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## WMBA-CTD Index Partnership Press Release

20 September 2021, London:

WMBA Limited, one of the first three globally approved index benchmark administrators whose portfolio contains the RONIA and EURONIA indices, and CTDI, the new innovative creator of a range of unique commodity market indices, today announced a 'co-branding' partnership for the stewardship and development of CTDI's custom indices.

WMBA Limited's experience of benchmarks and knowledge in the application of IOSCO Principles to promote index integrity and transparency provides user confidence in CTDI's index products.

The "*WMBA - CTD Indices*", which can be accessed via MarketDesk, are designed to supply market participants with leading macro-economic insights by benchmarking China commodities futures that influence global trade, including Steel, Grains and Energy. These are just the first of a unique index family to specifically cover commodities markets, but then extend into the vital new world of carbon trading and introducing new transparency into an area of global concern.

A preview of the indices is available at <https://dev.marketdesk.com/ctdindices>

Commenting on the partnership:

*"As a longstanding authorised benchmark administrator, with experience of managing critical benchmarks, WMBA Limited is excited to be able to help bring rigour and governance standards to these vital classes of new indices providing accurate and reliable valuation for the benefit of market participants all over the world."* David Clark, Chairman of WMBA Limited.

*"These are the world's first indices that bring insights and visibility to Chinese commodities futures. China is now the world's largest consumer of commodities playing a central role setting global prices. Our family of Chinese commodity indices help investors and traders benchmark China's increasing and ever more important demand."* Paul Hsu, CEO at CTD Indices

*"We are delighted to be part of the technical delivery and distribution solution for these unique, thoughtful and highly relevant market benchmarks."* Brice Hamon, Founder & CEO at MarketDesk.

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About WMBA Limited. <https://www.wmbaltd.com>

Founder of the UK SONIA index in 1997 and a leader in the governance of financial indices, WMBA Limited was one of the first FCA approved Benchmark Administrators under the [UK Benchmarks Regulation \('BMR'\)](#) and formerly under the EU Benchmarks Regulation ('BMR') and the predecessor FCA MAR 8. WMBA Limited is listed on the Financial Conduct Authority ('FCA') ['Benchmarks Register'](#) located in the United Kingdom which lists entities that have been authorised or registered pursuant to Article 34 of the Benchmarks Regulation.

About CTD Indices. <https://www.ctdindices.com>

CTD Indices is an innovative provider of indices and index solutions to the global financial services industry. Our focus is unique in that we create high quality benchmarks based around commodity futures and cash markets that measures not only economic activity for these markets, but also anticipate how these movements will impact investors trading on exchanges. We provide bellwethers for proactive, not reactive investing, to meet investors' needs for an ever-changing global market.

About MarketDesk. <https://www.marketdesk.com>

MarketDesk delivers innovative global market data solutions featuring a one-of-a-kind modern platform for content owners to distribute their financial data and content to a global community that prizes ease of use and mobility with cutting edge technology. Through MarketDesk, content owners can distribute their data to clients, reach new ones and connect employees and applications over the internet and mobile networks, under their brand and control.

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