

# Toronto Centre Publications Monitoring Report

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*A synopsis of recently issued supervisory guidance, news releases, working papers and related documents from over 50 global and regional standard setting bodies, national regulators, international organizations and industry groups as well as the latest TC Notes. This report is prepared monthly for the TC Community. With the exception of the TC Notes, the summaries are taken from the organizations' web sites. Toronto Centre does not hold the copyright to these abstracts.*

### TC Podcasts/Webcasts/Videos

Date	Organization	Title & Abstract
October 6, 2021	Toronto Centre	<p><b>Back in Action: Tips for Creating a Positive Workplace Environment</b></p> <p>This podcast addresses some key topics for leaders, including financial regulators and supervisors, to consider as they look to help their employees to survive and thrive as they adapt to the workplace.</p>

### Standard Setting Bodies

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October 14, 2021	BCBS	<p><b>Basel Committee Reports on Basel III Implementation Progress</b></p> <p>The BCBS has issued its <i>Progress Report on the Adoption of the Basel Regulatory Framework</i>. It sets out the adoption status of Basel III standards in member jurisdictions as of the end of September 2021.</p>
October 28, 2021	FSB	<p><b>Lessons Learnt from the COVID-19 Pandemic from a Financial Stability Perspective: Final Report</b></p> <p>This final report updates the July interim report on the preliminary lessons learnt for financial stability from the COVID-19 pandemic, and outlines actions by the FSB and other standard-setting bodies in response to those lessons.</p>

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October 19, 2021	FSB	<p><b>Cyber Incident Reporting: Existing Approaches and Next Steps for Broader Convergence</b>  This report explores whether greater convergence in the reporting of cyber incidents could be achieved in light of increasing financial stability concerns, especially given the digitalization of financial services and increased use of third-party service providers.</p>
October 14, 2021	FSB	<p><b>Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures: 2021 Status Report</b>  This is the fourth annual report that describes progress on climate-related financial reporting and implementation of the Task Force's disclosure recommendations.</p>
October 13, 2021	FSB	<p><b>FSB Publishes Targets for Enhancing Cross-Border Payments and Progress Under Its Roadmap</b>  The FSB published a progress report on the first year of the G20 Roadmap for Enhancing Cross-Border Payments, bringing together in one place the work under the wide-ranging, but interconnected, set of initiatives.</p>
October 11, 2021	FSB	<p><b>Policy Proposals to Enhance Money Market Fund Resilience: Final Report</b>  This report sets out policy proposals to enhance money market fund resilience, including with respect to the appropriate structure of the sector and of underlying short-term funding markets.</p>
October 8, 2021	FSB IMF	<p><b>FSB and IMF Publish the 2021 Progress Report on the G20 Data Gaps Initiative</b>  The FSB and IMF published the <i>Sixth Progress Report - Countdown to December 2021</i> on the implementation of the Second Phase of the G20 Data Gaps Initiative (DGI-2).</p>
October 7, 2021	FSB	<p><b>Regulation, Supervision and Oversight of "Global Stablecoin" Arrangements: Progress Report on the Implementation of the FSB High-Level Recommendations</b>  The FSB published a progress report on the regulation, supervision and oversight of "global stablecoin" arrangements.</p>
October 28, 2021	EBA	<p><b>EBA Observes Discrepancies in Relation to the Protection of Client Funds by Deposit Guarantee Schemes and Makes Recommendations to the EU Commission</b>  The EBA published an opinion on the treatment of client funds under DGSD, where it assessed the current approaches to the protection of funds deposited with credit institutions on behalf of clients by entities that are themselves excluded from DGS protection.</p>
October 22, 2021	EBA	<p><b>EBA Replies to the European Commission's Call for Advice on Funding in Resolution and Insolvency as Part of the Review of the Crisis Management and Deposit Insurance Framework</b>  The EBA published its advice to the EU Commission on funding in resolution and insolvency as part of the review of the crisis management and deposit insurance (CMDI) framework. The EBA response provides a quantitative analysis on banks' capacity to access available sources of funding under the current framework and under various creditor hierarchies, and with regards to the minimum requirement for own funds and eligible liabilities (MREL).</p>
October 19, 2021	EBA	<p><b>EBA Publishes Final Draft Regulatory Technical Standards on Disclosure of Investment Policy by Investment Firms</b>  The EBA published new regulatory technical standards (RTS) on disclosure of investment policy by investment firms. The final draft RTS put forward comparable disclosures that should help stakeholders understand investment firms' influence over the companies in which they hold voting rights and the impact of investment firms' policies on aspects such as the governance or management of those companies.</p>

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October 7, 2021	EBA	<b>EBA Updates Risk Assessment Indicators</b> The EBA published an updated list of indicators for risk assessment and risk analysis tools, together with the accompanying methodological guide. This guidance describes how risk indicators are computed in EBA publications and allows competent authorities and users of EBA data to interpret key bank figures in a consistent fashion when conducting their risk assessments and analyses.
October 2021	ECB	<b>Climate Risk Stress Test</b> The ECB has published the methodology for the stress test on climate-related risks that it will conduct in 2022. The stress test aims to identify vulnerabilities and industry best practices.
October 18, 2021	EBA EIOPA ESMA	<b>European Supervisory Authorities Publish Sectoral Reports on Supervisory Independence of Competent Authorities</b> The EBA, EIOPA and ESMA published their individual reports on the supervisory independence of competent authorities (CAs) in their sectors. Based on the CAs' self-assessment, the three reports highlight that the independence of CAs is multi-faceted and dependent on a number of legal, institutional, operational and cultural factors.
October 27, 2021	IOSCO	<b>IOSCO Updates its Outsourcing Principles to Ensure Operational Resilience</b> IOSCO has published a set of updated outsourcing principles for regulated entities that outsource tasks to service providers. The revised principles comprise a set of fundamental precepts and seven principles. The fundamental precepts cover issues such as the definition of outsourcing, the assessment of materiality and criticality, their application to affiliates, the treatment of sub-contracting and outsourcing on a cross-border basis.
October 6, 2021	CPMI IOSCO	<b>CPMI and IOSCO Publish Guidance, Call for Comments on Stablecoin Arrangements</b> The CPMI and IOSCO published for public consultation preliminary guidance that confirms and clarifies that stablecoin arrangements should observe international standards for payment, clearing and settlement systems.

## National Regulators

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October 28, 2021	PRA	<b>PRA Climate Change Adaptation Report 2021- Climate-related Financial Risk Management and the Role of Capital Requirements</b> The report sets out the PRA's response to the risks posed by climate change to its operations and policy functions in two parts: i) risks posed by climate change to regulated firms; and ii) relationship between climate change and the banking and insurance regulatory capital regimes.
October 21, 2021	PRA FCA	<b>The Climate Financial Risk Forum Publishes Its Second Set of Guides</b> The guides will assist the financial industry effectively to manage climate-related financial risks.

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October 14, 2021	PRA	<b>Implementation of Basel Standards: Final Rules – PS 22/21</b> This policy statement provides the final PRA Rulebook instruments, statements of policy, supervisory statements, and reporting templates and instructions, which were published as near-final in PS17/21 <i>Implementation of Basel Standards</i> .
October 8, 2021	PRA	<b>Systemic Risk Survey Results – 2021 H2</b> Results of the latest biannual survey that asks market participants about perceived risks to, and their confidence in, the stability of the UK financial system.
October 22, 2021	FCA	<b>Investment Firms Prudential Regime Final Rules Published</b> The FCA has made final rules to streamline and simplify prudential requirements for solo-regulated UK firms authorized under the <i>Markets in Financial Instruments Directive</i> (MiFID).

### International Organizations

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October 2021	BIS	<b>Big Techs in Finance: On the New Nexus Between Data Privacy and Competition</b> This paper: i) describes big techs' business models and analyzes the potential benefits in their provision of financial services such as financial inclusion and reduced asymmetric information problems in the supply of credit; ii) evaluates the potential costs, including the new risks of price discrimination, abuse of market power, anti-competitive behaviour and limits to data privacy; and iii) lays out the complex public policy trade-off between the objectives of efficiency and privacy, and discusses the policy options.
October 2021	CGAP	<b>Addressing Gender Norms to Increase Financial Inclusion: Designing for Impact</b> This new technical guide is a how-to manual to help funders design and implement interventions that take gender norms into account, thereby allowing for greater and more sustainable impact in women's financial inclusion and economic empowerment.
October 2021	CGAP	<b>Digitization in Microfinance: Case Studies of Pathways to Success</b> This Working Paper takes a unique look at microfinance institution (MFI) innovation with digitization by featuring case studies on MFIs that successfully created measurable customer and business value through digitization. The paper offers insights and recommendations of wider applicability to inspire and inform digitization initiatives by other MFIs regardless of their size, location, or maturity.
October 13, 2021	FSI	<b>Financial Stability Institute Publishes Report on Latin American Cross-Border Crisis Simulation Exercise</b> The FSI has published a report on the findings of a cross-border crisis simulation exercise involving financial authorities in six South American jurisdictions to test their financial crisis management arrangements. The exercise involved 11 central banks, supervisory authorities and deposit insurers from Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Paraguay and Uruguay in an invented scenario based on the failure of a fictional regionally systemic cross-border banking group.

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October 2021	IMF	<p><b><u>Powering the Digital Economy: Opportunities and Risks of Artificial Intelligence in Finance</u></b>            This paper discusses the impact of the rapid adoption of artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML) in the financial sector. It highlights the benefits these technologies bring in terms of financial deepening and efficiency, while raising concerns about its potential in widening the digital divide between advanced and developing economies. The paper advances the discussion on the impact of this technology by distilling and categorizing the unique risks that it could pose to the integrity and stability of the financial system, policy challenges, and potential regulatory approaches.</p>
October 26, 2021	NGFS	<p><b><u>NGFS Publishes a Progress Report on the Implementation of the Recommendations of Its Guide for Supervisors</u></b>            The NGFS released its <i>Progress Report on the Guide for Supervisors</i> that highlights progress made by NGFS supervisors in integrating climate-related and environmental risks into their supervisory activities. It provides updated and granular guidance structured around twelve Focus Areas and supported by case studies on global supervisory practices.</p>
October 2021	United Nations	<p><b><u>UN Principles for Responsible Digital Payments</u></b>            To respond to the urgent need for digital payments and prepare for the next pandemic or natural disaster, these principles focus on: i) prioritization of women as a key cornerstone for sustained development; ii) new technologies are developed and delivered responsibly; iii) a stronger user lens scrutinizes all aspects of digital payments; and iv) recommendations to deliver positive lasting change.</p>

## Other

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October 2021	Alliance for Financial Inclusion	<p><b><u>Case Studies of Multisectoral Approaches to Integrating Digital Financial Services for Women's Financial Inclusion</u></b>            These case studies show there is potential for increasing women's financial inclusion with these services.</p>
July 2021	ASBA	<p><b><u>Core Principles for the Development of Effective Bank Supervision Capacity Building Programs</u></b>            The document is divided into three sections: i) an outline of the nine core principles that can act as a reference tool for bank supervisory institutions seeking to develop new or strengthen existing training programs; ii) organizational pre-requirements that the banking supervisory agencies must observe to implement the principles successfully; and iii) a description of these core principles' characteristics.</p>