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# **Review of the Solvency II Directive**

July, 2022



### **Context**

The Solvency II Directive came into force on 1 January 2016 and provided for **two review clauses in its texts**:

- in 2018 concerning only the delegated regulation
- in 2020 on the Directive and the Delegated Regulation

As part of the 2020 review, the European Commission published on 22 September 2021 draft amendments to the Directive which will be debated and adopted as part of the European legislative process.



\*Minimum estimated date taking into account the legislative process



### **Latest publications**

What are the latest publications on the subject?

- 22 September 2021: the European Commission has published draft amendments to the Directive
- 6 June 2022: the European Parliament has published draft amendments to the Directive
- 17 June 2022: the European Council published draft amendments to the Directive



"No connection, single threads?"

These three texts will represent the three positions of the European Commission, Parliament and Council to start the trialogue negotiations...

... but the Parliament's document is still far from being the final position of the Parliament.



### Trialogue negotiation: a long and complex process

#### **European Commission**

Sept. 2021 Project

#### **European Council**

**17 June 2022** Project

#### **European Parliament**

6 June 2022
Rapporteur Markus
Ferber's draft proposed
to ECON

At first reading, this draft:

- appears to be very favourable to the industry
- would include in the directives measures that were covered by the delegated regulation

12 July 2022
Deadlines for ECON
members to table their

300 or 400 amendments are expected, especially from the opposition

Sept. – oct. 2022?
Negotiations in ECON to define compromise amendments

Fin nov. 2022 Vote in ECON on the project and report

Possibility to vote in plenary (potential amendments in plenary) Sept. 2021 Draft 17 June 2022

#### **TRILOGUE**

3 or 4 months to find a compromise between the Commission, the Council and the Parliament conclusion of the negotiations rather opaque *Publication of amendments in the OJEU (Official Journal of the EU) in summer 2023?* 

2023-2024: Transposition into national Law

Sept. 2023: Commission publishes draft delegated acts



### **Examples of positions: risk margin**

	European Commission	European Council	Draft report of the Parliament
Project Level 1	None (falls under level 2)	None (falls under level 2)	<ul> <li>Definition of the cost of capital at 4%.</li> <li>Introduction of a parameter λ at 0.9% without floor and</li> </ul>
Accompanying text	<ul> <li>At level 2, potentially:</li> <li>reduction of the cost of capital from 6% to 5%.</li> <li>the setting of the parameter λ with a floor</li> </ul>	None	None



### Position examples: yield curve extrapolation

	European Commission	European Council	Draft report of the Parliament
Project Level 1	<ul><li>Introduction of the concept of First Smoothing Point</li><li>New extrapolation method</li><li>Transitional period</li></ul>	Similar to the Commission	<ul> <li>For the euro, extrapolation from 20 years</li> <li>Technical parameters for extrapolation (convergence speed at 20%)</li> </ul>
Accompanying text	At level 2, definition of technical parameters	None	None



### **Conclusion**





It is difficult to predict the outcome of the negotiations!



### **Annex**

#### Links to resources

• 22 September 2021: the European Commission has published draft amendments to the directive Dedicated page:

Dedicated webpage: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/publications/210922-solvency-2-communication\_en">https://ec.europa.eu/info/publications/210922-solvency-2-communication\_en</a>
Project: <a href="https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:52021PC0581">https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:52021PC0581</a>

• 6 June 2022: the European Parliament published draft amendments to the Directive Draft:

Project: <a href="https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/ECON-PR-732670">https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/ECON-PR-732670</a> FR.pdf

• 17 juin 2022: the European Council has published draft amendments to the Directive Press release:

Press Release: <a href="https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/ECON-PR-732670">https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/ECON-PR-732670</a> FR.pdf Project: <a href="https://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-9676-2022-INIT/en/pdf">https://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-9676-2022-INIT/en/pdf</a>





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