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CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities Offered

Maximum Aggregate Offering Price \$1.000.000 Amount of Registration Fee

\$115.90

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As further described below, interest will accrue and be payable on the notes quarterly, in arrears, (i) from the original issue date to <u>December 30, 2019</u>: at a rate of 4.05% per annum and (ii) from December 30, 2019 to maturity: at a variable rate per annum equal to the 10-Year U.S. Dollar ICE Swap Rate, subject to the minimum interest rate of 0.00% per annum.

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\$1,000,000. May be increased prior to the original issue date but we are not required to do so.	
At variable prices	
\$1,000 per note	
December 16, 2016	
December 30, 2016 (9 business days after the pricing date)	
December 30, 2026	
December 30, 2016	
The payment at maturity per note will be the stated principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any	
The 10-Year U.S. Dollar ICE Swap Rate (10CMS). Please see "Additional Provisions—Reference Rate" below.	
From and including the original issue date to but excluding December 30, 2019: 4.05% per annum	
From and including December 30, 2019 to but excluding the maturity date (the "floating interest rate period"):	
Reference rate; subject to the minimum interest rate.	
For the purpose of determining the level of the reference rate applicable to an interest payment period, the level of the reference rate will be determined two (2) U.S. government securities business days prior to the related interest reset date at the start of such interest payment period (each, an "interest determination date").	
Interest for each interest payment period during the floating interest rate period is subject to the minimum interest rate of 0.00% per annum.	
Quarterly	
Unadjusted	
Each March 30, June 30, September 30 and December 30, beginning March 30, 2017; <i>prov</i> that if any such day is not a business day, that interest payment will be made on the next succeeding business day and no adjustment will be made to any interest payment made on succeeding business day.	
Each March 30, June 30, September 30 and December 30, beginning December 30, 2019; <i>provided</i> that such interest reset dates shall not be adjusted for non-business days.	
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Maximum interest rate:	um interest rate: Not applicable						
Redemption:	Not applicable						
Specified currency:	U.S. dollars						
CUSIP / ISIN:	61760QKF0 / US61760QKF09						
Book-entry or certificated note:	d Book-entry						
Business day:	New York						
Agent:	Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC ("MS & Co."), a wholly owned subsidiary of Morgan Stanley. See "Supplemental Information Concerning Plan of Distribution; Conflicts of Interest."						
Calculation agent:	Morgan Stanley Capital Services LLC						
Trustee:	The Bank of New York Mellon						
Estimated value on the pricing date:	\$970.90 per note. The estimated value on any subsequent pricing date may be lower than this estimate, but will in no case be less than \$947.50 per note. See "The Notes" on page 2.						
Commissions and issue price:	Price to public ⁽¹⁾	Agent's commissions ⁽²⁾	Proceeds to issuer				
Per note	At variable prices	\$15	\$985				
Total	At variable prices	\$15,000	\$985,000				

(1) The notes will be offered from time to time in one or more negotiated transactions at varying prices to be determined at the time of each sale, which may be at market prices prevailing, at prices related to such prevailing prices or at negotiated prices; provided, however, that such price will not be less than \$990 per note and will not be more than \$1,000 per note. See "Risk Factors—The price you pay for the notes may be higher than the prices paid by other investors."

(2) Morgan Stanley or one of our affiliates will pay varying discounts and commissions to dealers, including Morgan Stanley Wealth Management (an affiliate of the agent) and their financial advisors, of up to \$15 per note depending on market conditions. See "Supplemental Information Concerning Plan of Distribution; Conflicts of Interest." For additional information, see "Plan of Distribution (Conflicts of Interest)" in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

The notes involve risks not associated with an investment in ordinary debt securities. See "Risk Factors" beginning on page 4.

The Securities and Exchange Commission and state securities regulators have not approved or disapproved these securities, or determined if this pricing supplement or the accompanying prospectus supplement and prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

You should read this document together with the related prospectus supplement and prospectus, each of which can be accessed via the hyperlinks below.

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The notes are not deposits or savings accounts and are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other governmental agency or instrumentality, nor are they obligations of, or guaranteed by, a bank.

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The Notes

The notes are debt securities of Morgan Stanley. From the original issue date until December 30, 2019, interest on the notes will accrue and be payable on the notes quarterly, in arrears, at 4.05% per annum, and thereafter, during the floating interest rate period, interest on the notes will accrue and be payable on the notes quarterly, in arrears, at a variable rate per annum equal to 10CMS, subject to the minimum interest rate of 0.00% per annum. We describe the basic features of these notes in the sections of the accompanying prospectus called "Description of Debt Securities—Floating Rate Debt Securities" and prospectus supplement called "Description of Notes," subject to and as modified by the provisions described below. All payments on the notes are subject to the credit risk of Morgan Stanley.

The stated principal amount of each note is \$1,000 and the issue price is variable. This price includes costs associated with

issuing and selling the notes, which are borne by you, and, consequently, the estimated value of the notes on the pricing date is less than the issue price. We estimate that the value of each note on the pricing date is \$970.90. The estimated value on any subsequent pricing date may be lower than this estimate, but will in no case be less than \$947.50 per note.

The price at which MS & Co. purchases the notes in the secondary market, absent changes in market conditions, including those related to interest rates and 10CMS, may vary from, and be lower than, the estimated value on the pricing date. MS & Co. may, but is not obligated to, make a market in the notes and, if it once chooses to make a market, may cease doing so at any time.

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Additional Provisions

Reference Rate

What is the 10-Year U.S. Dollar ICE Swap Rate?

The 10-Year U.S. Dollar ICE Swap Rate (which we refer to as "10CMS") is, on any U.S. government securities business day, the fixed rate of interest payable on an interest rate swap with a 10-year maturity as reported on Reuters Page ICESWAP1 or any successor page thereto at approximately 11:00 a.m. New York City time for such day. This rate is one of the market-accepted indicators of medium to longer-term interest rates.

The rate reported on Reuters Page ICESWAP1 (or any successor page thereto) is calculated by ICE Benchmark Administration Limited based on tradeable quotes for the related interest rate swaps of the relevant tenor that are sourced from electronic trading venues.

An interest rate swap rate, at any given time, generally indicates the fixed rate of interest (paid semi-annually) that a counterparty in the swaps market would have to pay for a given maturity, in order to receive a floating rate (paid quarterly) equal to 3-month LIBOR for that same maturity.

U.S. Government Securities Business Day

U.S. government securities business day means any day except for a Saturday, Sunday or a day on which The Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association recommends that the fixed income departments of its members be closed for the entire day for purposes of trading in U.S. government securities.

CMS Rate Fallback Provisions

If the reference rate is not displayed by approximately 11:00 a.m. New York City time on the Reuters Page ICESWAP1 on any day on which the level of the reference rate must be determined, the rate for such day will be determined on the basis of the midmarket semi-annual swap rate quotations to the calculation agent provided by five leading swap dealers in the New York City interbank market (the "Reference Banks") at approximately 11:00 a.m., New York City time, on such day, and, for this purpose, the mid-market semi-annual swap rate means the mean of the bid and offered rates for the semi-annual fixed leg, calculated on a 30/360 day count basis, of a fixed-for-floating U.S. Dollar interest rate swap transaction with a 10 year maturity commencing on such day and in a representative amount with an acknowledged dealer of good credit in the swap market, where the floating leg, calculated on an actual/360 day count basis, is equivalent to USD LIBOR with a designated maturity of three months. The calculation agent will request the principal New York City office of each of the Reference Banks to provide a quotation of its rate. If at least three quotations are provided, the rate for that day will be the arithmetic mean of the quotations, eliminating the highest quotation (or, in the event of equality, one of the highest) and the lowest quotation (or, in the event of equality, one of the highest). If fewer than three quotations are provided as requested, the reference rate will be determined by the calculation agent in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner.

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Risk Factors

The notes involve risks not associated with an investment in ordinary floating rate notes. An investment in the notes entails significant risks not associated with similar investments in a conventional debt security, including, but not limited to, fluctuations in the reference rate, and other events that are difficult to predict and beyond the issuer's control. This section describes the most significant risks relating to the notes. For a complete list of risk factors, please see the accompanying prospectus supplement and prospectus.

- The historical performance of the reference rate is not an indication of future performance. The historical performance of the reference rate should not be taken as an indication of future performance during the term of the notes. Changes in the levels of the reference rate will affect the trading price of the notes, but it is impossible to predict whether such levels will rise or fall. There can be no assurance that the reference rate will be positive.
- Investors are subject to our credit risk, and any actual or anticipated changes to our credit ratings or credit spreads may adversely affect the market value of the notes. Investors are dependent on our ability to pay all amounts due on the notes on interest payment dates and at maturity and therefore investors are subject to our credit risk and to changes in the market's view of our creditworthiness. The notes are not guaranteed by any other entity. If we default on our obligations under the notes, your investment would be at risk and you could lose some or all of your investment. As a result, the market value of the notes prior to maturity will be affected by changes in the market's view of our creditworthiness. Any actual or anticipated decline in our credit ratings or increase in the credit spreads charged by the market for taking our credit risk is likely to adversely affect the value of the notes.
- The price at which the notes may be sold prior to maturity will depend on a number of factors and may be substantially less than the amount for which they were originally purchased. Some of these factors include, but are not limited to: (i) actual or anticipated changes in the level of the reference rate, (ii) volatility of the level of the reference rate, (iii) changes in interest and yield rates, (iv) any actual or anticipated changes in our credit ratings or credit spreads and (v) time remaining to maturity. Generally, the longer the time remaining to maturity, the more the market price of the notes will be affected by the factors described in the preceding sentence. This can lead to significant adverse changes in the market price of securities like the notes. Depending on the actual or anticipated level of the reference rate, the market value of the notes is expected to decrease and you may receive substantially less than 100% of the issue price if you are able to sell your notes prior to maturity. In addition, any secondary market prices may differ from values determined by pricing models used by MS & Co., as a result of dealer discounts, mark-ups or other transaction costs.
- The price you pay for the notes may be higher than the prices paid by other investors. The agent proposes to offer the notes from time to time for sale to investors in one or more negotiated transactions, or otherwise, at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, at prices related to then-prevailing prices, at negotiated prices, or otherwise. Accordingly, there is a risk that the price you pay for the notes will be higher than the prices paid by other investors based on the date and time you make your purchase, from whom you purchase the notes (e.g., directly from the agent or through a broker or dealer), any related transaction cost (e.g., any brokerage commission), whether you hold your notes in a brokerage account, a fiduciary or fee-based account or another type of account and other market factors.
- The notes will not be listed on any securities exchange and secondary trading may be limited. The notes will not be listed on any securities exchange. Therefore, there may be little or no secondary market for the notes. MS & Co. may, but is not obligated to, make a market in the notes and, if it once chooses to make a market, may cease doing so at any time.
- The issuer, its subsidiaries or affiliates may publish research that could affect the market value of the notes. The issuer or one or more of its affiliates may, at present or in the future, publish research reports with respect to movements in interest rates generally or the reference rate specifically. This research is modified from time to time without notice and may express opinions or provide recommendations that are inconsistent with purchasing or holding the notes. Any of these activities may affect the market value of the notes.
- The calculation agent, which is a subsidiary of the issuer, will make determinations with respect to the notes. Any of these determinations made by the calculation agent may adversely affect the payout to investors. Moreover,

certain determinations made by the calculation agent may require it to exercise discretion and make subjective judgments, such as with respect to the reference rate. These potentially subjective determinations may adversely affect the payout to you on

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the notes. For further information regarding these types of determinations, see "Additional Provisions? Reference Rate" and related definitions above.

Supplemental Information Concerning Plan of Distribution; Conflicts of Interest

We expect to deliver the notes against payment therefor in New York, New York on December 30, 2016, which will be the ninth scheduled business day following the date of the pricing of the notes. Under Rule 15c6-1 of the Exchange Act, trades in the secondary market generally are required to settle in three business days, unless the parties to any such trade expressly agree otherwise. Accordingly, purchasers who wish to trade notes on the date of pricing or on or prior to the third business day prior to the original issue date will be required to specify alternative settlement arrangements to prevent a failed settlement.

Morgan Stanley or one of our affiliates will pay varying discounts and commissions to dealers, including Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC ("Morgan Stanley Wealth Management") and their financial advisors, of up to \$15 per note depending on market conditions. The agent may distribute the notes through Morgan Stanley Wealth Management, as selected dealer, or other dealers, which may include Morgan Stanley & Co. International plc ("MSIP") and Bank Morgan Stanley AG. Morgan Stanley Wealth Management, MSIP and Bank Morgan Stanley AG are affiliates of Morgan Stanley.

MS & Co. is our wholly owned subsidiary. MS & Co. will conduct this offering in compliance with the requirements of FINRA Rule 5121 of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., which is commonly referred to as FINRA, regarding a FINRA member firm's distribution of the securities of an affiliate and related conflicts of interest. MS & Co. or any of our other affiliates may not make sales in this offering to any discretionary account.

Acceleration Amount in Case of an Event of Default

In case an event of default with respect to the notes shall have occurred and be continuing, the amount declared due and payable per note upon any acceleration of the notes shall be an amount in cash equal to the stated principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest.

Validity of the Notes

In the opinion of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, as special counsel to Morgan Stanley, when the notes offered by this pricing supplement have been executed and issued by Morgan Stanley, authenticated by the trustee pursuant to the Senior Debt Indenture and delivered against payment as contemplated herein, such notes will be valid and binding obligations of Morgan Stanley, enforceable in accordance with their terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency and similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally, concepts of reasonableness and equitable principles of general applicability (including, without limitation, concepts of good faith, fair dealing and the lack of bad faith), *provided* that such counsel expresses no opinion as to the effect of fraudulent conveyance, fraudulent transfer or similar provision of applicable law on the conclusions expressed above. This opinion is given as of the date hereof and is limited to the laws of the State of New York and the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware. In addition, this opinion is subject to customary assumptions about the trustee's authorization, execution and delivery of the Senior Debt Indenture and its authentication of the notes and the validity, binding nature and enforceability of the Senior Debt Indenture with respect to the trustee, all as stated in the letter of such counsel dated February 16, 2016, which is Exhibit 5-a to Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed by Morgan Stanley on February 16, 2016.

Contact Information

Morgan Stanley Wealth Management clients may contact their local Morgan Stanley branch office or our principal executive offices at 1585 Broadway, New York, New York 10036 (telephone number (866) 477-4776). All other clients may contact their local

brokerage representative. Third-party distributors may contact Morgan Stanley Structured Investment Sales at (800) 233-1087.

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Tax Considerations

In the opinion of our counsel, Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, the notes will be treated as "variable rate debt instruments" for U.S. federal tax purposes. The notes will be treated as providing for a single fixed rate followed by a single qualified floating rate ("QFR"), as described in the sections of the accompanying prospectus supplement called "United States Federal Taxation?Tax Consequences to U.S. Holders?Notes?Floating Rate Notes?General" and "?Floating Rate Notes that Provide for Multiple Rates." Under applicable Treasury Regulations, in order to determine the amount of qualified stated interest ("QSI") and original issue discount ("OID") in respect of the notes, an equivalent fixed rate debt instrument must be constructed. The equivalent fixed rate debt instrument is constructed in the following manner: (i) first, the initial fixed rate is converted to a QFR that would preserve the fair market value of the notes, and (ii) second, each QFR (including the QFR determined under (i) above) is converted to a fixed rate substitute (which will generally be the value of that QFR as of the issue date of the notes). The rules under "United States Federal Taxation?Tax Consequences to U.S. Holders?Notes?Discount Notes?General" must be applied to the equivalent fixed rate debt instrument to determine the amounts of QSI and OID on the notes. Under this method, the notes may be issued with OID.

A U.S. holder is required to include any QSI in income in accordance with the U.S. holder's regular method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes. U.S. holders will be required to include OID in income for U.S. federal income tax purposes as it accrues, in accordance with a constant yield method based on a compounding of interest. QSI allocable to an accrual period must be increased (or decreased) by the amount, if any, which the interest actually accrued or paid during an accrual period (including the fixed rate payments made during the initial period) exceeds (or is less than) the interest assumed to be accrued or paid during the accrual period under the equivalent fixed rate debt instrument. For the QSI and the amount of OID (if any) on a note, please contact Morgan Stanley at StructuredNotesTaxInfo@morganstanley.com.

If you are a non-U.S. holder, please read the section of the accompanying prospectus supplement called "United States Federal Taxation—Tax Consequences to Non-U.S. Holders."

Both U.S. and non-U.S. holders should read the section of the accompanying prospectus supplement entitled "United States Federal Taxation." The discussion under "United States Federal Taxation – FATCA Legislation" in the accompanying prospectus supplement will apply to the notes, except that, under an Internal Revenue Service notice, withholding under FATCA will not apply to payments of gross proceeds (other than any amount treated as interest) of any disposition of the notes before January 1, 2019.

You should consult your tax adviser regarding all aspects of the U.S. federal tax consequences of an investment in the notes, as well as any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, local or non-U.S. taxing jurisdiction.

The discussion in the preceding paragraphs under "Tax Considerations," and the discussion contained in the section entitled "United States Federal Taxation" in the accompanying prospectus supplement, insofar as they purport to describe provisions of U.S. federal income tax laws or legal conclusions with respect thereto, constitute the full opinion of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP regarding the material U.S. federal tax consequences of an investment in the notes.

Where You Can Find More Information

Morgan Stanley has filed a registration statement (including a prospectus, as supplemented by a prospectus supplement) with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, for the offering to which this pricing supplement relates. You should read the prospectus in that registration statement, the prospectus supplement and any other documents relating to this offering that Morgan Stanley has filed with the SEC for more complete information about Morgan Stanley and this offering. You may get these documents without cost by visiting EDGAR on the SEC web site at www.sec.gov. Alternatively, Morgan Stanley will arrange to send you the prospectus and the prospectus supplement if you so request by calling toll-free 800-584-6837.

You may access these documents on the SEC web site at www.sec.gov as follows:

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Terms used but not defined in this pricing supplement are defined in the prospectus supplement or in the prospectus. As used in this pricing supplement, the "Company," "we," "us" and "our" refer to Morgan Stanley.

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