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## LIQUIDNET'S CENTRALISED LIQUIDITY & BEST EXECUTION TOOLS HELP DRIVE A RECORD YEAR IN ASIA

**Substantially increased trading volume resulting from Asian institutions finding access to integrated, global liquidity with Liquidnet technologies that enable enhanced trading execution**

**HONG KONG, January 31, 2019** - Liquidnet, the global institutional investment network, achieved a record year in Asia Pacific during 2018 with total equities trading volume growing over 40% to US\$ 55 billion in principal traded. The record year for Liquidnet in Asia was the result of strong performance across the region, with 11 of its 13 country markets setting new trading records.

Standout results in executed volume were recorded by Liquidnet's largest regional APAC markets, with Hong Kong and Japan each growing by over 60%. Liquidnet also launched its regional wholesale business earlier in the year, together with introducing a full suite of Next Gen Algos in Asia that contributed to increased volumes during 2018.

"We reached these important trading milestones after Asia's diverse markets experienced increased global regulatory pressure, as well as the return of heightened volatility," said Lee Porter, Head of APAC for Liquidnet, "Heading into 2019, our scale is set to increase further in the region as Liquidnet's strengthened regional team continues to deliver innovative trading technologies that seamlessly connect institutions across Asian and global markets."

To help improve performance for its global and Asia-based members amidst market headwinds, Liquidnet has delivered a range of execution solutions, workflows and liquidity-sourcing techniques through its Virtual High Touch (VHT) offering in APAC over the past year. VHT is a collection of innovative technologies that combines data analysis, adaptive learning algorithms, liquidity sourcing tools and real-time analytics to create a valuable toolkit for traders to help maximize execution quality and productivity.

In support of the ongoing introduction of next generation trading technologies in the region, Liquidnet welcomed David Jenkins as Head of Product in Asia in December 2018. With over 12 years of experience delivering advanced new products between Bloomberg, Fidessa and related firms, David will play an important role in bringing Liquidnet's full technology offering to its members for regional markets.

With the initial Asia pilot launch in late 2018 of Liquidnet Discovery™, its analytics tool for traders, Liquidnet will continue to provide traders with AI-enabled tools designed to empower institutions to generate alpha across their trading operations. In an environment where every boost to performance can be a critical differentiating factor for active managers, Liquidnet will be working closely with its members

in Asia throughout 2019 to leverage the best, actionable insights that machine learning and natural language processing technology can provide.

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### About Liquidnet

Liquidnet is the global institutional trading network where more than 930 of the world's top asset managers and other like-minded investors come to execute their large trades with maximum anonymity and minimum market impact. Liquidnet approaches every market with the same bold vision to provide a better, more efficient way to trade on a massive scale. It is this focus on size, combined with the strength of its network, disruptive technology, and commitment to transparency, that is revolutionizing the way equities and corporate bonds are traded. For more information, visit [www.liquidnet.com](http://www.liquidnet.com) and follow us on Twitter @Liquidnet.

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