

Financial Regulation: Weekly Update

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Highlights

- 1. BCBS publishes press release on policy and supervisor initiatives following latest meeting
- 2. ECB consults on counterparty credit risk governance and management
- 3. ECB publishes opinion on a proposal for a directive on corporate sustainability due diligence
- 4. EBA publishes final ITS on data collection for the benchmarking exercise in 2024
- 5. ESRB publishes EU Non-bank Financial Intermediation Risk Monitor 2023

Global

BCBS publishes press release on policy and supervisor initiatives following latest meeting
 Focus areas include: i) taking stock of recent market turmoil, ii) review of the core principles on effective supervision, iii) work on crypto-assets and iv) climate-related financial risks.

Europe

- ECB consults on counterparty credit risk governance and management
 It consults on its report on sound practices in CCR governance and management. It summarizes the results of a targeted review and includes good practices and areas for improvement. Deadline: July 14, 2023.
- ECB publishes opinion on a proposal for a directive on corporate sustainability due diligence
 It <u>understands</u> that further consideration of the definition of the value chain is needed and asks for a gradual entry into force to allow companies to adjust their internal processes to accommodate the new requirements.
- EBA publishes final ITS on data collection for the benchmarking exercise in 2024

 The <u>novelty</u> is the roll out for the benchmarking of accounting metrics (IFRS9) to high default portfolios (HDP) and, for market risk, new templates are added for the collection of additional information.
- ESRB publishes EU Non-bank Financial Intermediation Risk Monitor 2023
 It monitors systemic risks and vulnerabilities associated with investment funds and other financial institutions.
 For the first time, it extends the monitoring to crypto-assets and associated intermediaries.
- ESMA publishes the results of the Money Market Funds (MMFs) stress tests
 Liquidity and credit <u>risks</u> would be the most impactful for MMFs, in the context of the adverse scenario. It also shows the capability of MMFs to meet redemption requests under adverse circumstances.



- ESMA publishes follow up report on the review of ETFs guidelines and other UCITS issues
 It shows that NCAs have strengthened their supervisory practices in the area of Exchange-traded funds
 (ETFs) and other Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities (UCITS) since 2018.
- EBA publishes technical package for its reporting framework
 It includes a technical package supporting the reporting by competent authorities on EU parent undertaking threshold monitoring, a subset of Pillar disclosure templates and ESG reporting quantitative templates.
- EIOPA publishes monthly technical information for Solvency II
 Monthly technical information for Solvency II with reference to the end of May 2023 on i) the relevant <u>risk-free</u> interest rate term structures (RFR) and ii) the symmetric <u>adjustment of the equity</u> capital charge.

Spain

- CNMV adopts ESMA guidelines on MIFID II sustainability requirements

 It will pay attention to their application within its supervisory competence and, in particular, in the horizontal review on compliance with the regulation on sustainability preferences set out in the 2023 business plan.
- CNMV adopts ESMA guidelines on MIFID II remuneration requirements

 The <u>guidelines</u> comply with MIFID II requirements and include i) design of remuneration policies and practices, ii) governance; and iii) control of risks. The guidelines are considered in supervision actions.

United Kingdom

- FCA bans certain providers of debt advice from receiving referral fees from debt solution providers

 The <u>objective</u> is to stop the business model which incentivizes debt packagers to recommend certain options that make them more money rather than what is in the customer's best interest.
- Joint Regulatory Oversight Committee sets out next steps to help UK open banking grow
 It sets six key themes and priorities, setting two new working groups on: i) on variable recurring payments;
 and ii) future open banking entity. The other four working streams are tasked to Open Banking Limited (OBL).

United States

- Agencies issue final guidance on third-party risk management
 Joint guidance describing <u>principles and considerations</u> to help banks manage risks associated with third-party relationships, including those with financial technology companies.
- CFTC publishes a final rule and two consultations on derivative clearing and reporting requirements

 Final rule on governance requirement for derivative clearing organizations. Proposed rule on information for resolution planning of derivative clearing organizations, and on amendments to large trader reporting requirements. Deadlines: 60 days from publication in the Federal Register.
- CFTC consults on requirements for swap and future commission dealers
 It seeks views on the <u>governance</u> and structure of Risk Management Programs, and the risks that must be monitored and managed. Deadline: 60 days from publication in the Federal Register.
- SEC adopts rules related to security-based swaps transactions
 Rules seeking to <u>prevent fraud</u>, manipulation, and deception in connection with security-based swap transactions and to prevent undue influence over the chief compliance officers.



• SEC adopts amendments affecting Regulation M

They seek to remove and replace references to <u>credit ratings</u> from existing exceptions provided in Regulation M (rules that prohibit activities that artificially influence the market for an offered security).

Recent publications of interest (in English and Spanish):

- Press Article. That's how investments under ESG criteria look like (Spanish only). May 2023.
- Press Article. Europe leads the way in regulating of crypto markets (Spanish only). Apr 2023.
- Press Article. European banking union: why is it so important to have a common deposit insurance fund? (Spanish only). Apr 2023.
- Press Article. Banking regulation in Europe: Is it a good firewall? (Spanish only). Apr 2023.

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