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GLOBAL

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• BIS publishes Basel III Monitoring Report

Most participating banks meet CET1 requirement. TLAC shortfall for G-SIBs is reduced to €318 billion. Weighted LCR shows slight increase and NSFR remains similar to the last report.

• CPMI-IOSCO guidelines to harmonize the Unique Transaction Identifier (UTI)

The report provides technical guidance to authorities on setting rules for uniform UTIs. Their main objective is to uniquely identify OTC derivative transactions that must be reported.

• FSB publishes conclusion from its meeting in Cape Town

Discusses findings on the effect of post-crisis reforms, CCP linkages, UTIs, policy evaluation, misconduct risk, FinTech, IAIS work on systemic risk and climate-related financial disclosures.

EUROPE

• EC publishes White Paper on the future of the EU

Presents 5 different scenarios: i) carrying on, ii) nothing but the single market, iii) those who want more do more, iv) doing less more efficiently and v) doing much more together.

• EBA publishes results of CRDIV /CRR/Basel III monitoring exercise

Shows further improvement of capital positions and an increase in leverage ratio levels. LCR remains at the same level as in the previous report and NSFR shows a slight improvement.

• EBA consults on coverage of entities in banking group recovery plans

The aim is to define common criteria to identify entities (subsidiaries and branches) that need to be covered in group recovery plans. Deadline: 2 Jun.

• EBA consults on draft RTS regarding the specification of an economic downturn

Specifies the nature, severity and duration of economic downturn that banks use to estimate LGD and CV. Proposes methodological approach for identification. Deadline: 29 May.



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• EBA publishes its fourth report on recovery planning

The report shows recovery plans improved but challenges remain. The objective is to help supervisors identify the crucial elements that banks need to consider in their recovery plans.

• SSM publishes current guide to the Targeted Review of Internal Models

Sets out views on appropriate supervision. Aims to ensure harmonised application of the legal framework and alignment with upcoming changes in the regulation on internal models.

· ECB conducts interest rate sensitivity analysis of directly supervised banks

Stress test aims to provide information on the impact of hypothetical interest rate shocks on the economic value of banks' equity and net interest income projections.

• EBA updates its 2018 EU-wide stress test timeline

It is preparing the methodology and templates, taking into account the implementation of IFRS 9. It will be launched at the beginning of 2018 and results published in mid-year.

EIOPA publishes first risk dashboard based on Solvency II

It summarises the main risks and vulnerabilities in the EU insurance sector based on data from 93 insurance groups though a set of risk indicators of the third quarter of 2016.

• EIOPA updates documentation of methodology for calculating interest rate term structure

Updates government bond tickers for Bulgaria, China, India, South Africa, Taiwan and Thailand, as well as transition matrices used to calculate fundamental spreads.

SPAIN

• Ministry of Economy consults on draft bill to overhaul market and competition supervision

Proposes to create four new independent bodies to rationalise and improve governance. Deadline: 17 Mar.

CNMV statement on variation margin deadline of 1 March under EMIR

OTC derivatives exceeding certain limits are subject to exchange of collateral. CNMV will take into account implementation problems, but urges firms to comply fully.

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• FCA consults on reform package for equity IPO process

It seeks to improve the scope and quality of information available to investors during an equity Initial Public Offering process. Deadline: 1 Jun.

• FCA issues statement on the variation margin deadline of 1 March

In assessing compliance it will follow a risk-based approach, judging the adequacy of progress, considering the credibility of implementation plans, but urging firms to comply.

• PRA consults on Pillar 2A capital framework

It seeks to promote competition by reducing disadvantages associated with the use of the Standardised Approach (mainly by smaller banks and building societies). Deadline: 31 May.

• PRA issues policy statement regarding loan to income ratios in mortgage lending

Provides feedback to responses to previous consultation, setting out the final rules for the loan to income flow limit on a four-quarter rolling basis.

• PRA updates taxonomy to version 2.0

Covers the requirements for financial statements as set out in PS 36/16, and the requirements for "forecast capital" reporting. Firms must now use this taxonomy version.

Recent publications of interest (in English and Spanish):

- Regulation Watch. White Paper on the future of Europe. March 2017
- Regulation Watch. Newpackage of banking reforms. November 2016
- Regulation Watch. Europe: TLAC implementation and MREL review. November 2016
- Financial Regulation Outlook. January 2017
- Digital Economy Outlook. January 2017

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