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GLOBAL

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• BIS revises the Basel III leverage ratio

Consultation on derivatives, purchases and sales of financial assets, off-balance sheet and additional requirements for G-SIBs. Update of FAQs. Deadline: 6 Jul.

• BIS publishes report on effective implementation of Basel III

Second report on variability of risk-weighted assets in the banking book when internal models are used and description of sound practices in banks' model validation functions.

• FSB releases Phase I Report to foster transparency in climate-related financial risks

The Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures issues a report and a consultation. Recommendations for voluntary disclosures expected by the end of the year. Deadline: 1 May.

• IOSCO issues study on cyber risk

The report provides a review of the different regulatory approaches regarding cyber security and the different potential tools available to regulators to deal with this threat.

• OICV-IOSCO updates information repository for OTC derivatives central clearing

Provides consolidated information on clearing requirements and possible exemptions product-by-product in the different jurisdictions.

EUROPE

• ESMA launches a consultation about UCITS share classes and remuneration guidelines

i) focuses on high-level principles of undertakings for collective investment in transferable securities (UCITS) share classes (deadline: 6 Jun); ii) final guidelines on sound remuneration policies under the UCITS and the AIFMD; and iii) it sends a letter to the EC, EP and the European Council on the proportionality principle and remuneration rules in the financial sector.

• EBA issues two consultations





i) On draft amending standards on CVA proxy spread (deadline: Jul 2016) and ii) on guidelines on corrections to modified duration for debt instruments (Jun 2016).

• ECB publishes list of supervised entities

Updates list of supervised entities and criteria applied to define significant and less significant institutions.

• EIOPA guidelines on supervision of branches of third-country insurance undertakings

They seek to ensure a consistent, efficient and effective policyholder protection.

• ESMA on exchange-traded derivatives (ETDs) and on trade repositories (TRs)

i) Not necessary a transitory exclusion of ETDs from non-discriminatory access to CCPs. ii) Amended regulatory standards related to data across TRs.

• EIOPA consults on supervisory reporting

Amendments to templates and guidelines under Solvency II. Deadline: 3 May.

• ESRB on macroprudential measures of the Belgian and Luxembourg authorities

i) It supports the Belgian decision to extend the period for stricter capital requirements for residential mortgages. ii) Notification of the automatic recognition of countercyclical buffers of other MS up to 2.5% by Luxembourg authorities.

• ESRB amends its recommendation on funding of credit institutions

It extends some time perios of the original recommendation aimed at promoting sustainable funding structures for credit institutions.

• ESMA reduces to one day the margin period risk for CCP client accounts

Following the US equivalence decision, it amends the EMIR RTS to reduce the period of time from two days to one day to collect margins. Requires EC endorsement.

• ECB presents annual report

Presents financial system's risks, shadow banking issues, macroprudential measures.

SPAIN

• CNMV will adopt ESMA guidelines on complex debt instruments and structured deposits



RESEARCH

Expected to be applied from 3 Jan 2018. They narrow the definition of non-complex products and entities will have to run more often a convenience test.

UNITED KINGDOM

• FCA consults on the interaction between the capital planning buffer and CRD IV buffers

Investment firms subject to FCA's prudential arm and subject to CRD IV have to calculate a combined buffer from 1 Jan 2106 to 1 Jan 2019. Deadline: 29 Apr.

• FCA publishes business plan for 2016-2017

Priorities: i) pensions, ii) financial crime and anti-money laundering, iii) wholesale markets, iv) advice, v) innovation and technology, vi) governance and vii) customers.

UNITED STATES

• Fed includes certain U.S. general obligation state and municipal securities as HQLA

Allows some investment-grade securities to be counted as high-quality liquid assets if they meet the same liquidity criteria than corporate debt securities. Effective by 1 Jul.

Recent publications of interest (in English and Spanish)

- Presentation. New requirements for loss absorbing capacity: TLAC and MREL
- Financial Regulation Outlook. April 2016.
- Digital Economy Outlook. March 2016
- Regulation Watch. UK proposal on MREL: alignment with TLAC

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