

RegWatch newsletter – May 2026

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CRR/CRD

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07/05/2026 EBA publishes its final Report amending the Guidelines on the application of the definition of default. The Report introduces targeted amendments to better reflect specific aspects of non-recourse factoring.

See [the related EBA press release](#).

07/05/2026 EBA consults on proposed amendments to its RTS set out in a Delegated Regulation, on the assignment of risk weights to specialised lending exposures under the SSCA. The consultation runs until 7 August 2026.

See [the related EBA press release](#).

19/05/2026 NBB issues Circular NBB_2026_07 implementing EBA Guidelines of 13 February 2026 on proportionate retail diversification methods under Article 123(1) of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 (EBA/GL/2026/02).

See [the related NBB press release](#).

Solvency II

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05/05/2026 EIOPA consults on the draft technical advice on minimum common standards for IGSs in the EU. The advice comes in response to a request from the EC and supplements the IGS-related aspects outlined in EIOPA's 2020 Opinion on the review of Solvency II with targeted proposals. The consultation runs until 26 June 2026.

See [the related EIOPA press release](#).

26/05/2026 EIOPA publishes the updated RFR Technical Documentation for the calculation of RFR term structures, together with three spreadsheet-based examples on key areas of the revised methodology. The updated Technical Documentation reflects the amendments to the Solvency II Directive and Delegated Acts and will apply from 30 January 2027.

See [the related EIOPA press release](#).

Climate Risk

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06/05/2026 EC consults on the draft revised ESRS and a voluntary sustainability reporting standard for smaller companies. Building on the Omnibus I simplification package and the streamlined scope of the CSRD, the draft standards published today aim to cut administrative burden for EU businesses while maintaining high-quality sustainability disclosures. The consultation runs until 3 June 2026.

See [the related EC press release](#).

06/05/2026 ESMA promotes proportionate supervision of MiFID II sustainability requirements. ESMA reaffirms the importance of sustainability and encourages firms to continue implementing the MiFID II sustainability requirements, recognising that the CSA has been conducted at a time when the sustainable finance framework is undergoing significant revision.

See [the related ESMA press release](#).

08/05/2026 ECB Banking Supervision updates its compendium of good practices for climate and nature-related risk management and stress testing.

See [the related ECB press release](#).

19/05/2026 The NGFS issues a report analysing the macroeconomic and financial impacts of extreme weather events, their transmission channels and international spillovers.

See [the related NGFS press release](#).

MMFR

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05/05/2026 ESMA consults on a new approach to updating the parameters for stress test scenarios under the MMF framework. The consultation runs until 6 August 2026.

See [the related ESMA press release](#).

12/05/2026 The EC publishes a report on the adequacy of the Money Market Funds Regulation from a prudential and economic point of view, which confirms the system's effectiveness, while updated guidance will improve the risk management and supervision of money market funds.

See [the related EC press release](#).

19/05/2026 The FSMA informs the companies concerned that it has incorporated the ESMA guidelines on stress scenarios under the MMFR into its supervisory practice.

See [the related FSMA press release](#).

IFRS Accounting

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12/05/2026 IASB publishes an Exposure Draft proposing narrow-scope amendments to the IFRS for SMEs Accounting Standard. The consultation is open for comment until 9 September 2026. If approved, the amendments will become effective for periods beginning on or after 1 January 2027.

See [the related IFRS press release](#).

19/05/2026 IASB extends the comment period on its Exposure Draft Risk Mitigation Accounting - Proposed amendments to IFRS 9 and IFRS 7 until 30 November 2026.

See [the related IFRS press release](#).

27/05/2026 IASB issues IFRS 20 Regulatory Assets and Regulatory Liabilities, a new Accounting Standard for companies subject to a specific type of rate regulation. IFRS 20 is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2029. IFRS 20 supplements the information a company provides when applying IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers and replaces IFRS 14 Regulatory Deferral Accounts.

See [the related IFRS press release](#).

Others

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13/05/2026 ESMA publishes a resolution briefing for CCPs. The briefing provides practical guidance to NRAs on how to operationalise the WDCI.

See [the related ESMA press release](#).

20/05/2026 The EC consults on the functioning of the MiCAR. As crypto-asset markets and the broader policy landscape continue to expand, the Commission is assessing whether the current framework remains fit for purpose. The consultation runs until 31 August 2026.

See [the related EC press release](#).

26/05/2026 ESMA consults on the updated guidelines on standardised procedures and messaging protocols to support smoother allocations and confirmations under T+1. The consultation runs until 7 July 2026.

See [the related ESMA press release](#).

List of acronyms used in this issue

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CCP	Central Clearing Counterparty
CRD	Directive 2013/36/EU (Capital Requirements Directive), amended by Directive 2024/1619/EU (CRD VI)
CRR	Regulation 2013/575/EU (Capital Requirements Regulation), amended by Regulation 2024/1623/EU (CRR III)
CSA	Common Supervisory Action
CSRD	Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive
EBA	European Banking Authority
EC	European Commission
ECB	European Central Bank
EIOPA	European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority
ESMA	European Securities and Markets Authority
ESRS	European Sustainability Reporting Standards
EU	European Union
FSMA	Financial Services and Markets Authority (Belgium)
IASB	International Accounting Standards Board
IFRS	International Financial Reporting Standard
IGS	Insurance Guarantee Schemes
MiCAR	Markets in Crypto-Assets Regulation
MiFID	Markets in Financial Instruments Directive
MMF	Money Market Funds
MMFR	Regulation 2017/1131/EU (Money Market Funds Regulation)
NBB	National Bank of Belgium
NGFS	Network for Greening the Financial System
NRA	National Resolution Authority
RFR	Reference Rate
RTS	Regulatory Technical Standards
SME	Small and Medium-sized Enterprise
SSCA	Supervisory Slotting Criteria Approach
WDCI	Write-Down and Conversion of Instruments tool

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