

## Fintech Data Program

### The Challenge/Need

High quality market data are the building blocks of many financial technology solutions, but access can be costly for early stage companies.

### The Program

The Fintech Data Program addresses the data cost barrier for highly-qualified firms and provides access to select equity and fixed income datasets from IHS Markit.

By helping Fintech startups overcome that hurdle, IHS Markit and Illuminate Financial aim to accelerate the product development cycle and bring more innovation to capital markets.

### The Partnership

The Fintech Data Program is a partnership between Illuminate Financial and IHS Markit, a world leader in critical information, analytics and solutions. It brings together our expertise in validating early stage solutions and aiding their adoption with select high quality [capital markets datasets from IHS Markit](#).

Datasets which are accessible via the program include:

- Pricing Data – Bonds, CDS, Loans, Equity Volatility, Securities Finance, Fair Value, OTC
- Reference Data – Bonds, CDS, Loans, Mapping
- Indices – PMI, Credit, Structured, Fixed Income
- Research Signals/Factors
- Dividend Forecasting
- Index Management
- ETF Data
- Valuations Services – Cash, Derivative, OTC, Private Equity
- Parsing

## Who is Eligible?

Early stage capital markets Fintech companies with innovative products that need high quality capital markets datasets for product development, testing and demos. To help address cost factors early on in a company's journey.

## How to Apply

To be considered, early stage financial technology firms should apply by email to [Etienne Brunet \(eb@illuminatefinancial.com\)](mailto:Etienne.Brunet@illuminatefinancial.com)

The application must include the following information:

- Company overview, including detail on management and development teams
- Business plan
- Funding sources
- Data requirements
- IHS Markit datasets that are of interest
- Use case for the data

Illuminate will screen applications and determine whether they should be referred to IHS Markit for further review. Successful applicants will receive access to select data from IHS Markit under a development or commercial license.

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**About Illuminate Financial ([www.illuminatefinancial.com](http://www.illuminatefinancial.com))**

Illuminate Financial Management LLP is a venture capital firm that crosses the chasm between capital markets fintech and the financial institutions it should serve. The firm was founded in 2014 recognising the growing importance of Fintech but questioning how much it was contributing to building more sustainable financial institutions. IFM have created partnerships with core strategic investors and a growing number of Capital Markets firms to gain real insight into what the market needs. We leverage this to find, validate and fund early stage companies and harness our extensive experience across banking, entrepreneurship and consultancy to help these companies achieve their full potential.

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