.34
Full capital return	6.00	100.00	3.84	0.00
Capital loss	6.00	37.57	7.88	0.00

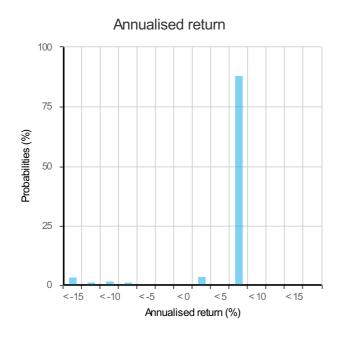
Figure 5: Prospects for return of capital

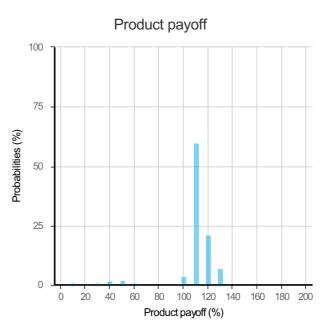
This figure shows prospects for return of capital, calculating whether the return might be greater than, equal to or lower than capital invested. These calculations use probabilities from forward looking simulations and the observed frequencies from a 10 year historical backtest.

Outcome	Simulated probability	Backtested frequency
Return less than capital	7.88	0.00
Return exactly capital	3.84	0.00
Return more than capital	88.28	100.00

Figure 6: Charts of product outcomes (annualised return and product payoff)

Charts of distribution of structured product returns based on forward looking simulation. The first chart shows the annualised return of the product in 2.5% buckets. The second chart shows the payoff of the product. Both of these charts are market risk only.





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