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Highlights

November was another busy month for regulators around the world as they continued to balance managing the challenges from the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic with priorities in other areas.

In the UK, following concerns raised by industry on the volume of regulatory reform in 2021, and responses to the Regulatory Initiatives Grid published in September 2020, HMT, the BoE and the FCA decided to defer implementation of CRR2 and IFPR to 1 January 2022. Their statement noted that HMT and the PRA's April statement on Basel 3.1 implementation, setting out their intention to implement Basel 3.1 in line with the BCBS' revised deadline of 1 January 2023, still applies.

Rishi Sunak, Chancellor of the Exchequer, gave a statement to the House of Commons on the future of financial services and the post-Brexit regulatory environment. HMT published a guidance document setting out its detailed approach to the equivalence procedures, highlighting that the UK has decided to incorporate almost all EU equivalence determinations into UK law. However, the UK Government has not on-shored decisions regarding Central Counterparties (CCPs).

At the EU-level, the EBA issued a significant discussion paper on incorporating ESG risks into the governance, risk management and supervision of credit institutions and investment firms. The paper focused on four main areas: firstly, creating common definitions of ESG risks and factors; secondly, the quantitative and qualitative indicators, metrics and methods for assessing ESG risks; thirdly, current practices of integrating ESG risks into firms' business strategies and governance; and finally, the integration of ESG risks into the Supervisory Review and Evaluation Process (SREP). The discussion paper precedes a final report due in mid-2021, which will then be followed by updates to the EBA's Guidelines and potential recommendations to make changes to level 1 legislation, bringing ESG risks into the remit of prudential supervisors.

On the international front, the FSB released a review of the market turmoil in March 2020. The review found that the breadth and dynamics of the economic shock and related liquidity stress in March were unprecedented, and underscored the need to strengthen the resilience of non-bank financial intermediation (NBFI). The review sets out an NBFI work programme, which focuses on three main areas: examining and addressing specific risk factors and markets that contributed to amplification of the shock; enhancing understanding of systemic risks in NBFI and the financial system as a whole, including interactions between banks and non-banks and cross-border spill-overs; and assessing policies to address systemic risks in NBFI.

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AFMs = Authorised Fund Managers

AI = Artificial Intelligence

AIFMD = Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive

ALMD = Anti Money Laundering Directive

AMF = Autorité des Marchés Financiers

AML = Anti-Money Laundering

APA = Approved Publication Arrangement

AUM = Assets under management

BBLS = Bounce Back Loan Scheme

BCBS = Basel Committee on Banking Supervision

BEAR = Banking Executive Accountability Regime

BEIS = Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy

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

CCFF = Covid Corporate Financing Facility

CBILS = Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme

CLBILS = Coronavirus Large Business Interruption Loan Scheme

CISO = Chief Information Security Officer

CMA = Competition and Markets Authority

CMU = Capital Markets Union

CNMV = Comisión Nacional del Mercado de Valores

CPMI = Committee on Payments and Market Infrastructures

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

CTRF = Contingent Term Repo Facility

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 Over Night 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

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

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

IBA = ICE Benchmark Administration

IBOR = Interbank Offered Rate

ICAAP = Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process

ICO = Information Commissioners Office

ICS = Insurance Capital Standard

IDD = Insurance Distribution Directive

IFD = Investment Firms Directive

IFR = Investment Firms Regulation

IFPR = Investment Firms Prudential Regulation

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

IRRBB = Interest Rate Risk in the Banking Book

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

MAR = Market Abuse Regulation

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

NCA = National Competent Authority

NED = Non-Executive Director

NGFS = Network for Greening the Financial System

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

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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