SOFR Conversion: It's on for 2020



From 10/17/20 on, all cleared swaps and swap futures will change:

- PAI will switch from Fed Funds to SOFR
- Eurodollar Futures will continue to trade, subject to fallback triggers—at which point ED\$s and ED\$ options will convert to SOFR.
- Cleared swaptions, at this point, will be liquidated/PV'd—though discussion continues.
- Cash flow discounting will switch from OIS/FedFunds to SOFR

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	LIBOR	FedFund	Treasury	SOFR	SOFR-FF (bp)
2y	1.6204	1.3459	1.6130	1.3926	4.6689
Зу	1.5764	1.3155	1.6000	1.3503	3.4783
4y	1.5681	1.3133	1.6060	1.3383	2.5025
5 y	1.5743	1.3209	1.6140	1.3373	1.6368
7 y	1.6084	1.3559	1.7000	1.3655	0.9670
10y	1.6917	1.4388	1.7620	1.4403	0.1553
15 y	1.7974	1.5431	2.0090	1.5303	-1.2866
20y	1.8558	1.6008	2.1320	1.5709	-2.9883
30y	1.8752	1.6174	2.2550	1.5731	-4.4314

← Zero Curves illustrate the impact of change in discounting. As of now, < 12y cash flows will be discounted at a HIGHER rate, and longer-dated cash flows at a lower rate.

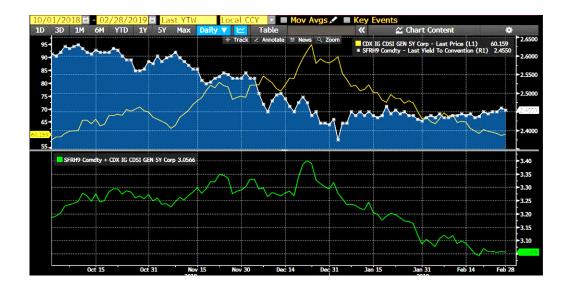
A 'bullet 10yr' with ~4bp higher discounting rate will roughly shift DV'01 by \$1600/bb. No big deal.

Our concern / interest is liquidity. We are highly skeptical of liquidity past the 2-year point of the SOFR curve. In the "First transition stage" (convert PAI and discounting), there will be a few weeks of headache, but this is a change for derivative users by derivative users. *The big problems start at LIBOR cessation; when Rates/Coupons/Cash Flows are entirely SOFR-based.*

We are advocating, especially to "Key Rate Duration" hedgers, to adopt a discount curve that optimizes for LIQUIDITY in the underlying hedge instruments. Today, that curve looks like:

	Non-Bank Financial Entities	Banks Pressed for SOFR Use (Libor redux)
0-18mos	Eurodollar Futures	SOFR Futures
18m-3years	Eurodollar Futures	Eurodollar Futures (or 2yr TU Futures)
5-years	FV Futures	FV Futures
7-years	TY Futures	TY Futures
10-years	Ultra 10yr Futures	Ultra 10yr Futures
15/20-years	US Futures	US Futures
30-years	WN Futures	WN Futures

Expect SOFR+IG to become core rates to restore credit sensitivity to borrowing and lending.



Cost of Funds Equations, today, look like:

 \rightarrow 3mLIBOR + 100 = 2.90

Should become:

 \rightarrow 3mSOFR + IG +x = 2.90

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