

Financial Regulation: Weekly Update. 4 May 2018

Matías Daniel Cabrera / Alvaro Romero / Victoria Santillana
04 May 2018

EUROPE

- ECB releases its fifth Macroprudential Bulletin

It covers [five](#) main issues: an [interview](#) with its Vice-Chair; and several articles on: gauging the [systemic importance](#) of SSM significant institutions; how [competition and regulation](#) drive bank and investment fund risk profiles and market shares; among others.

- ECB issues EU financial integration report

It [remarks](#) that financial integration improved modestly within the euro area in 2017, with notable differences also between price-based and quantity-based indicators.

- ESMA launches bond liquidity system under MiFID II

It [publishes](#) liquidity assessment for bonds subject to pre- and post-trade requirements. 220 bonds are sufficiently liquid to be subject to MiFID II's real-time transparency requirements.

- ECB and BoE issue statement on joint working group for Brexit risks

Following a [request](#) from the EC and HM Treasury, they set up a [technical](#) working group on risk management in financial services around UK's departure period. This is a separate body from that negotiating the Withdrawal Agreement.

- ECB publishes European framework for testing cyber resilience

[Facilitates testing](#) for cross-border entities. The new framework (TIBER-EU) looks to help entities gain insight about their protection and detection and to help them fight cyber attacks.

- ESMA publishes translations for guidelines on transfer of data between repositories

These [translations](#) are aimed at the NCAs to which these guidelines apply, they should notify ESMA whether they comply or intend to comply, within two months of the date of publication.

- [EIOPA publishes risk dashboard for April 2018](#)

All [risks](#) remain at a medium level and constant, with the exception of macro risks, which are at high level but constant, due to the low interest rate environment.

SPAIN

- [BdE publishes financial stability report](#)

The [report](#) identifies as main risk factors for financial stability: i) downward pressure in bank profitability and ii) a potential sharp correction in the price of financial assets.

- [CNMV approves amendment to BME Clearing regulation](#)

The amendment allows BME Clearing (CCP) to [increase and improve](#) the offer of register accounts and it also approves four agreements between BME and trading platforms.

UNITED STATES

- [OCC adopts rule to increase appraisal threshold for commercial real estate transactions](#)

[Increases](#) the threshold from \$250,000 to \$500,000. Transactions at or below this level have lower requirements. The final rule became effective on 9 April 2018.

- [OCC issues monthly CRA evaluations](#)

Publishes list with [CRA evaluations](#) of 22 national banks and Federal Savings Associations, Results: 1 bank is rated outstanding, 20 banks are rated satisfactory, and one needs to improve.

Recent publications of interest (in English and Spanish):

- [Press Article](#). Liquidity or moratorium? March 2018
- [Press Article](#). Sustainable finance: less and less green. March 2018
- [Digital Economy Outlook](#). March 2018
- [Banking Outlook](#). February 2018
- [Financial Regulation Outlook](#). April 2018

Previous editions of our Weekly Regulatory Update in [Spanish](#) and [English](#).

This document has been prepared by BBVA Research Department, it is provided for information purposes only and expresses data, opinions or estimations regarding the date of issue of the report, prepared by BBVA or obtained from or based on sources we consider to be reliable, and have not been independently verified by BBVA. Therefore, BBVA offers no warranty, either express or implicit, regarding its accuracy, integrity or correctness.

Estimations this document may contain have been undertaken according to generally accepted methodologies and should be considered as forecasts or projections. Results obtained in the past, either positive or negative, are no guarantee of future performance. This document and its contents are subject to changes without prior notice depending on variables such as the economic context or market fluctuations. BBVA is not responsible for updating these contents or for giving notice of such changes.

BBVA accepts no liability for any loss, direct or indirect, that may result from the use of this document or its contents.

This document and its contents do not constitute an offer, invitation or solicitation to purchase, divest or enter into any interest in financial assets or instruments. Neither shall this document nor its contents form the basis of any contract, commitment or decision of any kind.

In regard to investment in financial assets related to economic variables this document may cover, readers should be aware that under no circumstances should they base their investment decisions in the information contained in this document. Those persons or entities offering investment products to these potential investors are legally required to provide the information needed for them to take an appropriate investment decision.

The content of this document is protected by intellectual property laws. It is forbidden its reproduction, transformation, distribution, public communication, making available, extraction, reuse, forwarding or use of any nature by any means or process, except in cases where it is legally permitted or expressly authorized by BBVA.