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Highlights

The New Year saw a swathe of new publications as we reflect in this month's update.

On Brexit, there were a series of important regulatory developments. In particular, the notification process to enter the Temporary Permissions Regime opened. The FCA published a consultation paper on contractual continuity, which sets out the details of the Financial Services Contracts Regime, introduced by the UK Government's draft legislation. The Regime will enable firms that do not enter the Temporary Permissions Regime, or fail to be authorised by the end of it, to continue to service contracts entered into before Brexit and wind down their business in a smoother way.

In Fintech, cryptoassets were under the spotlight, with papers published by the FCA, EBA, ESMA and BIS. These included the FCA's perimeter guidance which seeks to help market participants with cryptoassets businesses understand whether they need to be authorised, what rules or regulations apply to their business, and how cryptoassets will be caught by the FCA's regulatory perimeter.

Furthermore, value for money continued to be a top regulatory priority. The FCA published a consultation paper on general insurance value measures reporting. The EBA, ESMA and EIOPA also published findings on the performance of structured deposits, retail investment products and insurance-based investment and personal pension products.

Finally, as 2019 began, regulators and supervisors set out some their priorities and areas of focus for the year ahead. The FCA published its sector views, which outlines its analysis of the changing financial landscape and implications for consumers and market effectiveness and, therefore, provides an indication of likely priority areas; and the BCBS set out its work programme for 2019/20.

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- Speech by Masayoshi Amamiya, Deputy
 Governor of the Bank of Japan, at the G20
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Glossary

AFMs = Authorised Fund Managers

AI = Artificial Intelligence

AIFMD = Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive

AMF = Autorité des Marchés Financiers

AML = Anti-Money Laundering

APA = Approved Publication Arrangement

AUM = Assets under management

BCBS = Basel Committee on Banking Supervision

BEAR = Banking Executive Accountability Regime

BIS = Bank for International Settlements

BMR = Benchmarks Regulation

BRRD = Bank Recovery and Resolution Directive

BTS = Binding Technical Standard

BoE = Bank of England

CBI = Central Bank of Ireland

CCP = Central Counterparty

CP= Consultation Paper

CTF = Counter Terrorist Financing

CISO = Chief Information Security Officer

CMA = Competition and Markets Authority

CMU = Capital Markets Union

CNMV = Comisión Nacional del Mercado de Valores

CQS = Credit Quality Step

CRD = Capital Requirements Directive

CRR = Capital Requirements Regulation

CROE = Cyber Resilience Oversight Expectations

CSSF = Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier

CTP = Consolidated Tape Provider

DB = Defined Benefit

DC = Defined Contribution

DP = Discussion Paper

DPA = Data Protection Agency

DRR = Digital Regulatory Reporting

EBA = European Banking Authority

ECB = European Central Bank

ECOFIN = Economic and Financial Affairs Council

EIOPA = European Insurance & Occupational Pensions Authority

EMEA = Europe, Middle East and Africa

EMIR = European Market Infrastructure Regulation

EONIA = Euro OverNight Index Average

ESAs = European Supervisory Authorities

ESG: Environmental, Social, and Governance

ESMA = European Securities & Markets Authority

ESRB = European Systemic Risk Board

ESTER = Euro Short-Term Rate

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EU = European Union

Euribor = Euro Interbank Offered Rate

FAMR = Financial Advice Market Review

FCA = Financial Conduct Authority

FinPro = Financial Protection

FGCA = Financial Guidance and Claims Act 2018

FMIs = Financial Market Infrastructures

FOS = Financial Ombudsman Service

FPC = Financial Policy Committee

FRTB = Fundamental Review of the Trading Book

FS = Financial Services

FSA = Financial Services Authority

FSB = Financial Stability Board

GBP = British pound sterling

GDP = Gross Domestic Product

GDPR = General Data Protection Regulation

GSIBs = Global Systemically Important Banks

HMT = Her Majesty's Treasury

IAIS = International Association of Insurance Supervisors

IASB = International Accounting Standards Board

IBOR = Interbank Offered Rate

ICAAP = Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process

ICO = Information Commissioners Office

ICS = Insurance Capital Standard

IDD = Insurance Distribution Directive

IFRS = International Financial Reporting Standards

ILAAP = Internal Liquidity Adequacy Assessment Process

IM = Initial Margin

IOSCO = International Organization of Securities Commissions

IPU = Intermediate Parent Undertaking

IRB = Internal Ratings Based

ISAs = Individual Savings Accounts

IT = Information Technology

JST = Joint Supervisory Teams

KID = Key Information Document

LEI = Legal Entity Identifier

LIBOR = London Interbank Offered Rate

LTV = Loan to Value

M&A = Mergers and Acquisitions

MI = Management Information

MiFID = Markets in Financial Instruments Directive

MiFIR = Markets in Financial Instruments Regulation

MLD = Money Laundering Directive

MoU = Memorandum of Understanding

MREL = Minimum requirement for own funds and eligible liabilities

MTF = Multilateral Trading Facility

NGFS = Network for Greening the Financial System

Risk and Regulation Monthly

NPLs = Non-performing Loans

NSFR = Net Stable Funding Ratio

OCIR - Operational Continuity in Resolution

ORSA = Own Risk and Solvency Assessment

OTF = Organised Trading Facility

OTC = Over the counter

PPI = Payment Protection Insurance

PRA = Prudential Regulation Authority

PRIF = Prudential Regime for Investment Firms

PRIIPs = Packaged Retail Investment and Insurance Products

PS = Policy Statement

PSD2 = Revised (second) Payment Services Directive

RDR = Retail Distribution Review

RFRs = Risk-Free Rates

RRM = Risk Reduction Measures

RTGS = Real Time Gross Settlement

RTS = Regulatory Technical Standard

RW = Risk Weight

SA = Standardised Approach

SFTR = Securities Financing Transactions Regulation

SI = Systematic Internaliser

SIPPs = Self Invested Personal Pensions

SM&CR = Senior Managers and Certification Regime

SONIA = Sterling Overnight Index Average

SRB = Single Resolution Board

SRF = Single Resolution Fund

SREP = Supervisory Review and Evaluation Process

SS = Supervisory Statement

SSM = Single Supervisory Mechanism

TCA = Total Capital Adequacy

TCFD = Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures

TIBER = Threat Intelligence-based Ethical Red Teaming

TLAC = Total Loss-Absorbing Capital

TMTP = Transitional Measure on Technical Provisions

TPP = Third-Party Providers

TPR = Temporary Permissions Regime

TRIM = Targeted Review of Internal Models

TRR = Temporary Recognition Regime

UCITS = Undertakings for Collective Investments in Transferable Securities

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