

<b>B #:</b>	0031-13
<b>Date:</b>	01/07/13
<b>To:</b>	All Participants
<b>Category:</b>	Dividends
<b>From:</b>	Supervisor, Stock Dividend Department
<b>Attention:</b>	Dividend Managers, Cashiers, and Reorganization Managers
<b>Subject:</b>	<p><b>Optional Dividend:</b> The Central European &amp; Russia Fund, Inc.</p> <p><b>CUSIP:</b> 153436100 <b>Record Date:</b> 12/31/12 <b>Payable Date:</b> 01/28/13</p> <p><b>Rate:</b> \$1.0875 <b>DTC EDS Cut-Off:</b> 01/22/2013 no later than 8:00 P.M. NY time</p>

\*\*\*\*\*WARNING TIME CRITICAL\*\*\*\*\*

The Central European & Russia Fund has declared a total distribution of \$1.0875 per share comprised of \$0.3529 long term-term capital gain and \$0.7346 net investment income payable on 01/28/13 to shareholders of record at the close of business on 12/31/12. The distribution will be paid in the Fund's common stock with an option to receive cash.

**Option #1 Shares:** You may elect to receive the distribution in additional common shares of The Central European & Russia Fund, Inc. at a rate of \$1.0875 per share. Fractions will be paid in cash at DTC participant level. **(Default)**

**Option #2 Cash:** You may elect to receive cash at a rate of \$1.0875 per share.

The number of shares to be issued will be determined by dividing the total dollar amount of the distribution by the closing price of the fund's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on the payment date, 01/28/13.

PARTICIPANTS SHOULD SUBMIT ELECTION INSTRUCTIONS OVER THE PARTICIPANT TERMINAL SYSTEM (PTS) THROUGH THE ELECTIVE DIVIDEND SYSTEM (EDS) FUNCTION.

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Participants not responding to the above option by 01/22/13 no later than 8:00 P.M. New York time will receive the mandatory distribution in accordance with **Stock Option #1**, stock with fractions in cash.

To confirm your Record Date positions, DTC participants should access the Dividend and Allocation History (DPAL) Menu Option, via the PTS Dividend Announcement Inquiry function (DIVA).

If there are any questions regarding this Important Notice or the processing of related instructions via EDS, participants should contact DTC's Customer Service Center at (888) 382-2721.

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