Global Regulatory Change, Securities Markets and Systemic Risk

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Structure

• **Part 1:** IOSCO

• **Part 2:** The regulatory landscape

• **Part 3:** Systemic risk identification and structured retail products
Part I: IOSCO
What is IOSCO? (1)

• International Standard setter for Securities markets.

• Consists of world’s securities and futures market regulators.

• It spans over 120 jurisdictions and regulates more than 95% of the world’s securities markets.
What is IOSCO? (2)

The main objectives:

- Cooperate to promote high standards or regulation.

- Exchange information on respective experiences.

- Unite efforts to establish standards and an effective surveillance of international securities transactions.

- Provide mutual assistance to promote the integrity of the markets.

- Identify and manage systemic risk.
What is IOSCO? (3)

- **Committee 1**, which focuses on accounting, auditing and corporate disclosures;
- **Committee 2**, which focuses on the regulation of stock exchanges (secondary markets);
- **Committee 3**, which focuses on the regulation of market intermediaries such as broker-dealers, investment banks, etc.;
- **Committee 4**, which focuses on cross-border securities law enforcement matters;
- **Committee 5**, which focuses on the regulation of mutual funds and other “collective investment schemes” and
- **Committee 6**, dealing with credit rating agencies.
- **Committee 7**, dealing with commodity futures

Task Force on Unregulated Markets and Products
What is IOSCO? (4)

- Research at IOSCO

- A research function consisting of:
  - A Standing Committee on Risk and Research (SCRR); and
  - An independent Research Department.
Part II: The Regulatory Landscape
IOSCO’s place in the global regulatory reform agenda

**G20 Leadership**
- Connection to political process
- Global credibility

**IOSCO**
- Securities markets regulation

**Other Standard Setters**
- Banking
- Insurance
- Payments and Clearing

**FSB**
- Financial stability
- Coordination

**IMF and World Bank**
- Global macro-economic focus
- Implementation of standards and peer reviews
Regulatory trends

• Numerous regulations, stricter regulatory regimes.

• Focus on addressing systemic risk and financial stability

• Emphasis on market surveillance

• Calls for transparency and disclosure

• Stricter capital requirement rules on credit institutions (Basel I, II etc.; Financial Market Infrastructures (CPSS/IOSCO Standards, Margin requirements for financial market infrastructures); new rules for derivatives traders and clearers (CCPs, collateral etc.)
What does this mean for securities markets?

• Increasing role of securities markets in financing the global economy.

• Increased reliance on shadow-banking sector and market-based finance e.g. SRPs, ETFs and MMFs.

• Doors of emerging markets are opening to these types of products.

• At the same time:
  – renewed pressure for stricter disclosure and transparency
  – Focus on systemic risk identification and monitoring, market-based finance products under increased scrutiny.
Part III: Systemic risk identification and structured retail products.
Systemic risk identification system

• No concrete methodology for identifying, monitoring or assessing systemic risk for securities regulators.

• Data gaps also an issue.

• Research Department’s system will therefore:
  – Provide a standardized and comprehensive approach across jurisdictions
  – Guide data collection.
Five elements of the System

1. **Multi-level indicators** – macro, micro and thematic

2. **Systemic Risk Factors** – to distinguish *systemic* risk and guide the development/use of indicators

3. **A two-sided approach** – top-down and bottom-up to ensure external and internal risk factors are taken into account.

4. **Adaptability** – indicators in the system can be applied meaningfully to different jurisdictions with different systemic risk concerns.

5. **Flexibility** – to allow the system to evolve as data is gathered and new risks emerge.
# Systemic Risk Factors

- Size
- Liquidity
- Cross-Jurisdictional
- Transparency
- Interconnectedness
- Substitutability and Institution structure
- Market Integrity and efficiency
- Concentration
- Behaviour
- Incentive Structure
- Leverage
- Regulation
- Complexity

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- Market Integrity and efficiency
Top-down and bottom-up

Top – down Approach

Macro Indicators

Broad Securities Market Indicators

Thematic Indicators

Flagged potential/emerging risks in sec. mkts.

Bottom – up Approach

Systemic risk identification
Example using SRPs

- **Systemic risk factors are**
  - Size,
  - Complexity
  - Incentive structure
  - Transparency
  - Concentration
  - Interconnectedness
  - Liquidity
  - Market efficiency.

Data gaps?
Conclusion

• Feedback? Thoughts? Questions?