

FROM THE EDITOR

e are pleased to present our third annual Guide focusing on Liquidity. The recent liquidity crisis has underlined the importance of managing and understanding liquidity and the risks of not having liquidity. Trading volumes continue to increase in private markets and on dark pools. Alternative trading venues, smart order routing and market fragmentation are increasing issues for U.S., European and Asian markets.

This year's guide includes articles on the importance of liquidity prediction in order routing, market fragmentation in Asian markets, dark liquidity pools in European markets, the relationship between global liquidity and

asset prices, a guide to dark and lit markets, the use of smarter algorithms, and a model for comparing trading best execution.

Based on current market conditions the articles in this Guide are timely, informative and essential reading for any institutional investor. We have collected an outstanding group of authoritative experts in liquidity, dark pools, algorithms and crossing networks. We hope you find this research useful and insightful.

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