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EUROPE

- EBA publishes three new technical standards
 (i) Liquidity requirements, (ii) prudent valuation and (iii) additional collateral outflows. This is another brick in the building of an integrated prudential framework.
- The Parliament approves the Commission's proposal on legal audits The Directive will provide a revised and improved legal framework for external audits. After its final approval by the Council, it will be published in the OJEU in the second half of 2014.
- BCE approves the rules of procedure of the Supervisory Board This sets out the selection mechanism for making up the steering committee which will carry out the daily tasks of the Board of the Single Supervision Mechanism.
- Publication in the OJEU of technical rules on conglomerates Delegated Regulation 342/2014 specifies the methods for calculating capital requirements for financial conglomerates. Obligatory as of 23 April.
- Experts publish report on eurobills and the debt redemption fund The expert group, created by the EC in March 2013, presented its position on viability, profits and risks of both projects in the context of a future fiscal union.
- European supervisory authorities highlight cross-sectorial risks This their third bi-annual report on the risks and vulnerabilities in the EU financial system.
- ESMA publishes a trade repository supervision work plan The aim is to enhance transparency. Counterparties have been required to report their derivative trades to trade repositories (TRs) since 12 February.
- EIOPA publishes two consultation papers on Solvency II (i) Implementing technical standards. (ii) Operating guidelines for colleges of supervisors . Runs to: 30 June.
- Legislative agreement to increase protection for small investors This requires key information to be supplied in a clear, comparable and complete manner in a mandatory three-page A4 Key Information Document (KID). Final voting in parliament in April.

UNITED KINGDOM

- **Treasury consults on its bank levy reform** It is consulting on a neutral reform to increase revenue sustainability. Runs to: 08 May.
- FCA to investigate how to reduce index multiplication risk It will investigate banks' options for reducing internal risk benchmark manipulation.

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• FCA takes over regulation of consumer credit firms The aim is to increase consumer protection. Companies are subject to FCA rules on consumer protection and to its 11 principles for business.

GLOBAL

- FSB reviews work plans for completing core financial reforms Publication dates of certain documents revised.
- BCBS publishes guidance on external audits of banks The new guidance enhances and supersedes previous documents from 2002 and 2008.
- BIS finalises standard method for measuring counterparty risk exposure As well as instructions about reporting related data, it updates the FAQs.
- BIS updates instructions for Basel III monitoring It publishes new methodology for capital requirements on derivatives, to be applied from January 2017.
- Global report on OTC derivatives cross-border implementation Prepared by the international ODRG regulators' group. Includes planning schedule.

Relevant recent publications: *Financial Inclusion Flash:* The Commission on Long-Term *Financing of the European Economy*

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