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GLOBAL

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• BIS on progress in adopting the principles for data aggregation and risk reporting

<u>Third report</u> on aggregating exposures and identifying risk concentrations fully, quickly and accurately. Seeks to improve risk management and decision-making.

• BIS consults on shadow banking and the Unique Product Identifier (UPI)

Consults on: i) identification and measurement of <u>step-in-risk</u> to mitigate potential spillover effects from the shadow banking to banks (deadline: 17 Mar), and ii) <u>harmonisation</u> of the UPI to facilitate OTC derivative identification (deadline: 24 Mar).

EUROPE

• European Council agrees to advance more rapidly on Economic and Monetary Union

<u>Focus</u> on more effective economic and fiscal governance, improve euro area's external representation and further advance in Banking Union. Progress report by Jun 2016.

• EBA consults on collecting information on ICAAP and ILAAP for SREP purposes

<u>Aims for</u> a consistent approach to supervisory assessment and assesses the reliability of institutions' own capital and liquidity estimates (deadline: 11 Mar). Also publishes a <u>Report and Opinion</u> on cooperation and information sharing between the EU and other countries.

• EBA recommends introducing the Net Stable Funding Ratio (NSFR) in the EU

<u>Reveals</u> that there is no significant negative impact on bank lending or financial assets markets but identifies EU specificities that should be taken into account.

• EBA publishes definitive RTSs on BRRD

i) <u>Methodology</u> for the valuation of derivatives under resolution. ii) <u>Guidance</u> for business reorganisation plans. iii) Minimum <u>information</u> on financial contracts for detailed records.

• EBA consults on passporting under the revised Payment Services Directive (PSD2)

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Proposes technical standards on the framework for cooperation and exchange of information between competent authorities for <u>passporting</u>. Deadline: 11 Mar.

• EBA on capital requirements for market risk

<u>Consults</u> on the methodology to be applied by the supervisory authority when authorising the use of internal models. Deadline: 13 Mar.

• ESMA issues two consultation and implementing technical standards regarding MiFID II and EMIR

Consults on draft technical standards for: i) requirements for <u>central counterparties</u> on time horizons for liquidation, and ii) access, aggregation and comparison of data via <u>trade repositories</u> (deadline for both: 1 Feb). Issues technical <u>standards</u> on cooperation and suspensions under MiFID II.

• EBA publishes on exposures to shadow banking entities and Central Securities Depositories (CSDs)

i) <u>Guidelines</u> on measuring exposures to shadow banking entities and recommended approach to limiting risks. ii) Harmonised prudential <u>requirements</u> for CSDs.

• Other news on European institutions

i) Agreement between the EP and the Council on <u>data protection</u> rules (formal ratification in 1Q16). ii) Proposed <u>interinstitutional agreement</u> among the EC, the EP and Council on better regulation (subject to ratification). iii) Council adopts directive on <u>insurance distribution</u> (pending publication in OJEU). iv) EC <u>extends</u> CRR exemption for firms that trade exclusively in commodity derivatives to 31 Dec 2020.

• European authorities update risk maps for the financial sector in the EU

i) ESRB reports on systemic risks in the <u>insurance sector</u>. ii) ESMA observes <u>high levels of risk</u> in financial markets in 3Q15. iii) EIOPA <u>highlights</u> that a high level of risk still persists, especially market and macroeconomic risk. iv) EIOPA reports on insurance and pension consumer <u>trends</u>.

• Bank of England and Italy's central bank notify the ESRB on the identity of G-SIIs in 2015

They respectively identify <u>four</u> and <u>one</u> Global Systemically Important Institutions (G-SIIs) and establish corresponding capital buffers to apply in 2017.

• OJEU publishes EC implementing and delegated regulations

 i) <u>Extension</u> of the provisional periods for own funds requirements for exposures to central counterparties. ii) <u>Regulatory Technical Standards</u> on definitions of risk concentrations and intra-group transactions. Effective: 13 and 31 Dec.

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• Treasury consults on minor changes to BRRD transposition

For <u>clarification</u> on application regarding: i) point of failure; ii) powers to replace directors; iii) significant deterioration in the early intervention phase, and iv) resolving a branch of a third-country institution. Deadline: 25 Feb.

• FCA launches consultation on implementing MiFID II

<u>Consults</u> on trading platforms, systemic internalisers, transparency, market data and algorithmic and high-frequency trading, among other items. Deadline: 8 Mar.

• Payment Systems Regulator (PSR) and FCA on payment systems regulation

i) PSR issues a <u>report</u> on access to payment systems and the governance of payment system operators. ii) FCA <u>consults</u> on calculating and paying PSR regulatory fees (deadline: 11 Feb).

UNITED STATES

• OCC consults on recovery planning by insured national banks

<u>Guidelines</u> for insured national banks, insured Federal savings associations, and insured Federal branches of foreign banks (assets of USD50bn or more). Deadline: 16 Feb.

• Agencies propose and approve three derivatives regulations

SEC proposes rules for <u>registered funds and business development companies</u> (comments to be in by 90 days after publication). CFTC approves two final rules on: i) margin requirements for <u>uncleared swaps</u>, and ii) <u>cybersecurity</u> for organisations, platforms and data repositories (deadline: 60 days after publication).

Recent publications of interest (in English and Spanish)

- Financial Regulation Outlook. December 2015
- Regulation Flash. Single Resolution Fund on schedule
- Press article. A European Guarantee Fund Deposits
- Digital Economy Outlook. December 2015
- Banking Outlook. December 2015

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