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• BIS publishes report on the implementation assessment of Basel III

Presents an overview of actions taken by countries to address deviations from Basel standards (as identified by their corresponding RCAPs).

EUROPE

• EC consults on the operation of the three ESAs

It seeks information to evaluate the ESAs' operations, in order to check whether they are delivering on their objectives and to look for areas for improvement. Deadline: 16 May.

• SSM publishes guidance on Non-Performing Loans (NPLs)

Contains criteria and good practices to build a strategy to manage and reduce NPL volumes, including governance and operative framework. Applicable as of its date of publication.

• ESMA publishes two guidelines under Central Securities Depository Regulation (CSDR)

i) On CSDs' access to CCPs or trading venues, specifies conditions under which access may be denied, detailing the different risks to take in account; ii) indicates how to define rules and procedures to address insolvency. It also includes other recommendations.

• ESMA publishes report on trends, risks and vulnerabilities

As risk drivers for 2017, it identifies political uncertainties such as repercussions from upcoming elections in various EU Member States. Market and credit risks remain very high.

• ESMA signs MoUs with non-EU regulators on CCPs

Under EMIR, ESMA has signed 5 MoUs with third country authorities to foster cooperation including the exchange of information and the EU recognition of several foreign CCPs.

• SSM publishes annual report on supervisory activities 2016

Summarises main supervisory contribution, authorisation and sanctioning processes, role in the EU and



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global supervisory scheme, decision-making challenges and budget expenditure.

• EBA publishes annual assessment of EU supervisory colleges for 2016

Level and quality of engagement in colleges improved during 2016. It highlights colleges' achievements, identifying areas for improvement and topics for 2017 supervisory agenda.

• SSM provides feedback on EP's input regarding Banking Union

Following EP's resolution on the Banking Union - Annual Report 2015, it provides feedback on SREP, single rulebook and reporting requirements, and transparency, among other issues.

• OJEU publishes Decision (EU) 2017/468 of the ECB

The Decision amends four Articles of Decision ECB/2010/10 on "non-compliance with statistical reporting requirements" and inserts an additional Article. Enters into force: 1 Apr.

• ESMA publishes translated guidelines

Releases the official translations of its final guidelines on the validation and review of Credit Rating Agencies methodologies. Guidelines become effective two months from this date.

SPAIN

• BdE keeps the countercyclical capital buffer (CCyB) unchanged at zero

It announces that the CCyB is kept at 0% for all credit exposures of Spanish institutions during 2Q-2017. This decision follows from the indicators used to assess systemic risk.

UNITED KINGDOM

• PRA issues consultation paper on regulated fees and levies

It seeks opinions on the proposal for fees and levies for 2017/18. It includes fee rates, changes in definitions and amendments to certain rules. Deadline: 24 May.

UNITED STATES

• Federal agencies issue joint report to Congress reviewing existing rules and regulations

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Federal Reserve, OCC, FDIC and NCUA jointly review rules and regulations in order to identify outdated or unnecessary regulations, with a special focus on smaller institutions.

Recent publications of interest (in English and Spanish):

- Press Article. Shadow banking: time to step out into the light. March 2017
- Regulation Watch. White Paper on the future of Europe. March 2017
- Regulation Watch. New package of banking reforms. November 2016
- Financial Regulation Outlook. January 2017
- Digital Economy Outlook. January 2017

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