

# Financial Regulation: Weekly Update

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## Highlights

1. EC announces de-prioritization of level 2 acts in financial services legislation
2. ESAs issue statement on cryptoasset risks
3. US Agencies issue proposal to focus supervision on material financial risks
4. ESMA presents work program 2026
5. FSB publishes progress report on the G20 roadmap for enhancing cross-border payments

## Global

### **FSB publishes progress report on the G20 roadmap for enhancing cross-border payments**

There are [improvements](#) in some areas but policy initiatives have not yet translated into the desired real-world gains for end-users. It is necessary to work at the jurisdictional level.

### **FSB presents report on how authorities are monitoring adoption of AI**

It [advises](#) authorities on monitoring AI adoption in the financial sector. The report outlines both direct and proxy indicators to help track AI's use and its potential risks within the financial system.

## Europe

### **EC announces de-prioritization of level 2 acts in financial services legislation**

It has [informed](#) the European Supervisory Authorities and the Anti-Money Laundering Authority of its plan to deprioritize 115 non-essential level 2 acts.

### **ESAs issue statement on cryptoasset risks**

It [warns](#) consumers that crypto can be risky and that legal protection, if any, may be limited and recommends some steps consumers can take to make informed decisions before investing in crypto.

### **ESMA presents work program 2026**

It [focuses](#) on supporting the savings and investment union, implementing key legislative files (EMIR, ESAP, RIS), enhancing data capabilities, and promoting innovation across the EU financial sector.

**ESMA updates standard market size for new quoting obligations of Systematic Internalizers**

It is [intended](#) to assist market participants with their preparations to apply the new quoting requirements, even though the official implementation date has not yet been specified.

**EBA presents report on risks of AML/CFT for banks**

It [shows](#) that competent authorities have made significant progress over the past six years in adopting a risk-based approach to AML/CFT supervision. However, work is still underway.

**EBA presents report on AML/CFT risks in crypto-assets services**

It [uses](#) lessons from recent supervisory cases across the EU to help authorities improve their approach to regulating this rapidly evolving sector.

## Spain

**CNMV report on corporate governance and remuneration of directors of listed companies**

It [shows](#) 88.2% compliance with the Code of Good Governance and an increase in female board members to 36.3%. Average director remuneration rose by 5.2%.

## United Kingdom

**PRA statement on the MiFID Organizational Regulation**

It [restates](#) the existing organizational requirements for firms in its Rulebook to prevent any regulatory gaps after the MiFID Org Reg is revoked. Comes into force on Oct 23, 2025.

## United States

**Agencies issue proposal to focus supervision on material financial risks**

It [proposes](#) greater clarity regarding certain supervision standards and ensures supervisors prioritize material financial risks. Deadline: 60 days after the publication in the Federal Register.

**Agencies issue proposal to prohibit use of reputation risk by regulators**

It [defines](#) “reputation risk” and prohibits the agencies from criticizing or taking adverse action against an institution on the basis of reputation risk.

**OCC issues bulletins on the reduction of regulatory burdens for community banks**

It includes [updated guidance](#) on examination procedures and model risk management, and two proposals to rescind a Fair Housing data regulation and to broaden eligibility for expedited licensing. Deadlines: 30 and 60 days respectively after publication in the Federal Register.

## Recent speeches of interest:

**Pedro Machado: “*Digitalisation and depositors’ behaviour: preliminary reflections from empirical data*”**

It discusses how [digitalization](#) enables faster outflows of bank deposits during stress periods. It reinforces the need to revisit liquidity risk assumptions for uninsured deposits in the LCR. It also advocates for enhanced vigilance, robust deposit insurance, and effective resolution frameworks.

## Recent publications of interest (in English and Spanish):

- [Press Article](#). *Proposed reforms to reinvigorate securitization in the EU*. September 2025
- [Press Article](#). *EU financial sector: competitiveness, simplicity, deregulation?* September 2025
- [Press Article](#). *Why do we need simpler rules?* August 2025
- [Press Article](#). *Financial conglomerates: It really depends*. May 2025

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