

Financial Regulation: Weekly Update

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Highlights

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Global

- **BCBS publishes technical amendments to the Basel Framework**
The [amendments](#) relate to: i) standardized approach to operational risk; ii) disclosure standards for CVA risk; iii) description of the calculation of indicator scores for G-SIBs; iv) terminology used in the CyCB.
- **IAIS publishes report on the role of supervisors in addressing natural catastrophe protection gaps**
It [outlines](#) why these gaps matter for insurance supervisors and presents a range of supervisory actions to improve affordability, availability and uptake of insurance coverage against natural catastrophe events.

Europe

- **EBA publishes several consultations on draft technical standards and guidelines under MICAR**
i) RTS on [reporting of transactions](#) with asset-referenced tokens and e-money tokens denominated in a non-EU currency; ii) RTS on [supervisory colleges](#); iii) guidelines on [recovery plans](#) for issuers of asset-referenced tokens and e-money tokens; iv) RTS on [own funds requirements and stress testing](#) of issuers; v) RTS on [liquidity requirements](#) and guidelines on liquidity stress testing of relevant issuers of tokens. Deadline: Feb 8, 2024.
- **EBA consults draft guidelines on credit servicers complaints under the Credit Services Directive**
They are addressed to competent authorities and [specify](#) the requirements credit servicers should comply with when establishing procedures for complaints handling from borrowers. Deadline: Feb 9, 2024.
- **ESMA includes cyber risk as a new union strategic supervisory priority**
It is [changing](#) its supervisory priorities to focus on cyber risk and digital resilience alongside ESG disclosures. The aim is to closely monitor potential contagion effects of attacks and disruptions across markets and firms.

- **EP and Council reach provisional agreement on instant payments**
The [aim](#) is to increase the uptake of euro instant credit transfers and to facilitate the access to such services for consumers and businesses in the EU. The next step is ratification by both co-legislators.
- **SRB issues bi-annual reporting note to Eurogroup**
It [focuses on](#): i) its views on CMDI, ii) lessons from recent crisis cases and liquidity in resolution, iii) resolvability progress of SRB banks, iv) progress made on resolvability of less significant institutions, and v) SRF activities.
- **EIOPA publishes its November 2023 Insurance Risk Dashboard**
It [shows](#) that insurers' exposures to macro, market and digitalization risks are currently high, and represent the main concern for the sector. Risk levels for the remaining risk categories are constant at medium levels.
- **EIOPA publishes monthly technical information for Solvency II**
Technical information with reference to the end of October 2023 on: i) the relevant [risk-free interest rate](#) term structures (RFR) and ii) the symmetric [adjustment of the equity capital charge](#) for Solvency II.

United Kingdom

- **FCA and BoE publish proposals for regulating stablecoins**
Two [discussion papers](#) on the proposed regulation on the issuance and holding of stablecoins and on the BoE's approach to regulating operators of systemic payment systems that use stablecoins. Deadline: Feb 6.
- **BoE publishes results of CCP supervisory stress test**
Overall, it [demonstrates](#) that the 3 UK CCPs are resilient to the stress scenario and default of the Cover-2 population from a credit and liquidity perspective.
- **FCA publishes statement on firms' anti-fraud systems**
It finds that [firms](#) can do more to strengthen their systems designed to detect and prevent fraud and can also do more to improve the support they give to fraud victims.

United States

- **FSOC issues final framework on financial stability risks and final nonbank designation guidance**
The analytic framework [explains](#) how the Council monitors and responds to potential risks to financial stability. The guidance sets forth procedures for considering whether to designate a nonbank financial company for FRB supervision and prudential standards under Dodd-Frank.
- **FRB issues its Supervision and Regulation Report**
[Semiannual report](#) to inform the public and provide transparency about its supervisory and regulatory policies and actions, as well as current banking conditions.
- **CFTC consults on new proposed rules on the investment of customer funds**
Amendments to [regulations](#) governing the safeguarding and investment by futures commission merchants and derivatives clearing organizations of funds held for the benefit of customers. Deadline: Jan 17, 2024.
- **CFPB consults proposal on big techs and other providers of digital wallets and payment apps**
The [proposal](#) would ensure that nonbank financial companies adhere to the same rules as large banks, credit unions, and other financial institutions supervised by the CFPB. Deadline: Jan 8, 2024.

Recent publications of interest (in English and Spanish):

- [Press Article](#). *Lessons from the latest financial turmoil* (Spanish only). September 2023.
- [Press Article](#). *Madrid, European capital against money laundering: benefits and opportunities* (Spanish only). July 2023.
- [Press Article](#). *That's how investments under ESG criteria look like* (Spanish only). May 2023.
- [Press Article](#). *Europe leads the way in regulating crypto markets* (Spanish only). Apr 2023.

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