

# Instinet Completes Purchase of FIS Execution Services

**Instinet has integrated the algorithmic trading solutions business of FIS, formerly called Fox River.**

**NEW YORK, NY, October 19, 2022** – Instinet Holdings Incorporated today announced the firm has completed the purchase of the FIS<sup>®</sup> Execution Services business (formerly known as “Fox River”) from FIS. The original purchase agreement was announced on [June 8, 2022](#).

The Execution Services team provides buy- and sell-side firms, and in particular many of the industry’s leading quant-driven funds, a suite of leading execution solutions. Among the key products are trading algorithms and execution services, including Direct Market Access and Sales Trading.

**Ralston Roberts, Global CEO of Instinet**, said, “We’re excited to welcome the FIS Execution Services team to the Instinet family. The suite of capabilities they bring to our collective clients, both in quantitatively-driven algos and related execution consultancy, will be a powerful complement to the rest of Instinet’s Execution Services offerings. As we said when we announced the purchase agreement, we look forward to providing the benefits of this dynamic combination to our collective clients.”

**Brian Madigan, MD, Head of Instinet Fox River Quant Solutions**, said: “I’m thrilled to join Instinet and to bring the Fox River Quant team to the ‘Original Fintech’. We have great strategic and cultural alignment, and we believe that the natural synergies of this move will offer significant benefits and new opportunities to all of our clients, old and new. Our goal is to make the transition as smooth as possible, and we’re very eager to hit the ground running and realize the power of this combination.”

Pursuant to the original acquisition agreement, Instinet offered employment to the FIS Execution Services staff and acquired the assets of the FIS Execution Services business, including its algorithmic trading technology and intellectual property.

The new offering, which will be rolled out initially in the Americas, will be called Instinet Fox River Quant Solutions. This offering will be delivered to clients as part of Instinet’s Execution Services business, alongside the firm’s existing suite of Core Solutions. The near-term objective is to ensure that clients will continue to have choices and consistency in their trading experience. Ultimately, the firm intends to test, identify, and optimize

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opportunities to help clients benefit from the best of both offerings, and enhance their ability to achieve best execution.

Instinet's Execution Services business also collaborates with the equities execution services businesses of Nomura under a co-marketing strategy called "**Global Execution Services**". This global initiative aims to offer the firms' clients harmonized expertise and broad capabilities, even more seamless access to Nomura's equity and Delta One products, and the benefits of Nomura's unparalleled depth and market share in the Japanese markets.

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