

Fund Connect®

Global online portal for ETFs

Fund Connect ETF - at a glance

Market positioning

- Fund Connect ETF is GlobalLink's market-leading portal for primary market ETF order management
- GlobalLink is State Street's award winning¹ suite of electronic trading platforms which provide ETF primary market flow, cash management, foreign exchange (FX) order execution, post-trading matching and settlement, and transaction cost analysis (TCA) technology. GlobalLink has existing connectivity to 500 buy-side institutions, 200 sell-side institutions, and 300 custodians

Proven track record

- Fund Connect ETF has been servicing clients globally since 2008
- Approximately ~100 Authorized
 Participants (APs), ~55 issuers, ~1200
 funds including spot crypto and futures based products, and more than 50
 end-to-end integrations
- Over 93,000 orders in 2023, US \$3.0T in notional volume²

Our mission:



Eliminate manual processes & risk

Provide robust technology solution for creation and redemption order management in the digital economy.

- Elimination of manual order forms, email, phone, fax
- Standardization across product types with the ability to support unique workflows
- Global operating model



Drive increased order flow

Scale processes for order placement and acceptance to drive increased flow into issuers' funds.

- Electronic connectivity options for order entry APIs
- Electronic feeds for order approval
- Comprehensive reporting suite



Achieve efficiencies of scale

Adopt and implement industry leading technology and best practices.

- Team of subject matter experts with decades of ETF industry experience
- Nearly 55 issuer clients from which to learn
- All major APs, more than 100 total, actively using the portal



Simplify client experience

Maintain highest level of client service through onboarding, fund launches, and product enhancements.

- Dedicated team of onboarding and operational specialists
- Industry driven approach to product management

¹Source – Euromoney FX Survey 2023

² Source – Fund Connect as of December 31, 2023

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Our solution

- Our solution is a full-service offering for ETFs, facilitating primary market ETF creations and redemptions, with the ability to white label
- The agnostic platform delivers seamless electronic connectivity to State Street and third party systems, from basket creation to confirm delivery and settlement
- This is an end to end solution with real-time operational and technological support, outsourced fund setup, user access, and AP onboarding



Streamlined workflows

Scalable industry solutions

Electronic order flow automation

- APIs for straight through order processing
- Secured web based portal for online order entry
- Real-time order notifications for issuer & distributor approvals

Flexible models

- Order flow models allow for various workflow states (submitted, completed, voided)
- Customizable fund structure allows portal ability to support multiple fund structures including active and digital products



Integration

Adaptable integrations

Proprietary solutions

 Business integration specialists supporting custom integration solutions using industry standard APIs

Reporting

- Direct downstream system integrations
- Reporting functionality adaptable to local regulatory reporting
- Complete audit trail of order activities



Full service

Operational & technical support

Operational support model

- Local operations staff in regional hubs across the US, Europe, and APAC
- Facilitate fund setup, user access, AP onboarding, and functionality inquiries

Technical support

- Technical help desk staffed 24/6 reachable via phone or email
- Assists with technical issues inclusive of login difficulty password reset
- Provides level one support of functional inquiries

Why is it important?

- Reduce the number of platforms an AP needs to utilize to place creation and redemption orders
- Our technology enables issuers to manage orders more efficiently - ultimately driving more flow into funds
- Global & platform wide enhancements benefit the entire ETF ecosystem
- Exchange traded products continue to get more complex and require a robust technology solution to adapt to changing market dynamics including T+1 and T+0 settlement
- The ability for APs to send order flow without logging into a portal allows APs to handle higher volumes



Trusted partner

- Issuer and service provider agnostic
- 20+ years of multi-asset class electronic trading experience
- Well capitalized with continued technology investment
- Proactive, high touch service model allows customers to focus on their core competencies
- Customer-driven approach to product development and strategy



Foundation for innovation

- Empower our clients, and those they serve, to transition and thrive in the digital economy. Enables the portal to adapt to the changing needs of clients
- Market pioneers, in-house technologists, decades of industry experience
- Supportive of complex product suites including active, semi-transparent, futures based, spot crypto, tokenized, etc.
- Platform-wide enhancements



End-to-end solution

- Open, interoperable platform facilitates seamless integration
- Enable digital asset infrastructure as a trusted provider of front to back solutions in an open fully transparent and highly secure environment
- Expansive industry connectivity and unbiased OMS/EMS integrations-FIX, MQ, SFTP
- Standardization across product types with the flexibility to support unique workflows

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