

Financial Regulatory Update

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Please find below our Financial Regulatory Update for July 2025.

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Digital finance and cybersecurity

Belgium

09.07.2025	FSMA publishes a press release stating regarding the first collection of information registers on third-party service providers in the context of the DORA Regulation , $\underline{\text{NL}}$ / $\underline{\text{FR}}$	
EU		
01.07.2025	ECB publishes two-track strategy that will enable settling distributed ledger technology (DLT) transactions using central bank money, <u>ENG</u>	
02.07.2025	EU Official Journal: publication of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2025/532 of 24 March 2025 supplementing DORA with regard to regulatory technical standards specifying the elements that a financial entity has to determine and assess when subcontracting ICT services supporting critical or important functions, <u>ENG</u>	
09.07.2025	ESMA updates its Q&A on MiCA , see:	
	 Question <u>ESMA_QA_2608</u> on pre-funding clients' orders with clients' crypto-assets Question <u>ESMA_QA_2607</u> on staking on own account 	
09.07.2025	ESMA publishes guidelines on supervisory practices to prevent and detect market abuse under MiCA, $\underline{\sf ENG}$	
10.07.2025	ESMA identifies opportunities to strengthen MiCA authorisations, <u>ENG</u>	
11.07.2025	ESMA publishes a <u>statement</u> stating that investors should consider risks of unregulated products offered by regulated crypto assets entities and including recommendations for CASPs, <u>ENG</u>	
11.07.2025	ESMA publishes <u>public statement</u> "Avoiding misperceptions: guidance for crypto-asset service providers offering unregulated services ", <u>ENG</u>	
11.07.2025	ESMA publishes <u>guidelines</u> specifying the criteria for assessing the knowledge and competence of staff at crypto-asset service providers (CASPs) who provide information or advice on crypto-assets and services under MiCA, <u>ENG</u>	
15.07.2025	ESAs publish $\underline{\text{guide}}$ on \textbf{DORA} Oversight of critical third-party providers activities, $\underline{\text{ENG}}$	
16.07.2025	ESMA publishes an <u>overview</u> of Level 2 and Level 3 measures under MiCA, <u>ENG</u>	
22.07.2025	ESMA publishes a $\underline{\text{list}}$ of $\textbf{grandfathering periods}$ decided by the Member States under $\textbf{MiCA},$ $\underline{\text{ENG}}$	
25.07.2025	EBA updates its Single Rulebook Q&A on DORA regarding Register of information (DORA) , see question 2025_7297 on the scope of the regulation described in Article 6 mismatches what is presented as an option in the Annex I, Part 2 of the same regulation, <u>ENG</u>	

- 25.07.2025 EBA updates its **Single Rulebook Q&A** on **DORA** regarding **ICT third-party risk** management, see:
 - Question <u>2024</u> <u>7178</u> on elaboration on the meaning of a separated and dedicated network for ICT asset administration;
 - Question <u>2024 7098</u> on Scope of Register of Information for Contractual Arrangements on the use of ICT Services Provided by ICT Third-party Service Providers.

Sustainable finance

Belgium

Council of Ministers adopts a preliminary draft law on the postponement of the 18.07.2025 reporting obligations under the CSRD and the Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive, NL / FR EU ESMA publishes a thematic note on sustainability-related claims used in non-01.07.2025 regulatory communications, ENG 04.07.2025 European Commission publishes press release on **EU** Taxonomy simplifications to cut red tape for companies, ENG 04.07.2025 European Commission publishes questions and answers on EU Taxonomy simplifications to cut red tape for companies, ENG ECB publishes news article on the **Postponement** of the implementation of the 17.07.2025 Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD)-linked eligibility criterion in the Eurosystem collateral framework, ENG EU Official Journal: publication of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 25.07.2025 2025/753 of 16 April 2025 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2023/2631 of the European Parliament and of the Council by establishing the content, methodologies, and presentation of the information to be voluntarily disclosed by issuers of bonds marketed as environmentally sustainable or of sustainability-linked bonds in the templates for periodic post-issuance disclosures, ENG 25.07.2025 EU Official Journal: publication of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2025/754 of 16 April 2025 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2023/2631 of the European Parliament and of the Council by specifying rules of procedure for the exercise of the power to impose fines or periodic penalty payments by the European Securities and Markets Authority on external reviewers, ENG 25.07.2025 EU Official Journal: publication of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2025/755 of 16 April 2025 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2023/2631 of the European Parliament and of the Council by specifying the type of fees to be charged by ESMA to external reviewers of European Green Bonds, the matters in respect of which fees are due, the amount of the fees, and the manner in which those fees are to be paid, ENG 30.07.2025 European Commission publishes recommendation on voluntary sustainability

reporting for small and medium-sized companies (SMEs), ENG

Banking

ΕU

01.07.2025	EBA publishes its final <u>Guidelines</u> on Acquisition, Development and Construction exposures to residential property under the standardised approach of credit risk, <u>ENG</u>
02.07.2025	SRB publishes guidance on solvent wind-down of trading books, ENG
03.07.2025	ESRB publishes ESRB risk dashboard , June 2025 (Issue 52), <u>ENG</u>
04.07.2025	EBA publishes Hotfix <u>List of Issues</u> and <u>FAQ</u> for Reporting Framework 4.1 , <u>ENG</u>
04.07.2025	EBA updates its Single Rulebook Q&A on CRR regarding credit risk , see:
	 Question <u>2024_7141</u> on the scope of Subordinated Debt Exposures under Art. 128 (1)(c); Question <u>2024_7213</u> on applying risk weight in accordance with Article 235(3) of CRR3.
10.07.2025	BCBS publishes horizon scanning \underline{report} on banks' interconnections with nonbank financial intermediaries (NBFIs), \underline{ENG}
11.07.2025	EBA updates its Single Rulebook Q&A on CRR regarding supervisory reporting (liquidity) , see question 2024_7203 on treatment of wholesale term deposits with early withdrawal penalty clauses for maturity ladder purposes, <u>ENG</u>
11.07.2025	EBA updates its Single Rulebook Q&A on Directive 2002/87/EC (FiCOD) regarding financial conglomerates , see question 2025_7381 on Financial Conglomerates: Mismatch between ITS and DPM 3.5 – ID v22748_u - T1 L 06.00, column c0020, <u>ENG</u>
15.07.2025	ECB publishes Regulation (EU) [2025/XX] of 15 July 2025 amending Regulation (EU) 2016/445 on the exercise of options and discretions available in Union law (ECB/2016/4) (ECB/2025/24), $\underline{\sf ENG}$
15.07.2025	Court of Justice: publication in judgement C-777/22 and C-789/22 on the annulment of the General Court's judgment of 12 October 2022 in Case T-502/19, Corneli/ECB; the Court held that Francesca Corneli's action against ECB decisions placing Banca Carige SpA under temporary administration and extending that measure was admissible, rejected the fourth plea concerning the legal basis of the ECB's decisions, and referred the case back to the General Court for examination of the remaining pleas; the decision on costs was reserved, ENG
15.07.2025	EBF publishes news article: EBF calls for coordination among authorities towards a fully integrated reporting system in Europe, <u>ENG</u>
16.07.2025	EBA publishes $\underline{\text{Handbook}}$ on simulation exercises for resolution authorities, $\underline{\text{ENG}}$
18.07.2025	EBF publishes <u>report</u> on proposals for a simplified European framework , <u>ENG</u>
23.07.2025	EBA publishes $\underline{\text{Report}}$ on direct provision of banking services from third countries under CRD, $\underline{\text{ENG}}$

25.07.2025	ECB publishes Recommendation ECB/2025/26 amending Recommendation ECB/2017/10 on common specifications for the exercise of some options and discretions available in Union law by national competent authorities in relation to less significant institutions, ENG
28.07.2025	EU Official Journal: publication of Guideline (EU) 2025/1521 of the European Central Bank of 15 July 2025 amending Guideline (EU) 2017/697 on the exercise of options and discretions available in Union law by national competent authorities in relation to less significant institutions (ECB/2017/9), ENG
28.07.2025	Court of Justice: publication of the judgment in Case C-254/24 P on Dexia's appeal against the General Court's annulment of the SRB's 2021 bank levy decision, in which Dexia challenged only the Court's refusal to cancel the decision's temporary effects . The Court of Justice dismissed the appeal as manifestly inadmissible since Dexia had already succeeded in annulling the decision itself and failed to show grounds to overturn the temporary maintenance of effects. Consequently, the appeal was rejected and Dexia was ordered to pay costs, FR
30.07.2025	EBA publishes <u>metadata</u> , the <u>data dictionary</u> , and the <u>guide for data exploitation</u> ahead of the release of its 2025 EU-wide stress test , <u>ENG</u>
31.07.2025	EBA publishes its Q4 2024 semi-annual $\underline{\text{dashboard}}$ on the minimum requirement for own funds and eligible liabilities (MREL), $\underline{\text{ENG}}$

Payments

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11.07.2025	EBA updates its Single Rulebook Q&A on PSD2	regarding other topics , see:
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- Question <u>2022_6391</u> on paper-based postal money orders as defined by the Universal Postal Union;
- Question <u>2023 6910</u> on interpretation of payment instrument;
- Question 2024 7056 on credit.
- EU Official Journal: publication of Regulation (EU) 2025/1355 of the European Central Bank of 2 July 2025 on oversight requirements for systemically important payment systems (ECB/2025/22), ENG
- 14.07.2025 ECB publishes response to the <u>public consultation</u> on a proposed recast of the ECB Regulation on **oversight requirements** for **systemically important payment systems** (SIPS Regulation), <u>ENG</u>
- 14.07.2025 ECB publishes Opinion of 14 July 2025 on the elimination of certain fees related to payment accounts and cash withdrawals (CON/2025/17), ENG
- 24.07.2025 BIS publishes new dashboards on retail payments, ENG

Insurance

Belgium

23.07.2025 FSMA publishes its opinion on the cases in which a comparison website carries out insurance distribution activities, NL / FR

03.07.2025	EIOPA publishes monthly <u>technical information</u> for Solvency II Relevant Risk-Free Interest Rate Term Structures – end-June 2025, <u>ENG</u>
03.07.2025	EIOPA publishes its 2024 oversight activity report, ENG
04.07.2025	EIOPA publishes <u>biannual shifted risk-free rates</u> for duration calculation in financial stability reporting – end-June 2025, <u>ENG</u>
10.07.2025	EIOPA publishes <u>Opinion</u> on the supervision of liquidity risk management of Institutions for Occupational Retirement Provision (IORPs), <u>ENG</u>
14.07.2025	EIOPA publishes <u>Final Report</u> on draft RTS on factors for identifying undertakings under dominant or significant influence and undertakings managed on a unified basis in the context of the Solvency II Review, <u>ENG</u>
14.07.2025	EIOPA publishes <u>Final Report</u> on draft RTS on the relevance of cross-border activities of undertakings for the host market in the context of the Solvency II Review, <u>ENG</u>
14.07.2025	EIOPA publishes <u>Final Report</u> on revised ITS on the lists of regional governments and local authorities' exposures in the context of the Solvency II Review, <u>ENG</u>
14.07.2025	EIOPA publishes $\underline{\text{Final Report}}$ on revised Guidelines on $\underline{\text{undertaking-specific}}$ parameters, $\underline{\text{ENG}}$
15.07.2025	EIOPA publishes two annexes on <u>mass-lapse reinsurance</u> and on <u>reinsurance</u> agreements' termination clauses to its 2021 <u>opinion</u> on the use of risk mitigation techniques by insurance undertakings, ENG
23.07.2025	EIOPA publishes public statement on the monitoring exercise on the use of climate change scenarios in the ORSA, <u>ENG</u>
24.07.2025	EIOPA publishes Follow-up Report to EIOPA's 2022 Peer Review on outsourcing , ENG
31.07.2025	EIOPA publishes its July 2025 Risk <u>Dashboard</u> for Institutions for Occupational Retirement Provision (IORPs) , <u>ENG</u>
31.07.2025	EIOPA publishes Solvency II <u>Insurance Risk Dashboard</u> , <u>ENG</u>

Investment services

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02.07.2025	ESMA concluded a common supervisory action on $\textbf{pre-trade}$ controls under \textbf{MiFID} II, $\underline{\textbf{ENG}}$
03.07.2025	ESMA selects Ediphy (fairCT) to become the first Consolidated Tape Provider for bonds, $\underline{\sf ENG}$
11.07.2025	EBA updates its Single Rulebook Q&A on IFR regarding K-factor requirements , see:

- Question $\underline{2024_6994}$ on eligibility of funded credit protection received from third parties; Question <u>2024 7043</u> on net position risk - K-NPR.

15.07.2025	EFAMA publishes press release on the adoption of Savings and Investment Accounts to boost retail investment, $\underline{\sf ENG}$
17.07.2025	EU Official Journal: publication of Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2025/1405 of 16 July 2025 amending Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/2126 as regards the total quantities of cancelled EU ETS allowances that may be taken into account for certain Member States' compliance under Regulation (EU) 2018/842 of the European Parliament and of the Council, <u>ENG</u>
24.07.2025	ESMA announces update of the volume cap system, passing from the double volume cap mechanism (DVCM) to a "single" volume cap mechanism (VCM) in October 2025 according to the changes introduced by the MiFIR Review, <u>ENG</u>

Capital markets

ΕU

03.07.2025	EBF publishes new article on EU T+1 Industry Committee launching <u>roadmap</u> and opening consultation period for capital markets transformation, <u>ENG</u>
15.07.2025	ESMA publishes $\underline{\text{final report}}$ on RTS concerning documents incorporated in prospectus by reference, $\underline{\text{ENG}}$
17.07.2025	ESMA publishes <u>feedback statement</u> on its consultation on private securitizations , <u>ENG</u>

Asset management

ΕU

15.07.2025 ESMA updates its Q&A on the **UCITS directive** regarding **performance fees for feeder funds**, see question ESMA QA 2609, <u>ENG</u>

AML/CTF

Belgium

Belgian Official Gazette: publication of Royal Decree of 2 July 2025 amending the **list of persons and entities** referred to in Articles 3 and 5 of the Royal Decree of 28 December 2006 on specific restrictive measures against certain persons and entities with a view to **combating the financing of terrorism**, NL / FR

ΕU

03.07.2025	ECB publishes signed Memorandum of Understanding with AMLA, ENG
03.07.2025	ESAs publish signed <u>Memorandum of Understanding</u> with AMLA for effective cooperation and information exchange, <u>ENG</u>
28.07.2025	EBA publishes its 2025 opinion and Report on money laundering and terrorist financing risks affecting the EU's financial sector, ENG

Market infrastructure and derivatives

17.07.2025

Constitutional Court: publication of judgement in case 114/2025 on the compatibility of Article 9 of the Act of 28 April 1999 and Article 11 of Coordinated Royal Decree No. 62 with constitutional and human rights provisions; the Court held that the seizure restrictions imposed to safeguard the functioning and stability of financial settlement systems, such as those involving Euroclear Bank, pursue a legitimate aim, are proportionate, and do not violate Articles 10, 11, 13, and 16 of the Constitution, nor Article 6(1) or Article 1 of Protocol No. 1 to the ECHR, NL/FR

General interest

	royal decrees on the annual accounts of credit institutions, investment firms, and management companies of collective investment undertakings; on the annual accounts of insurance and reinsurance undertakings; on the consolidated annual accounts of credit institutions, investment firms, and management companies of collective investment undertakings; and on the accounting data regarding branches established in Belgium that credit institutions, investment firms, and management companies of collective investment undertakings governed by foreign law must publish, NL / FR
14.07.2025	Belgian Official Gazette: publication of Royal Decree of 30 June 2025 amending the
11.07.2025	ESMA publishes <u>final report</u> on guidelines on outsourcing to cloud service providers , ENG
11.07.2025	EU Official Journal: publication of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/1339 of 10 July 2025 laying down implementing technical standards for the application of Regulation (EU) 2023/2859 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to certain tasks of the collection bodies , <u>ENG</u>
11.07.2025	EU Official Journal: publication of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/1338 of 10 July 2025 laying down implementing technical standards for the application of Regulation (EU) 2023/2859 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to the functionalities of the European single access point , ENG
11.07.2025	Belgian Official Gazette: publication of the law of 5 June 2025 on Title 1 'Personal Guarantees' of Book 9 'Security Rights' of the Civil Code, \underline{NL} / \underline{FR}
10.07.2025	FSMA publishes a press release stating that recognized compliance officers insufficiently comply with the obligation of continuous training , $\underline{\text{NL}}$ / $\underline{\text{FR}}$
07.07.2025	EFAMA publishes $\underline{\text{recommendations}}$ to the European Commission regarding Financial Literacy in the EU, $\underline{\text{ENG}}$
04.07.2025	FPS Economy updates its webpage concerning the legal framework on the accessibility of banking services and e-commerce, $\underline{\text{NL}}/\underline{\text{FR}}$
02.07.2025	FPS Economy publishes a press release on the EU Accessibility Act , stating the SPF Economy provides guidelines to clarify the new obligations, \underline{NL} / \underline{FR}
02.07.2025	Belgian Official Gazette: publication of the law of 25 May 2025 on the supervision of providers of financial messaging services , \underline{NL} / \underline{FR}
01.07.2025	AFME, EFAMA, FESE, FIA and EPTA publish <u>Joint Letter</u> to the European Commission on Advancing EU capital markets: Prioritising key targets for the Savings and Investments Union, <u>ENG</u>

FSMA publishes communication FSMA_2025_12 announcing two dates for continuing professional training for accredited auditors, NL / FR

15.07.2025 ESRB publishes ESRB Annual Report 2024, ENG

17.07.2025 EBF publishes recommendations for a stronger European financial literacy strategy, ENG

28.07.2025 EIB Group opens country office in Belgium to support strategic investments in Belgian economy, ENG

ESMA publishes SMSGs advice on ESMAs call for evidence on the retail investor journey, ENG

Agenda

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31.08.2025	Deadline for responding to EU T+1 Industry Committee's consultation on capital markets transformation , <u>ENG</u>
08.09.2025	Deadline for responding to the EC's targeted <u>consultation</u> on the treatment of equity exposures incurred under legislative programmes in the CRR , <u>ENG</u>
08.09.2025	Deadline for responding to ESMA's <u>consultation</u> on the type of information to be disclosed by clearing service providers (CSPs) to their clients, in relation to costs and fees for the provision of clearing services, <u>ENG</u>
08.09.2025	Deadline for responding to ESMA's <u>consultation</u> on the requirements regarding the central counterparties' (CCPs) margin simulation tool and CSPs' margin simulations; and the type of information to be provided by CCPs and CSPs regarding their margin models, <u>ENG</u>
18.09.2025	Deadline for responding to EBA's <u>consultation</u> on technical standards on acquisitions in credit institutions , <u>ENG</u>
19.09.2025	Deadline for responding to ESMA's <u>call for evidence</u> on a comprehensive approach for the simplification of financial transaction reporting , <u>ENG</u>
19.09.2025	Deadline for responding to ESA's <u>consultation</u> on their <u>draft Joint Guidelines</u> on ESG stress testing , as mandated by the Capital Requirements Directive and the Solvency II Directive, <u>ENG</u>
21.09.2025	Deadline for responding to ESMA's $\underline{\text{discussion paper}}$ on the integrated collection of funds' data, $\underline{\text{ENG}}$
24.09.2025	Deadline for responding to EIOPA's <u>consultation paper</u> on the proposal for revised Guidelines on supervisory review process – Solvency II Review, <u>ENG</u>
30.09.2025	Deadline for responding to ECB's $\underline{consultation}$ on the extension of T2 operating hours, \underline{ENG}
07.10.2025	Deadline for responding to EBA's <u>consultation paper</u> on draft Guidelines on Ancillary Services Undertakings , <u>ENG</u>
08.10.2025	Deadline for responding to EBA's <u>consultation paper</u> on draft Guidelines on third- party risk management with regard to non-ICT related services , <u>ENG</u>
09.10.2025	Deadline for responding to EBA's <u>consultation paper</u> on the revision of product oversight and governance Guidelines for retail banking products to consider products with ESG features and greenwashing risks , <u>ENG</u>

09.10.2025	Deadline for responding to EBA's $\underline{\text{consultation paper}}$ on draft RTS amending RTS on own funds and eligible liabilities instruments, $\underline{\text{ENG}}$
10.10.2025	Deadline for responding to EBA's <u>consultation paper</u> on draft RTS on specifying the booking arrangements that third-country branches are to apply for the purposes of Article 48h of CRD , <u>ENG</u>
10.10.2025	Deadline for responding to EBA's <u>consultation paper</u> on Draft Guidelines on Draft RTS on cooperation and colleges of supervisors for third-country branches under Article $48p(7)$ of CRD , <u>ENG</u>
10.10.2025	Deadline for responding to EBA's <u>consultation paper</u> on instruments available for third country branches for unrestricted and immediate use to cover risks or losses under Article $48e(2)(c)$ of CRD , <u>ENG</u>
10.10.2025	Deadline for responding to EIOPA's <u>consultation paper</u> on supervisory reporting and public disclosure requirements under Solvency II, <u>ENG</u>
14.10.2025	Deadline for responding to EIOPA's <u>consultation paper</u> on revised Guidelines on exchange of information within colleges - Solvency II Review, <u>ENG</u>
15.10.2025	Deadline for responding to EBA's <u>consultation paper</u> on draft amended Guidelines on the application of the definition of default under CRR , <u>ENG</u>
15.10.2025	Deadline for responding to EBA's <u>consultation paper</u> on Draft Guidelines on the methodology to estimate and apply credit conversion factors under CRR , <u>ENG</u>
31.10.2025	Deadline for responding to EBA's <u>consultation paper</u> on Draft ITS on the supervisory reporting of Third Country Branches under CRD, <u>ENG</u>
31.10.2025	Deadline for responding to EIOPA's <u>consultation paper</u> on draft ITS on resolution reporting under the Insurance Recovery and Resolution Directive (IRRD) , <u>ENG</u>
31.10.2025	Deadline for responding to EIOPA's <u>consultation paper</u> on draft RTS on the functioning of the resolution colleges under the Insurance Recovery and Resolution Directive (IRRD), $\underline{\sf ENG}$

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