

CME FX - Market Structure

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EBS Primary Venue Price Discovery and Liquidity

During 2026, EBS Market has continued to play a critical role as a primary venue for price discovery and firm, anonymous liquidity

- Amid recent volatility, EBS Market played a critical role in price stability and risk transfer. 30 April 2026: USD/JPY volume of \$85bn on EBS, with a total of \$140bn inclusive of CME FX futures.



Continued optimization of EBS CLOB market structure supports ongoing relevance and balance amid evolution of the broader market

- **Reduction of minimum quote lives and increase of market data speeds** in Spot and NDF during 2024, 2025, and 2026 has supported price maker flexibility and improved aggressor fill rates while increasing price transparency.
- **Targeted reduction of minimum price increments, particularly in EUR/USD** has improved primary venue bid-offer spreads by > 30%, supporting execution quality, refining price discovery and supporting volume levels
- **Equilibrium Matching, a next generation of the EBS latency floor** is in development to further enhance price discovery, reduce adverse selection costs and increase determinism for takers of liquidity

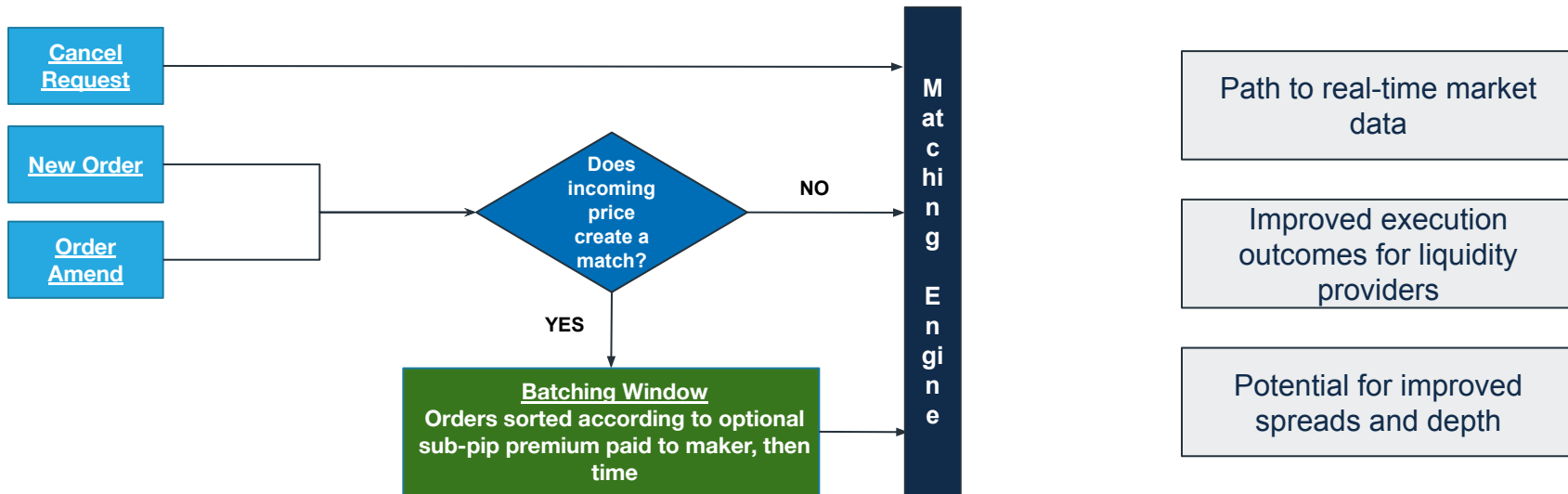
Increasing determinism through matching evolution

Current EBS Latency Floor

- * Randomized batch window
- * Batches all orders, cancels and modifications arriving during batch event
- * Cancellations receive priority in release of orders from batches
- * Randomized institutional round-robin determines release sequence of new orders

EBS Equilibrium Matching

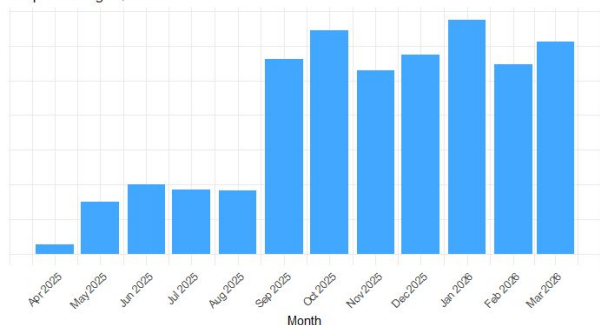
- * Randomized batch window
- * Only aggressive orders included in batches; [passive orders go directly to market](#)
- * [Cancels & passive modifications bypass batching](#) along with passive orders
- * [Priority of batched orders based on premium offered to maker](#)



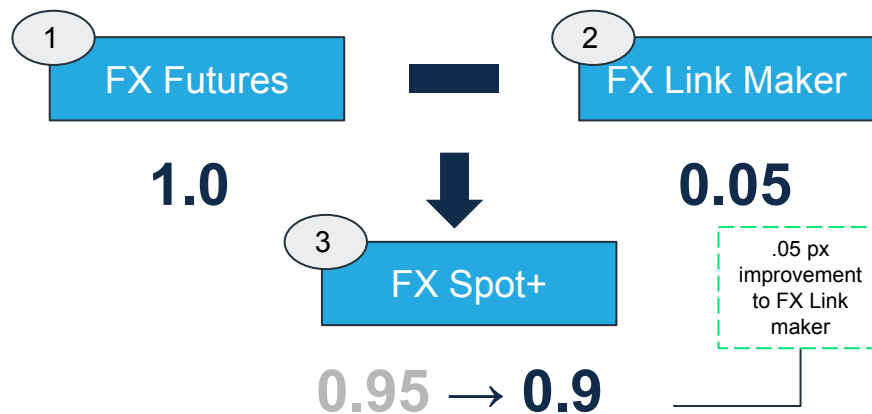
FX Link and FX Spot+ - Liquidity development dynamics

FX Spot+ has seen over 70 participants - including nearly 40 banks that do not trade futures - driven by desire to access implied futures liquidity. February high volume day \$8.3bn

FX Spot+ Volumes (Average Daily)
Inception through Q1 2026



As a result, FX Link has seen an expanding diversity of liquidity providers since the launch of FX Spot+, in large part owing to price improvement dynamics unlocked by FX Spot+ implied matches. TOB qtys > \$150mio.



Price Improvement Benefit of ~\$140 per \$100mio traded on FX Link given ~10% of passive fills earn price improvement averaging ~\$14/mio

Collectively, the unique market structure dynamics from implied liquidity between FX Link and FX Spot+ enhances both Spot+ liquidity and FX Link role as a centralized IMM swap