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#### **Abstract**

This paper prepared by the Policy Department A provides a graphic overview on core legislation in the area of economic and financial services. The presentation essentially covers the areas within the responsibility of the Economic and Monetary Affairs Committee (ECON); hence it starts with core ECON areas but also displays neighbouring areas of other Committees' competences which are closely connected to and impacting on ECON's work. It shows legislation in force, proposals and other relevant provisions on i.a. banking, securities markets and investment firms, market infrastructure, insurance and occupational pensions, payment services, consumer protection in financial services, the European System of Financial Supervision, European Monetary Union, Euro bills and Coins and statistics, competition, taxation, commerce and company law, accounting and auditing.

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#### LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ADR	Alternative Dispute Resolution						
<b>AIFMD</b>	Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive 2011/61/EU						
<b>AMLD</b>	Anti-Money Laundering Directive 2005/60/EC						
ARC	Accounting Regulatory Committee						
AuRC	Audit Regulatory Committee						
BER	Block Exemption Regulation						
BRRD	Banking Recovery and Resolution Directive [proposal COM(2012) 280]						
CBM	Cross-border Mergers Directive 2005/56/EC						
CCCTB	Common Consolidated Corporate Tax Base						
CCD	Consumer Credit Directive 2008/48/EC						
CCI	Convergence and Competitive Instruments						
CIWUD	Winding up of Credit Institutions Directive 2001/24/EC						
CPMLTF	Committee on the Prevention of Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing [regulatory committee]						
CRA	Credit Ratings Agencies [see CRA Regulation (EU) No 1060/2009]						
CRD	Capital Requirements Directive 2013/36/EU [CRD IV]						
CRR	Capital Requirements Regulation (EU) No 575/2013						
CSD	Central Securities Depositories [proposal COM(2012) 73]						
DGSD	Deposit Guarantee Schemes Directive 94/19/EC [proposed recast COM(2010) 368]						
EBA	European Banking Authority [Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010]						
ECB	European Central Bank						
<b>ECON</b>	Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs						
ECS	European Cooperative Society [Council Regulation (EC) No 1435/2003]						
EDP	Excessive Deficit Procedure						
EEA	European Economic Area						
EEIG	European Economic Interest Grouping [Regulation (EEC) no 2137/85]						
<b>EFRAG</b>	European Financial Reporting Advisory Group						
EFSF	European Financial Stability Facility						
<b>EFSM</b>	European Financial Stability Mechanism						
<b>EGBIP</b>	Expert Group on Banking, Insurance and Payments						
<b>EGMLTF</b>	Expert Group on Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing						
ELOPA	European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority						

**EMIR** European Market Infrastructure Regulation (EU) No 648/2012

**ELTIF** European Long-Term Investment Funds [proposed regulation

**EIOPC** European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Committee

[Regulation (EU) No 1094/2010]

COM(2013) 462]

- **EMPL** Committee on Employment and Social Affairs
  - **EMU** European Monetary Union
  - ESA European System of (national and regional) Accounts [Regulation (EU) No 549/2013]
- **ESAs** European Supervisory Authorities
- **ESFS** European System of Financial Supervision
- **ESM** European Stability Mechanism
- **ESMA** European Securities and Markets Authoritiy [Regulation (EU) No 1095/2010]
- ESRB European Systemic Risk Board [Regulation (EU) No 1092/2010]
  - ESS European System of Statistics [Regulation (EC) No 223/2009 on European statistics]
  - ETD Energy Taxation Directive 2003/96/EC [proposed amendment COM(2011) 169]
    - **EU** European Union
- **EuSEF** European Social Entrepreneurship Funds [Regulation (EU) No 346/2013]
- **EUVECA** European Venture Capital Funds [Regulation (EU) No 345/2013]
  - FiCoD Financial Conglomerates Directive 2002/87/EC
    - FTT Financial Transaction Tax [proposal COM(2013) 71]
  - **GDPR** General Data Protection Regulation [proposal COM(2012)11]
  - **GPSD** General Product Safety Directive 2001/95/EC
    - IAS International Accounting Standards [see Regulation (EC) No 1606/20021
  - ICSD Investor Compensation Schemes Directive 97/9/EC [proposed amendment COM(2010) 371]
    - **IIA** Inter-Institutional Agreement
  - **IMCO** Committee on Internal Market and Consumer Protection
    - IMD Insurance Mediation Directive 2002/92/EC [proposed amendment COM(2012) 360]
  - IORP Institutions for occupational Retirement Provision [see IORP Directive 2003/41/EC and proposed recast COM(2014) 167]
    - I+R Interest and Royalty Payments [I+R Directive 2003/49/EC and proposed recast COM(2011) 714]
  - JURI Committee on Legal Affairs
  - **KID** Key Information Document [see PRIPs]
  - LIBE Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affaires
  - MAD Market Abuse Directive 2003/6/EC [proposed amendment COM(2011) 651 and COM(2011) 654]
  - MAR Market Abuse Regulation [proposal COM(2011) 651]
  - MIFs Multilateral Interchange Fees [proposed MIF Regulation COM(2013) 550]
  - MiFID Markets in Financial Instruments Directive 2004/39/EC [proposed recast COM(2011) 656]

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- MiFIR Markets in Financial Instruments Regulation [proposal COM(2011) 652]
  - MIP Macroeconomic Imbalance Procedure
- MMF Money Market Funds [proposed regulation COM(2013) 615 final]
- MOSS Mini One Stop Shop
  - **MoU** Memorandum of Understanding
    - MS Member State
  - **ODR** Online Dispute Resolution
- OMNIBUS I Directive 2010/78/EU and Directive 2014/51/EU [N.B. these OMNIBUS II Directives are called 'Omnibus' because they amended multiple Directives in view of adapting them to the ESFS, in order to take account of the new supervisory authorities EBA, EIOPA and ESMA]
  - PRIPs Packaged Retail Investment Products [proposed regulation COM(2012) 352 also called Key Information Document, KID]
    - PSD Payment Services Directive 2007/64/EC [proposed repeal COM(2013) 547]
    - **QRM** Quick Reaction Meachnism [against VAT fraud]
    - SAD Statutory Audit Directive 2006/43/EC [proposed amendment COM(2011) 778]
      - SE Societas Europaea [see Regulation (EC) No 2157/2001]
    - **SEPA** Single Euro Payments Area [see SEPA Regulation (EC) No 924/2009]
      - SFD Settlement Finality Directive 98/26/EC
    - **SGEI** Services of General Economic Interest
    - SGP Stability and Growth Pact
    - **SMEs** Small and medium-sized Enterprises
      - SPE Societas Privata Europaea [see proposed European Private Company regulation COM(2008) 396; recently withdrawn, see 2014/C 153/03]
    - **SRM** Single Resolution Mechanism [proposed regulation COM(2013) 520]
    - **SRF** Single Resolution Fund
    - SSM Single Supervisory Mechanism [see proposed ECB SSM Task Regulation (EU) No 1024/2013 and amendment to the EBA Regulation (EU) No 1022/2013]
    - SSR Short Selling Regulation (EU) No 236/2012
    - **R&D** Research and Development
    - **TBD** Takeover Bids Directive 2004/25/EC
    - **TFEU** Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union
      - **T2S** TARGET 2 Securities [System]
  - UCITS Undertakings for collective Investment in transferable Securities [see UCITS IV directive 2009/65/EC and proposed amendment COM(2012) 350]
    - **VAT** Value Added Tax [see VAT Directive 2006/112/EC]

#### INTRODUCTION

The European Parliament Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (ECON) is continuously interested in the **coherence** of the *Acquis* and the **consistency of definitions** contained in legislation within its competence. The Committee also requested a **mapping overview of main EU economic and financial services legislation** which could serve as mapping background for further deliberations.

This **systematic overview** of main economic and financial services legislation consists primarily of **14 policy areas** relevant for ECON, listed in accordance with ECON's competences (banking, securities markets and investment firms, market infrastructure, insurance and occupational pensions, payment services, consumer protection in financial services, the European System of Financial Supervision, Monetary Union, competition, taxation) but extends to some other areas which have a bearing on ECON topics, too (e.g. commerce and company law, accounting/auditing, data and consumer protection).

These schemata **do not aim to achieve completeness** but provide a practical overview. In order to structure the overview in an accessible way, only the most relevant pieces of legislation based on their impact and importance in the specific areas for users are shown. Thus, it was necessary to **focus on main Directives and Regulations** and in general to **leave out delegated and implementing acts**. Also, only the most important (policy planning) texts such as Green or White Papers, Commission Communications, Commission Notices or Guidelines have been included, in particular in the field of competition. The full overview of the *Acquis* can be accessed via Eur-Lex, see for all areas <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/browse/directories/legislation.html">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/browse/directories/legislation.html</a> (which displays at the end of the page, for instance, as of May 2014 as adopted 1818 acts for competition policy, 191 for taxation, 556 for economic and monetary policy and free movement of capital; or - digging deeper into sectoral service activities - e.g. 38 acts for insurance, 24 for banks, and 46 for stock exchanges and other securities markets; however, these figures include i.a. Commission delegated and implementing acts).

Considering **legislation already in force**, many acts in the area of capital markets legislation, consumer protection in financial services and taxation were considered. More regulatory stability has been achieved in economic and monetary affairs. As regards insurance and occupational pensions, the number of legislative acts in force will be reduced and centralised when Solvency II will be fully implemented and applicable; hence the overview takes account of this. Concerning the detailed set of rules in the field of competition, the coverage of this overview also expands to Commission Notices, Commission Communications or Guidelines due to the direct applicability provided for in the Treaty. The overview is more static on taxation where mainly the Council is in charge and the requirement of unanimity reflects on the speed of decision making. The area of capital markets ranks first as regards the number of legislation in force and **pending acts of legislation** - i.e. proposals under discussion - as well, but it is closely followed by taxation. Banking und payment services display lower scores in this regard.

The overview was **finalised in May 2014**, therefore some legislation on which political agreement was already achieved but which has not yet been published in the Official Journal is mentioned in its proposal state (e.g. BRRD).

In general but also due to the financial crisis impact, ECON subjects are an area of high frequency legislative activity. In view of the many Directives and Regulations adopted which contain provisions for delegated and implementing acts, the European Parliament will have to deal with a wave of such acts as an echo to previous law making - next to some yet non-discussed proposals and future proposals by the European Commission.

#### LEGEND: HOW TO READ THIS DOCUMENT

#### Colours (background of the boxes):

... Directive

dark blue: adopted legal acts (mainly in ordinary legislative procedure)

<u>dotted lines</u> between boxes highlight specific connections between the legal acts with regard to content or pending legislative procedures

Proposal ... Regulation

light blue: proposed legal acts

Green/White Paper on ...

grey: possibly envisaged legal acts, Green Papers, White Papers and other relevant provisions

Intergov.

Orange with frame: Intergovernmental Treaties in the area of EMU

Notes: below the boxes contain additional comments/details on the particular category

Fonts: normal (directives), italics (regulations); bold (important acts in that field)

**Asterix (\*):** legal act relates to several categories and is therefore listed several times

Titles: short titles of legal acts in graphic boxes; official titles provided in the endnotes

**Size of Boxes:** In general, the size of the boxes does not indicate the relevance of the legal acts. However, there is one exception for MAD, MiFID and IORP. Those have been enlarged in order to stress their importance in chapter 2. and chapter 4.

**Order:** The aim was to sort legislation according to the **relevance** in each category and subcategory. Consequently, the acts of legislation considered to be the most relevant are to be found on the left, the least relevant acts on the right.

Legal acts referring to supervisory law or supervisory/regulatory entities and committees follow a different structure. All of those are **listed above** at the beginning of each overview (see e.g. the EBA Regulation listed in chapter 1.).

While most chapters consist mainly only of 'Union (ex Community) method' legislation adopted in **ordinary legislative procedure** (ex co-decision), chapter 8. also indicates important **intergovernmental treaties**. There are only few legislative acts based on the ordinary legislative procedure involving the European Parliament in chapter 10. (as most areas in taxation are in the exclusive competence of the Council) and in chapter 9. (due to European Commission competence based directly on Treaty provisions).

A slightly different structure is applied for MAD, MiFID and IORP in order to highlight their relation with pending revisions and proposals (dotted lines between boxes, see 'colours'). For the relevance of MAD, MiFID and IORP see 'size of boxes'.

#### Miscellaneous:

- where helpful and necessary, categories are sub-divided in categories by titles,
   e.g. chapter 1. Banking (core banking, resolution and cross-sectoral issues);
- secondary legislation (delegated/implementing acts) are not included (except in chapter 9. Competition and chapter 10. Taxation);
- hyperlinks, in particular to consolidated versions are mentioned in endnotes;
- additional provisions are generally mentioned in 'notes', if considered relevant they are listed in boxes though.

# 1. BANKING (INCL. DEPOSIT GUARANTEE SCHEMES AND RESOLUTION)

European Banking Authority Regulation (EBA)* <sup>2</sup>								
EBA SSM Regulation*3								
ECB SSM Task Regulation* <sup>4</sup> European Banking Committee (EBC) <sup>5</sup>								
	Expert		king, Insurance and P					
Co	re Banking		r	Resolution	Cross-Sectoral			
Banking Directive (CRD I V)* <sup>7</sup>	Banking Regulation (CRR)* <sup>8</sup>	Consumer Credit Directive (CCD)*9	Deposit-	Winding up of	Financial Conglomerates Directive (FiCoD)* <sup>12</sup>			
Annual Accounts and consolidated Accounts of Banks Directive*13	Branches Obligations Directive* <sup>14</sup>	Mortgage Credit Directive* <sup>15</sup>	Guarantee Schemes Directive (DGSD) <sup>10</sup>	Credit Institutions Directive (CIWUD)*11	Distance Marketing Directive* <sup>16</sup>			
Fair Value Directive* <sup>17</sup>		Proposal Payment Accounts Directive* <sup>18</sup>	Proposal DGSD [recast] <sup>19</sup>	Proposal Recovery and Resolution Directive (BRRD)*20	Proposal Transparency of Securities financing Transactions Regulation <sup>21</sup>			
Proposal Banking Structural Reform Regulation <sup>22</sup>		Proposal Multilateral interchange Fees Regulation (MIFs)* <sup>23</sup>		Proposal Single Resolution Mechanism Regulation (SRM)* <sup>24</sup>				
				SRF Intergovernmental Agreement* <sup>25</sup>	Communication on Shadow Banking* <sup>26</sup>			
					Communication on long-term financing of European Economy* <sup>27</sup>			

- In regard to the Single Supervisory Mechanism (SSM), i.e. supervision by the ECB, see chapter 7.
- The Acquisitions Directive\*28 2007/44/EC pertaining to three Insurance Directives, MiFID, and CRD III has been formally repealed (in Solvency II) only as regards the insurance articles. As regards Article 5 on CRD III, CRD IV has not repealed this Article, but its provisions are contained in CRD IV and CRD III is repealed as of 1 January 2014. The review Report of the Commission due by 21 March 2011 was delivered on 11 February 2013 (COM(2013) 64 final).
- The Commission Communication on Long-Term Financing of the European Economy (see chapter 2.) refers to the role for banks in the channelling of financing to long-term investments. Omnibus I (see chapter 7.) amends several legal acts to implement and harmonise the field of operation of the ESAs, including the EBA.
- Banks and financial institutions listed on stock exchanges are obliged to follow the International Accounting Standards adopted by the EU, as well as the relevant company law and other relevant directives (see chapter 12. - 14.), as applied in the EU Member States.

#### 2. SECURITIES MARKETS AND INVESTMENT FIRMS

	European Securities and Markets Authority Regulation (ESMA) $^{\star29}$							
	European Securities Committee (ESC) <sup>30</sup>							
	Expe	rt Group of the	European Se	curities Co	mmitte	e (EGESC) <sup>31</sup>		
	Se	curities Marke	ts			Investme	ent Firms	
Prospectus Directive*32	Trans- parency Directive* <sup>33</sup>	Listing Directive <sup>34</sup>	Short Selling Regulation (SSR) <sup>35</sup>	Taked Bid Direc (TBD)	ls tive	Financial Conglomerates Directive (FiCoD)* <sup>37</sup>	Banking Directive (CRD IV)* <sup>38</sup>	
	se Directive	Investor- Compen- sation-	Financial Collateral Agree- ments Directive*		Markets in Financial I nstruments Directive (MiFID) <sup>42</sup>		Banking Regulation (CRR)* <sup>43</sup>	
(MA	D) <sup>39</sup>	Schemes Directive (ICSD) <sup>40</sup>	Credit Ratings Agencies Regulation (CRA) <sup>44</sup>				Fair Value Directive* <sup>45</sup>	
Proposal   MAD II <sup>46</sup>	Proposal Market Abuse Regulation (MAR) <sup>47</sup>	Proposal Directive amending ICSD <sup>48</sup>	Proposal Bench- mark Regulation	Proposal MiFID II <sup>50</sup>		Proposal Markets in Financial Instruments Regulation (MiFIR) <sup>51</sup>	Proposal Recovery and Resolution Directive (BRRD)* <sup>52</sup>	
Document	/ Information Regulation RIPs)* <sup>53</sup>	transparency of securities financing (long			(long-	ending Proposal term shareholder gagement)* <sup>55</sup>		
Communication on long-term financing of European Economy* <sup>56</sup> Communication on Shadow Banking* <sup>57</sup>								

#### Notes:

- Due to lack of space on this page, the area of 'Market Infrastructure (Clearing & Settlement)' is displayed on the next page although it pertains to securities markets.
- The Acquisitions Directive\*58 2007/44/EC pertaining to three Insurance Directives, MiFID and CRD III has been formally repealed only for the insurance Directives (in Solvency II). As regards Article 3 on MiFID, the MiFID II proposal has not repealed this Article 3, but as its provisions are contained in the MiFID II text and as MiFID will be repealed in due course, Article 3 of the Acquisitions Directive may be assumed to be 'caduc' in the near future. The review Report of the Commission (due by 21 March 2011) was delivered on 11 February 2013 (COM(2013) 64 final).
- According to some directives (e.g. MiFID), there is also a role for the other ESAs (EBA and/or EIOPA) in certain areas.
- Green Paper on shadow banking (see chapter 1.) refers to aspects on securities lending and securitisation.
- Omnibus I (see chapter 7.) amends legal acts to implement and harmonise the field of operation of ESAs.

# 3. INVESTMENT FUNDS AND MANAGERS; MARKET INFRASTRUCTURE

ESMA Regulation* <sup>59</sup>											
	European Securities Committee (EBC) <sup>60</sup>										
	Expert Group of	the Europ	ean Se	ecurities Committee (EC	GESC) <sup>61</sup>						
Inve	estment Vehicles				t Infrastructure ng & Settlement)						
Undertakings for collective Investment in	European Venture Capital Funds Regulation (EuVECA) <sup>63</sup>	Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive (AI FMD) <sup>64</sup>		Investment Fund		Investment Fund		Investment Fund		European Market Infrastructure	Settlement Finality Directive (SFD)* <sup>66</sup>
transferable Securities Directive (UCITS IV) <sup>62</sup>	European Social Entrepreneurship Funds Regulation (EuSEF) <sup>67</sup>			Regulation (EMI R) <sup>65</sup>	Financial Collateral Agreements Directive* <sup>68</sup>						
Proposal amending UCITS Directive (UCITS V) <sup>69</sup>	Proposal European long- term Investment Funds Regulation (ELTIF) <sup>70</sup>			Proposal Central Securities Depositories Regulation (CSD) <sup>71</sup>							
Proposal Money Market Funds Regulation (MMF) <sup>72</sup>	Amending Proposa term sharehol engagement)	holder trans		posal Reporting and sparency of securities ancing transactions Regulation* <sup>74</sup>							
Communication on Shadow Banking* <sup>75</sup>					n on long-term financing of pean Economy* <sup>76</sup>						

- The area of 'Market Infrastructure (Clearing & Settlement)' is displayed here together with Investment Vehicles due to lack of space on the previous overview; subject-wise, C&S pertains mainly to the area of securities markets.
- According to some directives (e.g. EMIR), there is also a role for the other ESAs (EBA and/or EIOPA) in certain areas.
- Legislation such as EuSEF, ELTIF, etc. shall also benefit small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs).
- The 'Communication on long-term financing of European Economy' (COM(2014) 168) outlines a multitude of envisaged actions in the area of i.a. banking, pension funds, private savings accounts, equity and corporate bond markets, securitisation, covered bonds, private placements, SMEs access to finance, project bonds, corporate governance, accounting standards and tax and legal environment.
- In the area of Central Securities Depositories, the European Central Bank's future TARGET2Securities (T2S) system will have a market impact (for detailed information see <a href="https://www.ecb.europa.eu/paym/t2s/html/index.en.html">https://www.ecb.europa.eu/paym/t2s/html/index.en.html</a>).

#### 4. INSURANCE AND OCCUPATIONAL PENSIONS

European Insurance and occupational Pensions Authority Regulation (EIOPA)*77								
EIOPC Council Di	EIOPC Council Directive <sup>78</sup> [comitology] and Commission Decision on establishing the EIOPC <sup>79</sup> [advisory]							
Expert Group on Banking, Insurance and Payments (EGBIP) <sup>80</sup>								
	Insurance Un	dertakings		Occupational Pensions				
Solvency II <sup>81</sup>	Financial Conglomerates Directive (FiCoD)*82	[EU-CH] Agreement implementing	Insurance Mediation Directive	IORP Directive <sup>85</sup>				
Omnibus I I Directive <sup>86</sup>	Insurance Accounts Directive*87	Directive <sup>83</sup>	(IMD)* <sup>84</sup>					
	Fair Value Directive* <sup>89</sup>	Agreement between	IMD II [recast]* <sup>91</sup>	IORP II [recast] <sup>92</sup>				
Final Report of the Commission Expert Group on European Insurance Contract Law <sup>88</sup>		the EEC and the Swiss Confederation on direct Insurance other than Life		Commission report on key aspects of the IORP Directive <sup>93</sup>				
		Assurance <sup>90</sup>		White Paper sustainable Pensions <sup>94</sup>				
Communication on lo	ong-term financing of E	uropean Economy*95	Communication	n on Shadow Banking* <sup>96</sup>				

- Solvency II repeals by 1 January 2016: 73/239/EEC (Non-Life Insurance Directive<sup>97</sup>), 98/78/EC (Insurance Groups Directive<sup>98</sup>), 2001/17/EC (Winding Up of Insurance Undertakings Directive<sup>99</sup>), 2002/83/EC (Life Assurance Directive<sup>100</sup>), and 2005/68/EC (Reinsurance Directive<sup>101</sup>); they are thus not contained in this overview.
- Further non-life insurance Directives exist for the following sectors: tourist assistance, legal expenses and motor vehicle liability.
- The Acquisitions Directive\*102 2007/44/EC pertaining to the Third non-life insurance Directive, the Live insurance Directive, the MiFID, the Reinsurance Directive and CRD III will be repealed for the three Insurance Directives when Solvency II is applicable (1 January 2016, see Annex VI Part A of Solvency II). The review Report (due by 21 March 2011) was delivered on 11 February 2013 (COM(2013) 64 final).
- Omnibus I (see chapter 7.) amends legal acts to implement and harmonise the field of operation of ESAs. Omnibus II adapts the Directives in the insurance field and Solvency II to the new ESAs framework but also amends Solvency II on substance.
- The Insurance Committee Directive 91/675/EEC<sup>103</sup> has been amended by the Directive on establishing a new organisational Structure for Financial Services Committees 2005/1/EC<sup>104</sup> which changed in its Article 5 the initial reference to the Insurance Committee to the 'European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Committee' (EIOPC) which had been established (also) by Commission Decision 2004/9/EC.<sup>105</sup> The EIOPC advises the Commission based on the Commission Decision and it acts as a 'comitology' committee based on the Council Directive.
- The Proposal for a Directive modernising VAT for insurance and financial services<sup>106</sup> shall create more certainty and security for insurance institutions by setting clear definitions of exempt services.
- The Commission Communication on Long-Term Financing of the European Economy also refers to insurance undertakings and pension funds.

5. PAYMENT SERVICES AND ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING

# (AML)

	Anti-Mone	Anti-Money Laundering				
Expert Group on Banking, Insurance and Payments (EGBIP) <sup>107</sup>					CPMLTF <sup>108</sup> [regulatory committee] / EGMLTF	
Payment Services	SEPA Regulation <sup>111</sup> Funds Transfers		E-Money Directive <sup>112</sup>	Controls of Cash Regulation <sup>113</sup>	Protection of the euro against Counterfeiting Regulation* <sup>114</sup>	
Directive (PSD)* <sup>109</sup>	Regulation* <sup>110</sup>	Euro Credit and Debit Transfer Regulation (SEPA) <sup>115</sup>	Settlement Finality Directive (SFD)* <sup>116</sup>	AMLD III <sup>117</sup>	Funds Transfers Regulation* <sup>118</sup>	
Proposal PSD II* <sup>119</sup>	Proposal Revision Funds Transfers Regulation* <sup>120</sup>	Proposal Multilateral interchange Fees Regulation (MIFs)* <sup>121</sup>	Proposal Payments Accounts Directive* <sup>122</sup>	Proposal AMLD IV <sup>123</sup>	Proposal Revision Funds Transfers Regulation; <sup>124</sup>	
		Green Paper on Cards <sup>125</sup>				

#### Notes:

- Anti-Money Laundering: Several other Financial Sanctions Regulations aspects concerning of Anti-Money Laundering (see http://ec.europa.eu/internal\_market/company/financial-crime/index\_en.htm#kl\_legaltext for details).
- Anti-Money Laundering is a horizontal issue which touches upon company law, payment systems, criminal law/sanctions, and financial crime. Thus, the LIBE Committee is involved. The link with company law is established by the discussion about 'beneficial owner' (registries), i.e. the appropriate identification and disclosure of the ultimate ownership of funds/assets.
- The Directive 2011/7/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 February 2011 on combating late payment in commercial transactions pertain to civil law.

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#### 6. CONSUMER PROTECTION IN FINANCIAL SERVICES

Financial Services				General Consumer Protection			
Credit & retail services	Payment services	Insurance	Redress & education		General rights & digital	Specific consumer protection	
Distance Marketing Directive* <sup>126</sup>			Direct consi ADF	umer	Consumer Rights Directive <sup>128</sup>	Unfair Commercial Practices Directive <sup>129</sup>	
Consumer Credit Directive (CCD)* <sup>130</sup>			Regulation on Consumer ODR <sup>131</sup>		Consumer Protection Cooperation Regulation <sup>132</sup>	Misleading Advertising Directive <sup>133</sup>	
Mortgage Credit Directive* <sup>134</sup>	Payment Services Directive (PSD) <sup>135</sup>	Insurance Mediation Directive (IMD)* <sup>136</sup>	Injuncti the Pro of Cons Direct	tection sumers	Electronic Commerce Directive <sup>138</sup>	Unfair Contract Terms Directive <sup>139</sup>	
	Proposal PSD II * <sup>140</sup>	IMD II [recast]* <sup>141</sup>	Small Proce Regulat	edure	Copyright in information society Directive143	Price Indication Directive <sup>144</sup>	
Proposal Key Information Document Regulation (KID/PRIPs)*	Proposal Payment Accounts Directive*146				Consumer Programme Regulation <sup>147</sup>		
	Proposal Multilateral interchange Fees Regulation (MIFs)*148				Proposal European Common Sales Law Regulation*149		

- General consumer protection is in the ambit of the IMCO Committee while ECON covers specific financial services related legislation.
- The Consumer Rights Directive replaces by 13 June 2014 the Doorstep Selling Directive 85/577/EEC<sup>150</sup> and the Distance Selling Directive 97/7/EC<sup>151</sup> which are consequently not displayed above. For contracts before that date, the latter Directives continue to apply.
- Proposal KID/PRIPs (see above and in chapter 2.) refers to consumer protection aspects by requiring a standardised Key Information Document (KID) to be provided to retail investors before they purchase certain types of retail investment products. The above mentioned Proposal for a European Common Sales Law Regulation\*<sup>152</sup> and the Small Claims Procedure Regulation\*<sup>153</sup> are relevant for consumers pertain also to the area of civil law (see chapter 14.).
- This overview focuses on the consumer protection areas relevant for ECON. In addition, there is legislation in specific areas, for instance
  - (i) further legislation for goods and product safety: the General Product Safety Directive (GPSD); 154 the amending proposal for this Consumer Product Safety Regulation; 155 the proposal for a Market Surveillance Regulation; 156 and the Sales and Guarantees Directive. 157
  - (ii) Specific issues related to holidays are covered by the Package Travel Directive. 159 and the Timeshare Directive. 159
  - (iii) Various passenger rights regulations: Nos. 261/2004 and 2027/97 (Air Passengers, under review), 1371/2007 (Rail Passenger), 1177/2010 (Maritime and Inland Waterway Passengers), 181/2011 (Bus and Coach Passengers).

## 7. EUROPEAN SUPERVISORY FRAMEWORK - EUROPEAN SYSTEM OF FINANCIAL SUPERVISION (ESFS)

	Macro-prudential				
Insurance	Securities	Ва	ınking	Supervision	
EI OPA Regulation* <sup>160</sup>	ESMA Regulation* <sup>161</sup>	EBA Reç	gulation* <sup>162</sup>	European Systemic Risk Board (ESRB) Regulation <sup>163</sup>	
	CRA II Regulation <sup>164</sup>	EBA SSM Regulation* Regulation* <sup>166</sup>		ECB ESRB Task Regulation <sup>167</sup>	
	Short Selling Regulation (SSR) <sup>168</sup>			ESCB Statistics Regulation* <sup>169</sup>	
Omnibus I I Directive <sup>170</sup>	Omr	nibus I Directive <sup>17</sup>	1		
		Proposal SRI	M Regulation* <sup>172</sup>		
			governmental ement* <sup>173</sup>		
		Interinstitutio	ean Parliament nal Agreement on ountability <sup>174</sup>		
			B on cooperation on related to SSM <sup>175</sup>		

#### Notes:

- Proposal BRRD and Proposal SRM (see chapter 1.) refer on possibilities for supervisory authorities to recover or resolve banks.
- The EIOPA, ESMA, EBA and ESRB Regulation are currently reviewed. The EP adopted for this review and initiative resolution containing detailed recommendations. 176
- The ECB
  - (i) adopted a Regulation governing its cooperation within the national competent authorities<sup>177</sup> (SSM Framework Regulation),
  - (ii) adopted a Regulation on the Powers of the ECB to impose sanctions, 178 and
  - (iii) made a recommendation <sup>179</sup> for a Council regulation to amend a Regulation regarding the sanction power of the ECB. <sup>180</sup>

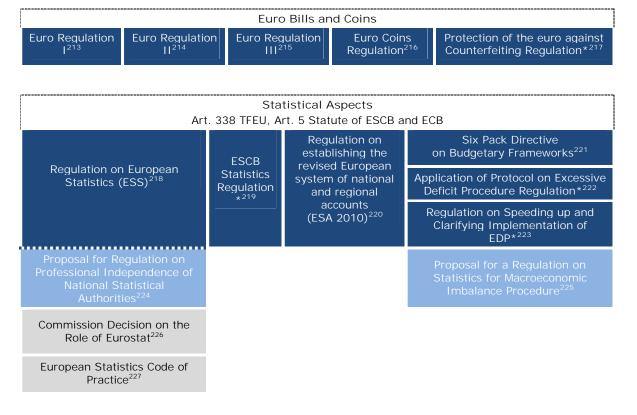
#### 8. EUROPEAN MONETARY UNION

	urveillance: Growth Pact (SGP)	Macroeconomic Surveillance Macroeconomic I mbalance Procedure (MIP)		Financial Assistance
Art. 121 TFEU Multil. Surveillance	Art. 126 TFEU and Protocol No 12 on EDP	Art. 121(	6) TFEU	Art. 122(2), Art. 136(3); Art. 143 TFEU
Six Pack Regulation Preventive Arm of SGP <sup>181</sup>	Six Pack Regulation Corrective Arm of SGP <sup>182</sup>	Six Pack Ro on the Prevention of macroeconomic	and Correction	European Financial Stability Mechanism Regulation (EFSM) <sup>184</sup>
	Six Pack Regulation Effective Enforcement <sup>185</sup>	Six Pack Ro on Enforcement correct excessive Imbalances in th	t Measures to macroeconomic	
	Application of Protocol on EDP Regulation <sup>187</sup>			
	Regulation on Speeding up and Clarifying EDP Implementation*188			
Six Pack Directive Bo	udgetary Frameworks* <sup>189</sup>			
Two Pack Regulat	ion Budgetary Plans <sup>190</sup>			
Two Pack Reg Survi	gulation Budgetary eillance <sup>191</sup>			Balances of Payments Facility Regulation <sup>192</sup>
			Regulation on acroeconomic occedure 193	Proposal Council Regulation for Financial Assistance Facility for non- euro area MS <sup>194</sup>
European Counci	I Resolution on SGP <sup>195</sup>			Framework Agreement EU Financial Stability Facility (EFSF) <sup>196</sup>
(Intergovernmental) Treaty on Stability, Coordination and Governance (Fiscal Compact) <sup>197</sup>				(Intergovernmental) Treaty establishing the Stability Mechanism (ESM) <sup>198</sup>
Blueprint on		Four Presidents' Report on EMU <sup>201</sup>	European Cou Roadmap on EM	EP Resolution on EMU (Thyssen Report) <sup>203</sup>

#### Notes:

- The secondary framework for the Fiscal Surveillance (SGP) consists i.a. of the SGP Code of Conduct;<sup>204</sup> the Two Pack Code of Conduct;<sup>205</sup> Commission Communication on Harmonised Framework for Draft Budgetary Plans;<sup>206</sup> the Delegated Regulation on Two Pack Regulation on Budgetary Plans.<sup>207</sup>
- Commission Communications outlining proposals for the new EMU architecture: Communication on Convergence & Competitive Instruments (CCI);<sup>208</sup> Communication on Ex-ante coordination of plans for major economic policy reforms.<sup>209</sup>
- EP Resolutions addressing institutional features of the EMU: R. on improving the economic governance and the stability framework (Feio Report); <sup>210</sup> R. on future legislative proposals on EMU; <sup>211</sup> R. on democratic decision making in future EMU. <sup>212</sup>

#### 9. EURO BILLS AND COINS; STATISTICAL ASPECTS



- Several (European Commission) Regulations are in place dealing with data and statistical confidentiality issues.
- Further regulations cover i.a. the following statistical indicators and areas: Statistics on Trading Goods between Member States, 228 Harmonized indices of consumer prices (HICP), Balance of Payment (BOP), Purchasing Power Parities (PPP), Gross National Income (GNI), Gross National Product (GNP) and the European System of Accounts (ESA).
- Cooperation between the European Statistical System (ESS) and the European System of Central Banks (ESCB) are in place for example via the Committee on monetary, financial and balance of payments statistics<sup>229</sup> or a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the ESS and the ESCB.<sup>230</sup>
- In view of the Commission Communication on Robust quality management of European Statistics,<sup>231</sup> the European Parliament adopted a resolution on this issue.<sup>232</sup>

#### 10. COMPETITION

	/ I V III					
Antitrust, Art. 101-102 TFEU	Cartels, Art. 101 TFEU	Mergers	Art.	State Aid Art. 107-109 TFEU		
Cartel Regulation (No. 1/2003) <sup>233</sup>		Merger Regulation (No. 139/2004) <sup>234</sup>	Procedural Regulation (No. 734/2013) <sup>235</sup>	Implementing Regulation (No. 794/2004) <sup>236</sup>	Art. 4 (3) TEU; Art. 3, 106, 258 TFEU; Protocol No. 27 on SGEI	
Procedural Regulation (No. 773/2004) <sup>237</sup>		Implementing Regulation (No. 802/2004) <sup>238</sup>	Enabling Regulation (No. 733/2013) <sup>239</sup> De minimis aid Regulation (No. 1407/2013) <sup>240</sup>		Services of general	
	Notic	e on the definition of r	elevant market <sup>242</sup>		economic interest	
Notice on agreements of minor importance (de minimis) <sup>243</sup>		Guidelines on the assessment of horizontal mergers <sup>244</sup>	Recommendation concerning the definition of SMEs <sup>245</sup>		legislation and communications (SGEI) <sup>241</sup>	
BER research and development agreements (No. 1217/2010) <sup>246</sup>	Settlement Notice (No. 622/2008)	Guidelines on the assessment of non-horizontal mergers <sup>248</sup>	General BER (No. 800/2008) <sup>249</sup>	Banking Communication <sup>250</sup> Crisis Communications Financial Sector <sup>251</sup>		
BER specialisation agreements (No. 1218/2010) <sup>252</sup>	Settlement Regulation <sup>253</sup>	Notice on remedies (No. 802/2004) <sup>254</sup>	Notice on S			
Guidelines on horizontal cooperation agreements <sup>256</sup>	Leniency Notice <sup>257</sup>	Notice on restrictions <sup>258</sup>	Notice on unlawful State aid <sup>259</sup>	Recovery Notice <sup>260</sup>		
BER vertical agreements (No. 330/2010) <sup>261</sup> Guidelines on vertical restraints <sup>263</sup>	Terms of Reference of the Hearing Officer's <sup>262</sup>					
BER technology transfer (No. 772/2004) <sup>264</sup>						
Communication or harm in actions for	n quantifying r damages <sup>265</sup>					
Guidelines on fines <sup>266</sup>						
Inability to pay information note <sup>267</sup>						
Notice on access to file <sup>268</sup>						
Proposal for a Directive on Actions for Damages <sup>269</sup>						

- Policy areas may include further Notices, Communications, Decisions or Guidelines on specific aspects. The above is summary of the main Competition legislation and not exhaustive.
- Further block exemption regulations (Antitrust) exist for the following sectors: Insurance, motor vehicles, agriculture, postal services. Sectorial legislation (Liberalisation) exists for: Energy, postal services, telecommunications, transport.
- Horizontal rules (State aid) cover aid to: SMEs, training, employment, regional, research and development and innovation, environmental, risk capital, rescue and restructuring aid. Sector specific rules (State aid) cover: audiovisual production, broadcasting, electricity (stranded costs), postal services, shipbuilding, steel, broadband, transport, coal. Specific aid instruments rules (State aid) cover i.a.: State guarantees, public land sales.
- Provisions on international relations (competition cooperation agreements, bilateral agreements) exist with e.g. EEA, EU candidate countries and western Balkan countries.

#### 11. TAXATION

Direct Taxation			Indirect Taxation			Administrative Cooperation
Savings Taxation Directive <sup>270</sup>	I+R Directive <sup>271</sup>	Merger Directive <sup>272</sup>	VAT Directive <sup>273</sup>		Excise Duties Directive <sup>274</sup>	
			VAT refund EU business Directive <sup>276</sup>	VAT refund non EU Business Directive <sup>277</sup>	Eurovignette Directive <sup>278</sup>	Tax Recovery Directive <sup>275</sup>
		Parent subsidiary Directive <sup>279</sup>	VAT free importation Directive <sup>280</sup>	Tax free Private Consignments Directive <sup>281</sup>	Indirect Taxes on Raising Capital Directive <sup>282</sup>	Fiscalis 2020   Regulation <sup>283</sup>
			VAT free Travellers Allowances Directive <sup>284</sup>		Energy Taxation Directive (ETD) <sup>285</sup>	Administrative Cooperation Directive <sup>286</sup>
Proposal Directive amending Savings Taxation Directive <sup>287</sup>	Proposal I+R Directive [recast] <sup>288</sup>	Proposal Directive amending Parent subsidiary Directive 289	Proposal Standard VAT Return Directive <sup>290</sup>	Proposal Directive modernising VAT for Insurance and Financial Services* <sup>291</sup>	Proposal Directive amending ETD <sup>292</sup>	Proposal Directive amending Administrative Cooperation Directive <sup>293</sup>
Proposal Enhanced Cooperation in FTT Directive <sup>294</sup>	Proposal CCCTB Directive <sup>295</sup>		Proposal Treatment of Vouchers Directive <sup>296</sup>			
Recommend ation on aggressive tax planning <sup>297</sup>	Recommen dation on tax havens <sup>298</sup>		Communica tion the future of VAT <sup>299</sup>	Action Plan fight against Tax Fraud and Tax Evasion <sup>300</sup>		

- VAT: Amendments to the VAT directive 2006/112/EC in 2013 established a specific measure to tackle so-called carrousel fraud, the Quick reaction mechanism (QRM) against VAT fraud.<sup>301</sup> From 1 January 2015 businesses will have to comply with new VAT place of supply rules for broadcasting, telecommunications and electronic services for which an optional Mini One Stop Shop (MOSS) system has been established.<sup>302</sup>
- The Fiscalis 2020 Regulation is a tax administration cooperation programme, which is intended to support the cooperation and exchange of information between tax authorities of member states.
- The original FTT proposal<sup>303</sup> of 2011 is stalled in Council. Therefore, 11 Member States requested the Commission to present a proposal for enhanced cooperation (cited above). Adoption and implementation is expected for 2016.<sup>304</sup>
- Member States operate separate toll systems for cars. The 'Eurovignette' Directive<sup>305</sup> is a combined EU tolling system for lorries over 12 metric tonnes introduced in 1999; however, it is used only in Belgium, Denmark, Luxembourg, the Netherlands and Sweden.

#### COMMERCE AND COMPANY LAW

Takeover bids Directive (TBD)* <sup>306</sup>	Shareholder Rights Directive <sup>307</sup>	Corporate Governance Directive <sup>308</sup>	European Company Regulation (SE) <sup>309</sup>	Cross-border Mergers Directive (CBM) <sup>310</sup>	Second Council Directive on Formation of public limited liability companies <sup>311</sup>
	Amending Proposal (long- term shareholder engagement)* <sup>312</sup>		European Cooperative Society Regulation (ECS) <sup>313</sup>	Directive on Mergers of publ limited liability companies <sup>31</sup>	
			European Economic Interest Grouping (EEIG) Regulation <sup>315</sup>		Sixth Council Directive on the Division of public limited liability companies <sup>316</sup>
	Action Plan European Company Law and Corporate Governance <sup>317</sup>	Green Paper on Corporate Governance <sup>318</sup>			

#### Notes:

- Commerce and Company Law in general are dealt with by the JURI Committee, company matters specifically concerning financial services also concern ECON's ambit.
- Company Law Directives were previously numbered in the title, see endnote<sup>319</sup> for more details.
- The Proposal European Private Company— Regulation (SPE)<sup>320</sup> has been recently withdrawn by the Commission (2014/C 153/03).
- CRD IV (see chapter 1.) refers to certain corporate governance aspects of credit institutions (especially remuneration aspects).
- AI FMD (see chapter 3.) refers to certain corporate governance aspects of alternative investment funds (especially remuneration aspects).
- Solvency II (see chapter 4.) refers to certain corporate governance aspects of insurance undertakings.
- MiFID and Proposal MiFID II (see chapter 2.) refer to certain corporate governance aspects of investment firms.
- Green Paper on long-term financing of the European economy (see chapter 2.) refers to certain aspects of accounting, corporate governance and reporting.
- Commission Communication 'Small Business Act'<sup>321</sup> aims to create favourable conditions for growth and sustainable competitiveness of European SMEs.
- Commission Recommendation on Financial services sector pay<sup>322</sup> sets out principles on remuneration of risk-taking staff in financial institutions.
- Commission Recommendation on Directors' pay<sup>323</sup> sets out further guidance on structure and determination of directors' remuneration.

#### ACCOUNTING AND AUDITING

Accounting F	Audit Regulatory Committee (AuRC) <sup>325</sup>				
European Financial					
Accounting and IAS	Banks and Insurance Transparency			Statutory Audit	
11 <sup>th</sup> Cross-border Branches disclosure Directive <sup>327</sup>	Bank Branches Obligations Directive* <sup>328</sup>	Annual Accounts and consolidated Accounts of Banks Directive* <sup>329</sup>	Transparency Directive* <sup>330</sup>	Statutory Audit Directive (SAD) <sup>331</sup>	
International Accounting Standards Application Regulation (IAS) <sup>332</sup> Resulation	Fair Value Directive* <sup>334</sup>		Prospectus Directive* <sup>335</sup>	Regulation on specific requirements for statutory audit of	
Accounting Directive <sup>337</sup>	Insurance Accounts Directive*338			public-interest entities <sup>336</sup>	
Amending Proposal (long-term shareholder engagement)* <sup>339</sup>					

#### Notes:

- The Accounting Directive repeals the Fourth Directive 78/660/EEC on the annual accounts of certain types of companies and the Seventh Directive 83/349/EEC on consolidated accounts (both initially company law directives, see endnote 319).
- The Corporate Governance Directive (see previous chapter) also refers to some accounting aspects.
- The Prospectus Directive (see chapter 2.) covers the disclosure of certain financial data when securities are offered to the public or are admitted to trading.
- The EU has adopted a mechanism to determine which third country accounting rules are equivalent to those of the EU, usually by the adoption of implementing acts, e.g. Commission Regulation (EC) No 1569/2007 on equivalence mechanism,<sup>340</sup> Commission Directive 2007/14/EC implementing Directive 2004/109/EC;<sup>341</sup> Commission Regulation (EC) No 809/2004 implementing Directive 2003/71/EC (also regarding equivalence of certain third country's national accounting standards and IFRS);<sup>342</sup> Commission Decision 2008/961/EC on the use by third countries' issuers of certain third country's national accounting standards and IFRS.<sup>343</sup>
- For more details on third countries' equivalence and convergence of accounting standards see <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/internal\_market/accounting/third\_countries/index\_en.htm">http://ec.europa.eu/internal\_market/accounting/third\_countries/index\_en.htm</a>.
- For the thresholds defining SMEs see <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/internal\_market/accounting/sme\_accounting/thresholds/index\_en.htm">http://ec.europa.eu/internal\_market/accounting/sme\_accounting/thresholds/index\_en.htm</a>.

## 14. OTHER AREAS (CIVIL AND PROCEDURAL LAW, DATA

Civil and Procedural Law		Data Protection		Insolvency	
European Enforcement Order Regulation <sup>344</sup>	Rome I Regulation <sup>345</sup>	Data Retention Directive <sup>346</sup>	Directive on Privacy and Electronic Communications <sup>347</sup>		SFD* <sup>349</sup>
European Order for Payment Procedure Regulation <sup>350</sup>	Rome II Regulation <sup>351</sup>	Data Protection	Data Protection	Insolvency Proceedings Regulation <sup>348</sup>	Winding up of Insurance Undertakings Directive* <sup>354</sup>
Combating late payment Directive <sup>355</sup>	Small Claims Procedure Regulation* <sup>356</sup>	Regulation <sup>352</sup>	Directive <sup>353</sup>		CIWUD* <sup>357</sup>
Proposal European Common Sales Law Regulation* <sup>358</sup>	Proposal European Account Preservation Order <sup>359</sup>	Proposal General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) <sup>360</sup>	Proposal Law Enforcement Data Protection Directive <sup>361</sup>	Proposal Regulation amending Insolvency Proceedings Regulation <sup>362</sup>	Proposal Recovery and Resolution Directive (BRRD)* <sup>363</sup>
		Communication on business failure and insolvency <sup>364</sup>			
				Recommendation failure and in	

#### Notes:

• Insolvency: The Proposal SRM (displayed in chapter 1.) refers to decision-making structures and authority powers as regards recovering or resolution of banks.

Note: Links are as accessed in March to May 2014.
Where available, links lead to (non-official) consolidated versions.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ECON informal report on enhancing the coherence of EU financial services legislation (February 2014, PE524.618): 'In light of the transition to a single rule book in financial services across the EU, the ECON Committee believes that it is increasingly important to ensure that legislation fits together seamlessly. The Committee held a public consultation in the first half of 2013 on possible measures to enhance the coherence of EU financial services legislation. The report includes a summary of the responses received and sets out the conclusions the Committee has drawn from the consultation and the steps it intends to take as a result;' <a href="http://www.europarl.europa.eu/document/activities/cont/201402/20140210ATT79138/20140210ATT79138EN.pdf">http://www.europarl.europa.eu/document/activities/cont/201402/20140210ATT79138/20140210ATT79138EN.pdf</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Banking Authority), amending Decision No 716/2009/EC and repealing Commission Decision 2009/78/EC (EBA), OJ L 331, 15.12.2010, p. 12; http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32010R1093&qid=1396003106703&from=EN.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Regulation (EU) No 1022/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 October 2013 amending Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Banking Authority) as regards the conferral of specific tasks on the European Central Bank pursuant to Council Regulation (EU) No 1024/2013, OJ L 287, 29.10.2013, p. 5; <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32013R1022&qid=1396003226229&from=EN">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32013R1022&qid=1396003226229&from=EN</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Council Regulation (EU) No 1024/2013 of 15 October 2013 conferring specific tasks on the European Central Bank concerning policies relating to the prudential supervision of credit institutions, OJ L 287, 29.10.2013, p. 63; <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32013R1024&qid=1396003357873&from=EN">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32013R1024&qid=1396003357873&from=EN</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Commission Decision 2004/10/EC of 5 November 2003 establishing the European Banking Committee, OJ L 3, 7.1.2004, p. 36; <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32004D0010&qid=1397651567959&from=EN">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32004D0010&qid=1397651567959&from=EN</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/internal\_market/finances/expert-group/index\_en.htm">http://ec.europa.eu/internal\_market/finances/expert-group/index\_en.htm</a> for information on the setting-up of this group.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Directive 2013/36/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on access to the activity of credit institutions and the prudential supervision of credit institutions and investment firms, amending Directive 2002/87/EC and repealing Directives 2006/48/EC and 2006/49/EC (CRD IV), OJ L 176, 27.6.2013, p. 338; as amended; consolidated version (2013); <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02013L0036-20130717&qid=1395999687602&from=EN.">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02013L0036-20130717&qid=1395999687602&from=EN.</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms and amending Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 (CRR), OJ L 176, 27.6.2013, p. 1; as amended; consolidated version (2013); <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02013R0575-20130628&qid=1395999931622&from=EN.">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02013R0575-20130628&qid=1395999931622&from=EN.</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Directive 2008/48/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2008 on credit agreements for consumers and repealing Council Directive 87/102/EEC, OJ L 133, 22.5.2008, p. 66; as amended; consolidated version (2011); <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02008L0048-20111205&qid=1396270529351&from=EN">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02008L0048-20111205&qid=1396270529351&from=EN</a>.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Directive 2001/24/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 April 2001 on the reorganisation and winding up of credit institutions (CIWUD), OJ L 125, 5.5.2001, p. 15; <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32001L0024&qid=1396000286555&from=EN">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32001L0024&qid=1396000286555&from=EN</a>.

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- <sup>304</sup> See http://ec.europa.eu/taxation\_customs/taxation/other\_taxes/financial\_sector/index\_en.htm for details.
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- 2. Directive 2012/30/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on coordination of safeguards which, for the protection of the interests of members and others, are required by Member States of companies within the meaning of the second paragraph of Article 54 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, in respect of the formation of public limited liability companies and the maintenance and alteration of their capital, with a view to making such safeguards equivalent (before: Second Council Directive 77/91/EEC of 13 December 1976 on coordination of safeguards which, for the protection of the interests of members and others, are required by Member States of companies within the meaning of the second paragraph of Article 58 of the Treaty, in respect of the formation of public limited liability companies and the maintenance and alteration of their capital, with a view to making such safeguards equivalent), OJ L 315, 14.11.2012, p. 74; as amended, consolidated Version (2013); <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02012L0030-20130701&from=EN">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02012L0030-20130701&from=EN</a>;
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- 4. Directive 2013/34/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on the annual financial statements, consolidated financial statements and related reports of certain types of undertakings, amending Directive 2006/43/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Council Directives 78/660/EEC and 83/349/EEC (before: Fourth Council Directive 78/660/EEC of 25 July 1978 based on Article 54 (3) (g) of the Treaty on the annual accounts of certain types of companies), OJ L 182, 29.6.2013, p. 19; <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32013L0034&from=EN">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32013L0034&from=EN</a>;
- 5. Proposal for a Fifth Council Directive based on Article 54 of the EEC Treaty concerning the structure of public limited companies and the powers and obligations of their organs (failed 1991);
- 6. Sixth Council Directive 82/891/EEC of 17 December 1982 based on Article 54 (3) (g) of the Treaty, concerning the division of public limited liability companies, OJ L 378, 31.12.1982, p. 4; as amended; consolidated Version (2009); <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:01982L0891-20091022&from=EN">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:01982L0891-20091022&from=EN</a>;
- 7. Directive 2013/34/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on the annual financial statements, consolidated financial statements and related reports of certain types of undertakings, amending Directive 2006/43/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Council Directives 78/660/EEC and 83/349/EEC (before: Seventh Council Directive 83/349/EEC of 13 June 1983 based on the Article 54 (3) (g) of the Treaty on consolidated accounts), OJ L 182, 29.6.2013, p. 19; <a href="http://eurlex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32013L0034&from=EN">http://eurlex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32013L0034&from=EN</a>;
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- <sup>322</sup> 2009/384/EC: Commission Recommendation of 30 April 2009 on remuneration policies in the financial services sector, OJ L 120, 15.5.2009, p. 22; <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32009H0384&from=EN">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32009H0384&from=EN</a>.
- <sup>323</sup> 2009/385/EC: Commission Recommendation of 30 April 2009 complementing Recommendations 2004/913/EC and 2005/162/EC as regards the regime for the remuneration of directors of listed companies, OJ L 120, 15.5.2009, p. 28; <a href="http://eurlex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUri
- <sup>324</sup> See <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/internal\_market/accounting/governance/committees/arc/index\_en.htm">http://ec.europa.eu/internal\_market/accounting/governance/committees/arc/index\_en.htm</a> for information on the setting-up of this group.
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