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GLOBAL

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• ISDA Launches Resolution Stay Jurisdictional Modular Protocol

This Protocol is aimed at ensuring the cross-border enforceability of stays on contractual termination rights under the resolution framework established by the FSB.

EUROPE

• ESMA publishes results of its first EU Central Counterparties stress tests

The results show that 17 CCPs in the EU are resilient to counterparty risk and can withstand the failure of their two most important clearing members.

• EC publishes report on crowdfunding

Focused on: i) the Commission's work on crowdfunding, ii) current status of this activity in the EU, iii) regulatory environment and iv) cross-border activities.

• The Central Bank of Hungary creates an asset management vehicle

Used as a macroprudential tool to help banks get rid of their non-performing exposures. The mechanism works on a voluntary basis and at market price.

• ECB opinion on Slovenian draft law on resolution of banks

ECB welcomes the general depositor preference and the statutory subordination of unsecured debt. It also recommends several modifications.

• Italy's Decree Law to reduce the time to recover debts

The Italian Finance Ministry comments on the measures approved that will reduce the time to repossess guarantees from 40 months to 7-8 months.

• EBA publishes a consultation, an opinion and some corrections

i) Consults on the use of consumer data by financial institutions. Deadline: 4 Aug, ii) Opinion on EC's intention not to endorse draft RTS on additional collateral outflows, iii) corrections on XBRL reporting



taxonomies and iv) amendments on historical look-back approach (HLBA).

• ESMA amends MiFID II standards and plans changes in reporting under MiFIR

Amendments on non-equity transparency and position limits for commodity derivatives under MiFID II and final report to amend technical standards on transaction reporting.

SPAIN

• Bank of Spain approves the update of the accounting circular for credit entities

It modifies Annex IX of Circular 4/2004 with regard to the classification of operations and estimation of provisions under the incurred loss model. Into effect: 1 October.

• Bank of Spain publishes reports on financial stability and banking supervision

Financial stability report: main risks area profitability (low interest rates), worse economic outlook, and reduction of financial assets prices. Report on banking supervision: highlights supervisory practices, priorities and strategies during the year.

• CNMV on documenting selection process of credit rating agencies (CRAs)

Entities or issuances rated by two or more CRAs must document selection process by which a CRA with no more than 10% of market share was considered.

UNITED KINGDOM

• Parliament confirms BoE's status at the centre of the UK's financial system

BoE and Financial Services Act 2016 strengthens the governance of the BoE, further protects tax-payers and ensures senior managers' accountability.

• FCA releases a policy statement on Financial Services Compensation Scheme

Main changes in non-investment insurance mediation compensation limit, in eligibility of trustees and in rules where a successor firm defaults. Into effect: 29 Apr.

UNITED STATES

• Fed issues notice on contractual resolution stays in financial contracts for U.S.GSIBs

The proposal requires to amend contracts for financial transactions to prevent their immediate cancellation if the firm enters bankruptcy or a resolution process.



Recent publications of interest (in English and Spanish)

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

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