

# Financial Regulation: Weekly Update. 29 January 2016

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## EUROPE

- [The Italian Ministry of Finance publishes agreement on bad bank](#)

This [allows](#) the Italian banking sector to dispose of its doubtful loans. The EC confirms that this does not infringe the state aid regulations.

- [ESAs send letter to the EC on cross-selling of financial products in the EU](#)

Expresses concerns on the [regulatory inconsistencies](#), and requests evaluation and measures to achieve consistency between the banking, insurance and investment sectors.

- [EC reports on eligible capital to the European Parliament and Council](#)

It considers it [appropriate](#) to maintain the current definition, which limits the amount of Tier 2 capital to include in terms of complying with the CRR large exposure limits.

- [EP adopts report on stocktaking and challenges in the regulation of financial services](#)

After the plenary vote of 19 Jan, the EP adopts the [text](#) of legislative progress and challenges regarding capital markets union.

- [EBA launches impact assessment of IFRS 9](#)

This is to help the EBA understand the [impact](#) of the application of the new standard on banks' regulatory own funds and their interaction with other prudential requirements.

- [ECB publishes opinion on the reform of the Greek Deposit Guarantee Scheme](#)

This [opinion](#) includes observations on the national implementation of the European Directive on deposit guarantees.

- [EIOPA publishes results of the first EU stress test on the occupational pension fund sector](#)

[These demonstrate](#) that the IORPs are relatively more resilient to increases in longevity than to market adverse scenarios.

- [EIOPA publishes opinion on calculation methods for group solvency](#)

Asks for clarifications on [issues](#) such as the determination of the basis for the level used in the eligibility of own funds in the use of combined methods.

- [ESMA on the methodologies of credit rating agencies \(CRAs\)](#)

[Open hearing](#) on the validation and review of five categories of indicators identified by EMSA to evaluate the methodologies used by the CRAs.

- [Belgian Central Bank notifies ESRB on counter-cyclical buffer \(CCB\)](#)

Shortens [the transition period](#) and recognises the shorter transition periods of other jurisdictions, recalling that the CCB came into force on 1 Jan.

- [ESMA signs memoranda of understanding with authorities in Mexico and South Africa](#)

On complying and recognising the conditions of covered CCPs in [Mexico](#) and [South Africa](#) respectively.

## SPAIN

- [Bank of Spain analyses the most important financial regulation issues in 4Q15](#)

Highlights [include](#): contributions to the Single Resolution Fund, developments in recovery and resolution of banking entities and a Directive on payment services.

- [Bank of Spain consults on modification to accounting circular](#)

Consultation on modifications to [Annex IX](#), on analysis and coverage of risks, to adapt it to the latest banking regulations. Deadline: 19 Feb.

- [CNMV consults on information pamphlet on tariffs and content of interest-rate contracts](#)

In relation to the Draft Circular with the objective of [improving](#) investor understanding thanks to more transparency and comparability. Deadline: 11 Feb.

- [Official State Gazette publishes new notification models](#)

CNMV Circular on significant shareholdings, treasury stock transactions and other. Effective date: 28 Jan.

## UNITED STATES

- [Fed on stress tests and the comprehensive capital analysis and review \(CCAR\) for 2016](#)

[Releases](#) supervisory scenarios for CCAR and Dodd-Frank Act stress test exercises, along with instructions

addressed to firms participating in 2016 exercise.

- [FDIC consults on deposit guarantees of small banks](#)

Review of the [contributions](#) made by banks with assets of less than USD10,000 mn. Deadline: 30 days after publication in the Federal Register.

Recent publications of interest (in English and Spanish)

- [Regulation Watch](#). Resolution regimes in Latin America
- [Press article](#). Is there room for more financial regulation in 2016?
- [Financial Regulation Outlook](#). Special Edition. January 2016
- [Digital Economy Outlook](#). January 2016
- [Regulation Flash](#). Single Resolution Fund on Schedule
- [Banking Outlook](#). December 2015

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