

Financial Regulation: Weekly Update

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Highlights

- 1. BCBS publishes principles for management and supervision of climate related financial risks
- 2. ESAs issue RTS on temporary exemptions regime for intragroup contracts under EMIR
- 3. EBA issues guidelines on the role and responsibilities of the AML/CFT compliance officer
- 4. EBA issues revised list of ITS validation rules
- 5. SRB publishes updated guidance documents on bail in operationalization

Global

- BCBS publishes principles for management and supervision of climate related financial risks It <u>aims</u> to promote a principles-based approach to improving both banks' risk management and supervisors' practices related to climate-related financial risks.
- IAIS consults on criteria to assess the aggregation method under the Insurance Capital Standard The <u>objective</u> is to assess whether the aggregation method provides comparable outcomes to the insurance capital standards. Deadline: Aug 15, 2022.

Europe

- ESAs issue RTS on temporary exemptions regime for intragroup contracts under EMIR It extends the current temporary exemption regime for intra group contracts by 3 years. The objective is to accommodate the ongoing assessment of third-country equivalence under EMIR.
- EBA issues guidelines on the role and responsibilities of the AML/CFT compliance officer <u>Ensures</u> a common interpretation and adequate implementation of AML/CFT internal governance arrangements across the EU in line with the requirements of the EU Directive.
- EBA issues revised list of ITS validation rules Revised list of <u>validation rules</u> for its reporting standards (ITS, RTS and guidelines), highlighting those of which have been deactivated either for incorrectness or for triggering IR problems.



- SRB publishes updated guidance documents on bail in operationalization This expands its Aug 2020 guidance, by adding <u>more detail</u> to the expectations related to intragroup loss transfer and recapitalization mechanisms between resolution entities and subsidiaries, as well as the Management Information Systems capabilities.
- EBA publishes annual report on its main achievements in 2021 It <u>highlights</u> the creation of new units given the growing importance of: digital finance; ESG; & AML. Furthermore, it continued its work on Basel III regulatory framework and EU-wide stress tests.
- ESMA publishes annual report on its contribution to the EU green and digital capital markets
 <u>Reviews</u> its achievements in 2021, in enhancing investor protection and promoting stable financial markets and
 focusing on its role in the supervision and its contribution on sustainable and digital finance.
- ESMA publishes guidelines on notifications of major holdings <u>Sets out</u> a summary of the main rules and practices in relation to making and publishing notifications of major holdings under national law in accordance with the Transparency Directive.
- EIOPA consults on the review of the securitization prudential framework in Solvency II To respond to the EC call for advice to <u>assess</u> the performance of the rules on capital requirements relative to the framework's original objective of contributing to the sound revival of the EU securitization market.
- EIOPA publishes its 2021 annual report
 <u>Setting out</u> its activities of the past year mainly related to consumer protection, criteria for the independence of
 supervisory authorities, the regulation for a PEPP, sustainable finance and digitalization.

Spain

CNMV publishes statement on the pricing process in UCITS and private equity firms
 <u>Notes</u> the charge of undue costs to the Spanish collective investment institutions (UCITS) and considers the
 level of transparency adequate. It will review compliance with private equity operations procedures.

United Kingdom

- PRA issues statement on buffer adjustment
 <u>Removes</u> a temporary increase of the PRA buffer introduced in July 2020 that is no longer necessary as
 Covid-19 outbreak has receded. It will be effective from end-December 2022.
- FCA issues guidance on the protection of access to banking services <u>Aims</u> to strengthen protection of access to banking services and asks for more detailed analysis on how firms assess the impact on customers when a branch is closed, an ATM is removed or services are reduced.

United States

• SEC reopens comment period for consultation on clawback rules <u>Requests</u> comments for the third time on its proposed clawback rule, which is required to be promulgated under the Dodd-Frank Act. Deadline: 30 days after publication in the Federal Register.



- SEC issues consultation on activities of certain information providers It requests <u>comments</u> on information providers acting as investment advisers. It particularly focuses on index providers, model portfolio providers and pricing servicers. Deadline: the longer between 60 days after publication on SEC's website, or 30 days after publication in the Federal Register.
- **CFPB issues request for information to improve customer service at big banks** It seeks input on how <u>bank customers</u> can assert their rights to better customer service with big banks. Deadline: 30 days after publication in the Federal Register.
- CFTC issues advisory on swap data errors It provides instructions for notifying when a swap execution facility, designated contract market or reporting counterparty determines that it is unable to correct a swap data error in a timely manner.

Recent publications of interest (in English and Spanish):

- Press Article. The first climate stress tests for European banks have arrived. May 2022.
- Press Article. What is the European Union's social taxonomy for sustainable finance? April 2022.
- Press Article. Areas for improvement in the EU crisis management framework (page 124). February 2022.
- Press Article. Seven keys to financial regulation in 2022. January 2022.

Previous edition of our Weekly Financial Regulation Update in English.



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