



Financial Regulation: Weekly Update. 06 November 2015

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GLOBAL

- FSB and BIS publish 2015 list of G-SIBs and G-SIIs and other important information
- i) Three <u>major</u> changes to the <u>list</u> of global systemically important banks (G-SIBs) and <u>update</u> of denominators. ii) <u>Nine</u> institutions named as being global systemically important insurers (G-SIIs).
- FSB consults on liquidity and operational continuity in banking resolution

<u>Principles</u> and <u>arrangements</u> to ensure sufficient liquidity and the continuity of critical shared services in resolution to maintain critical functions. Deadline: 4 Jan.

- FSB publishes key documents on OTC derivatives, shadow banking and Europe
- i) Review on <u>trade reporting</u>; ii) progress in <u>implementing</u> reforms for OTC derivatives; iii) second report on <u>shadow banking</u> in the Americas, and iv) ninth meeting of the consultative group for <u>Europe</u>.
- BIS consults on incorporating the FSB framework for Securities Financing Transactions

<u>Proposes</u> incorporating FSB haircut methodology for non-centrally-cleared SFTs into the Basel III framework. Deadline: 5 Jan.

ISDA publishes protocol in response to US tax laws

Allows the imposition of a 30% withholding tax on equity derivatives transactions that reference US equity securities, which is allocated to the party that takes the long position. Open for adherence from 2 Nov.

EUROPE

• Commission and Council set out the EU agenda for the G20 Antalya summit on 15-16 Nov

<u>Priorities</u>: i) the refugee crisis; ii) growth; iii) employment and social inclusion; iv) tax transparency; v) multilateral trade agreements, and vi) climate change.

ESMA consults on indirect clearing arrangements under EMIR and MiFIR

<u>Draft technical standards</u> to enhance consistency and where the ultimate aim is to ensure greater protection. Affects OTC derivatives and ETDs (Exchange-Traded Derivatives). Deadline 17 Dec.





EBA publishes 2016 stress test methodology for discussion and list of institutions

The testing will be launched in 1Q16 and will cover 70% of the EU banking sector. The tests will be carried out at the highest possible level of consolidation. Does not define minimum CET1 threshold for an adverse scenario.

• EBA provides overview of banks in the second guarter of 2015

The <u>risk table</u> indicates an increase in capital ratios and profitability compared to 2014, while loan portfolio quality remains weak.

• ECB regarding comprehensive assessment of Greek banks

<u>Finds</u> capital shortfall of EUR14.4bn for four significant Greek banks which must explain how they will cover this shortfall before 6 Nov.

• EIOPA revises guidelines on product oversight and governance (POG)

<u>Consults</u> after extending the scope to distributors of insurance products, besides manufacturers. Deadline: 29 Jan.

SPAIN

MINECO approves order for classifying financial products to enhance investor protection

<u>Affects</u> investment service firms, credit institutions, financial credit establishments, insurers and pension fund managers.

Bank of Spain publishes financial stability report

<u>Indicates</u> drop in doubtful assets, increased solvency, and persistently low profitability in the banking industry and describes the treatment of deferred tax assets.

UNITED KINGDOM

PRA publishes two statements on Solvency II

Regarding i) options available to national authorities with respect to reporting and publishing information, and ii) application of the second set of EIOPA quidelines.

UNITED STATES

• Fed consults on Total Loss-Absorbing Capacity (TLAC)





<u>Will require</u> US G-SIBs and subsidiaries of foreign G-SIBs to have loss-absorbing capacity instruments. A minimum will have to be long-term debt. Deadline: 1 Feb.

· Agencies finalise swap margin rule in accordance with the Dodd-Frank Act

<u>They apply</u> minimum requirements for <u>swaps</u> and security-based swaps that are not cleared through a clearing house. Effective from 1 Apr.

· SEC adopts final rules on the offer and sale of securities through crowdfunding

Allow <u>investment</u> in such securities with limits and establish a regulatory framework to facilitate transactions. Effective date: 180 days following publication in Federal Register.

Recent publications of interest (in English and Spanish)

- Regulation Flash. 2015 G-SIBs list: Three main changes versus 2014 list
- Financial Regulation Outlook. November 2015
- Press article. Single Supervison Mechanism (SSM): first year's stock
- Regulation Watch. BRRD: Overview of the EBA's level 2 regulation
- Digital Economy Outlook.October 2015
- Banking Outlook. September 2015

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