

Financial Regulation: Weekly Update. 20 May 2016

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GLOBAL

- [IOSCO reviews implementation of principles for financial benchmarks](#)

Second [review](#) of the action taken by administrators of EURIBOR, LIBOR and TIBOR to implement the recommendations of the first review.

EUROPE

- [ESRB releases review of macroprudential policy in the EU in 2015](#)

Measures significantly [increased](#). Some MS introduced the countercyclical capital buffer before 1 Jan 2016, most set G-SIIs and O-SIIs' buffers. Real estate is still a top priority.

- [COREPER agrees with EP a one-year delay in MiFID II and MiFIR](#)

[Deadline](#) to transpose MIFID II into national legislation: 3 Jul 2017. MiFID II and MiFIR application: 3 Jan 2018. Next steps: EP approval and submission to Council for adoption.

- [EU Council adopts Regulation on indices used as benchmarks in financial instruments](#)

[Regulation](#) that aims to enhance the reliability of financial benchmarks. Entry into force: following publication in the OJEU.

- [EIOPA publishes report on supervisory colleges for insurance groups in Europe](#)

The number of [colleges](#) has increased in 2015. The report focuses on: i) coordination agreements, ii) approval of internal models and iii) transparency.

- [EBA on the use of unsolicited credit assessments by credit rating agencies](#)

[Decision](#) confirming their use for calculating institutions' capital requirements in the case of 22 agencies. Entry into force: 20 days after publication in the OJEU.

- [EP welcomes EC's plan for corporate tax information sharing by national authorities](#)

It would oblige firms to file a report in the EU MS in which the parent entity of the group resides. That information would be shared with other MS in which the company operates.

- EC publishes summary of contributions to the “Call for evidence”

Highlights that most replies related to: i) constraints on financing, ii) proportionality, iii) compliance, iv) reporting and disclosure, and v) overlaps, duplications and inconsistencies.

- ECB launches second consultation on options and discretions of solvency regulation

Comprises eight options and discretions to be harmonised, complementing previous work in the field. A public hearing is scheduled for 3 Jun. Deadline: 21 Jun.

- EP issues a working document on securitisation

Rapporteur (Paul Tang) **comments** on ongoing European legislative initiatives to promote simple, transparent and standardised securitisation.

- European Council adopts Network and Information Security (NIS) directive on cybersecurity

It will increase cooperation between MS on **cybersecurity**. It sets out requirements for operators of essential services and for digital service providers.

UNITED KINGDOM

- Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation created

The office will help UK businesses to **comply** with financial sanctions, by working closely with law enforcement.

UNITED STATES

- Agencies consult on Proposed Rule to Prohibit Incentive-Based Pay related to risk-taking

It **aims** to avoid inappropriate risk-taking in financial institutions (FIs). It will cover FIs with US\$1 billion or more. Requirements will depend on the FI's assets. Deadline: 22 Jul.

Recent publications of interest (in English and Spanish):

- **Regulation Watch**. Setting a limit to leverage in banking. May 2016
- **Presentation**. New requirements for loss absorbing capacity: TLAC and MREL
- **Financial Regulation Outlook**. May 2016.
- **Digital Economy Outlook**. May 2016

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