

# Financial Regulation: Weekly Update. 2 June 2017

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### **EUROPE**

EC publishes a Reflection Paper on the future of the Economic and Monetary Union

<u>Proposals</u> on: Banking union and CMU, centralised supervision in markets and insurance, safe bonds, banks' sovereign holdings regulation, fiscal stabilization, and European Treasury.

EP, EC & Council reach agreement on the securitisation market and Venture Capital

i) It sets the <u>risk retention</u> requirement at 5%, increases market transparency, and prevents conflicts of interest with third parties, improving authorisation process; ii) Agreement on new regulation for <u>EuVECA and EuSEF</u> funds in order to boost venture investment in the EU.

ECB publishes letter on IFRS 9 transitional arrangements

<u>It prefers</u> a static approach over a dynamic one for the design of transitional arrangements. Also, it states that further adjustment to the CRR should be done to avoid double counting.

• ECB consults on the review of Regulation on supervisory fees

It seeks <u>feedback</u> on possible improvements on the methodology and criteria for calculating the annual supervisory fee. Deadline: 20 Jul.

• EC agrees in principle on Monte dei Paschi's preventive recapitalisation

The <u>agreement</u> is subject to several conditions, among which that the ECB confirms that MPS is solvent, and that the bank disposes of its NPL portfolio on market terms.

• ESAs publish their responses to the consultation on their future

<u>EBA, ESMA</u> and <u>EIOPA</u> have published their replies to the Commission's consultation on the future of those three European Supervisory Agencies.

• ESAs consult on strengthening group-wide ML/TF risk management

RTS to manage money laundering and terrorist financing risks where a third country's law prevents implementation in their branches or subsidiaries. Deadline: 11 Jul.





• ESMA consults on measure for CCPs to manage conflicts of interest

<u>Sets out criteria</u> that CCPs should apply to mitigate the risks of conflicts of interest and ensure a consistent implementation across CCPs. Deadline: 24 Aug.

• ESMA issues final Implementing Technical Standards (ITS) on MAR

These ITS set out how national competent authorities <u>should cooperate with each other</u> under the Market Abuse Regulation (MAR). Commission has 3 months to approve these ITS.

ESMA publishes opinion on the supervisory approach to relocations from the UK

In order to foster <u>consistency</u>, it sets out general principles to be followed by National Competent Authorities to authorise and supervise entities relocating from the UK.

- ESMA issues opinions regarding the implementation of MiFID II and updates Q&As
- i) Both opinions <u>help to clarify</u> transparency and position limit regimes for instruments traded on non-EU trading venues; ii) <u>Updates questions</u> regarding: algorithmic trading, extension of MiFID I waiver, SI regime, commodity derivatives and non-equity instruments.
- ESMA issues new guidelines about CSDR and reporting templates and updates Q&As
- i) Issues <u>details on implementation</u> of Central Securities Depositories Regulation (CSDR), clarifies scope of data to be reported for the calculation of indicators; ii) Includes <u>issues</u> on investment policy, access, and conditions to provide services in other Member State.
- ESMA registers a new trade repository

It <u>registers</u> Bloomberg Trade Repository Ltd. as a trade repository under EMIR from 7 June 2017. Derivatives covered: commodities, credit, FX, equities and interest rates.

· ESMA updates list of recognised third-country CCPs

Adds New Zealand Clearing Limited to the <u>list of third-country CCPs</u>. There are 29 recognised CCPs that offer services and activities in the Union.

- ESMA launches data submission under Market Abuse Regulation (MAR) and updates Q&As
- i) <u>Announces</u> that its IT system for the collection of financial instrument reference data under MAR will become operational starting from 17 July 2017; ii) Includes <u>new answers</u> regarding the disclosure of inside information and blanket cancellation of orders policy.





• OJEU issues commission's delegated regulation 2017/867 under BRRD's art.76

To <u>protect arrangements</u> during the partial transfer of assets, rights and liabilities of an institution under resolution. Entry into force: 9 Jun.

### **SPAIN**

· BdE publishes its Annual Report

In spite of its <u>strong solvency</u> position, the report highlights the financial sector's low profitability as a potential source of risk for the economy.

# UNITED KINGDOM

• PRA publishes updates on submission systems and levies for the FSCS

i) Update <u>regarding</u> submission system, templates, and instructions for Capital+ reporting; ii) Informs of adjustments to <u>risk-based levies</u> for the Financial Services Compensation Scheme.

# **UNITED STATES**

• FRB announces final amendments to Regulation CC

<u>Seeks to</u> create a framework for electronic cheque collection and new warranties for electronic cheques, that will result in consistent warranty chain regardless of their form.

Federal agencies issue advisory on appraiser availability

<u>They</u> point to two alternatives to help in areas facing shortage of appraisers: i) temporary out-of-state practice permits or ii) temporary waivers to certification of individuals.

• FRB announce schedule for results from Dodd-Frank Act stress test and CCAR

<u>The results</u> will be released on June 22, and the Comprehensive Capital Analysis and Review (CCAR) will be released on June 28.

Recent publications of interest (in English and Spanish):

Regulation Watch. Reflection paper on the future of the Eurozone. June 2017





- Press Article. Brexit storm clouds. May 2017
- Financial Regulation Outlook. April 2017
- Press Article. Creating Green Opportunities. March 2017
- Press Article. Shadow banking: time to step out into the light. March 2017
- Regulation Watch. White Paper on the future of Europe. March 2017
- <u>Digital Economy Outlook</u>. January 2017

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