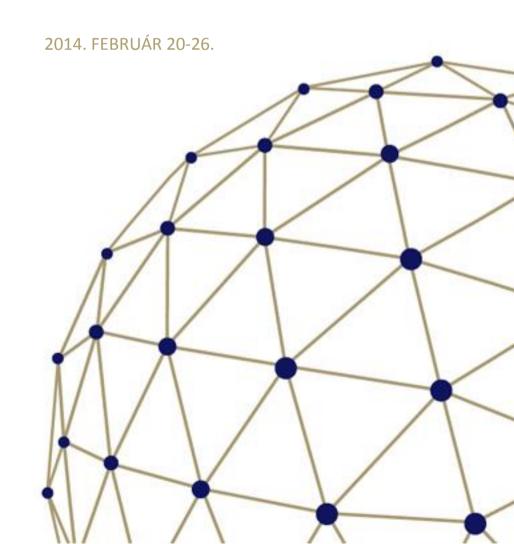


Válogatás

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1. MONETÁRIS POLITIKA, INFLÁCIÓ

ELA procedures , 21/02/2014	ECB
http://www.ecb.europa.eu/pub/pdf/other/201402_elaprocedures.en.pdf	Publication
The note sets out the procedures aimed at adequately ensuring the performance of the Governing Council's role pursuant to Article 14.4 of the Statute of the European System of Central Banks and of the European Central Bank with regard to the provision of emergency liquidity assistance (ELA) to individual credit institutions. They are binding for all national central bank, and their adequacy is reviewed at regular intervals.	
ECB Annual Accounts 2013, 20/02/2014	ECB
http://www.ecb.europa.eu/pub/pdf/annrep/ar2013annualaccounts en.pdf	Publication
Net profit for 2013 of €1,440 million (2012: €995 million), after a transfer to the risk provision of €0.4 million (2012: €1,166 million)	+ Press Release
■ A total of €1,430 million (2012: €998 million) distributed to the euro area national central banks	
■ €962 million (2012: €1,108 million) net interest income arising from securities purchased under the Securities Markets Programme	
■ €406 million (2012: €633 million) interest income earned on the ECB's share of the total euro banknotes in circulation	
■ Total size of the ECB's Balance Sheet amounted to €174 billion (2012: €207 billion)	
■ Net interest income totalled €2,005 million in 2013 (2012: €2,289 million).	
Related press release: http://www.ecb.europa.eu/press/pr/date/2014/html/pr140220.en.html	

2. PÉNZÜGYI STABILITÁS, PÉNZÜGYI PIACOK

http://www.ecb.europa.eu/press/key/date/2014/html/sp140226.en.html Speech by Yves Mersch, Member of the Executive Board of the ECB, Renminbi Forum, Luxembourg, 26 February 2014	Speech
February 2014	
Global financial stability - the road ahead	BIS
http://www.bis.org/review/r140226b.pdf?frames=0	Central Bankers
Remarks by Mr William C Dudley , President and Chief Executive Officer of the Federal Reserve Bank of	Speech
New York, at the Tenth Asia-Pacific High Level Meeting on Banking Supervision, Auckland, New Zealand, 26	
February 2014.	
Monetary policy and financial stability	BIS
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Speech by Mr Daniel K Tarullo , Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, at the	Speech
30th Annual National Association for Business Economics Economic Policy Conference, Arlington, Virginia,	
25 February 2014.	

From financial crisis to financial stability - a European odyssey http://www.bis.org/review/r140224b.pdf?frames=0	BIS Central Bankers
Speech by Mr George A Provopoulos , Governor of the Bank of Greece, at the Bank of Poland Biannual EU Presidency Lecture "From Financial Crisis to Financial Stability: A European Odyssey", Warsaw, 12 February 2014.	Speech
Banks, Greece and SME access to loans top agenda in meeting with Dijsselbloem, 20/02/2014 http://www.europarl.europa.eu/news/en/news-room/content/20140217IPR36232/html/Banks-Greece-and-SME-access-to-loans-top-agenda-in-meeting-with-Dijsselbloem	EU Press Release
The distribution of debt across euro area countries: the role individual characteristics, institutions and credit conditions, 20/02/2014 http://www.ecb.europa.eu/pub/pdf/scpwps/ecbwp1639.pdf	ECB Working Paper
The aim of this paper is twofold. First, we present an up-to-date assessment of the differences across euro area countries in the distributions of various measures of debt conditional on household characteristics. We consider three different outcomes: the probability of holding debt, the amount of debt held and, in the case of secured debt, the interest rate paid on the main mortgage. Second, we examine the role of legal and economic institutions in accounting for these differences. We use data from the first wave of a new survey of household finances, the Household Finance and Consumption Survey, to achieve these aims. We find that the patterns of secured and unsecured debt outcomes vary markedly across countries. Among all the institutions considered, the length of asset repossession periods best accounts for the features of the distribution of secured debt. In countries with longer repossession periods, the fraction of people who borrow is smaller, the youngest group of households borrow lower amounts (conditional on borrowing), and the mortgage interest rates paid by low-income households are higher. Regulatory loan-to-value ratios, the taxation of mortgages and the prevalence of interest-only or fixed-rate mortgages deliver less robust results.	
Central clearing and collateral demand, 20/02/2014 http://www.ecb.europa.eu/pub/pdf/scpwps/ecbwp1638.pdf	ECB Working Paper
We use an extensive data set of bilateral exposures on credit default swap (CDS) to estimate the impact on collateral demand of new margin and clearing practices and regulations. We decompose collateral demand for both customers and dealers into several key components, including the "velocity drag" associated with variation margin movements. We demonstrate the impact on collateral demand of more widespread initial margin requirements, increased novation of CDS to central clearing parties (CCPs), an increase in the number of clearing members, the proliferation of CCPs of both specialized and non-specialized types, and client clearing. Among other results, we show that system-wide collateral demand is increased significantly by the application of initial margin requirements for dealers, whether or not the CDS are cleared. Given these dealer-to-dealer initial margin requirements, however, mandatory central clearing is shown to <i>lower</i> , not raise, system-wide collateral demand, provided there is no significant proliferation of CCPs. Central clearing does, however, have significant distributional consequences for collateral requirements across various types of market participants.	
Spain: Financial Sector Reform—Final Progress Report, 20/02/2014 http://www.imf.org/external/pubs/ft/scr/2014/cr1459.pdf	IMF Publication
Spain undertook a major program of financial sector reform during the last 18 months with support from the European Stability Mechanism (ESM). On June 25, 2012, Spain requested financial assistance from the European Financial Stability Facility (EFSF) to support the ongoing restructuring and recapitalization of its financial sector. The Eurogroup approved this support, with Spain's commitments under the 18-month program outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding on Financial Sector Policy Conditionality (MoU) of July 20, 2012. In November 2012, responsibility for providing financial support for the program was transferred from the EFSF to Europe's new permanent rescue mechanism, the ESM, without this assistance gaining seniority status. The program concluded as scheduled in January 2014.	

This report provides information and analysis on Spain's financial sector reform program. At the program's outset, the Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness, the Bank of Spain, and the European Commission requested that IMF staff provide such monitoring via quarterly reports. This is the fifth and final such report, the publication of which marks the end of this type of monitoring, which IMF staff has conducted as a form of technical assistance under Article V, Section 2(b), of the IMF's Articles of Agreement. Views expressed in the report are those of IMF staff and do not necessarily represent those of the IMF's Executive Board. Further information on the objective and scope of these reports is in the Terms of Reference. IMF staff is not a party to the MoU, nor responsible for the conditionality or implementation thereof.

3. MIKROPRUDENCIÁLIS FELÜGYELET ÉS SZABÁLYOZÁS

Banking on leverage http://www.bis.org/speeches/sp140226.pdf Keynote address by Stefan Ingves Chairman, Basel Committee on Banking Supervision and Governor, Sveriges Riksbank to the 10th Asia-Pacific High-Level Meeting on Banking Supervision jointly organised by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (BCBS), the Financial Stability Institute (FSI), and the Executives' Meeting of East Asia-Pacific Central Banks Working Group on Banking Supervision (EMEAP WGBS), Auckland, New Zealand, 25–27 February 2014.	BIS-BCBS Speech
Verena Ross delivers keynote speech on "Liquidity and new financial market regulation" at AFME European Market Liquidity Conference http://www.esma.europa.eu/news/Verena-Ross-delivers-keynote-speech-AFME-European-Market-Liquidity-Conference?t=326&o=home	ESMA Speech
Interview with Gabriel Bernardino, Chairman of EIOPA, conducted by Fabrizio Aurilia, the Insurance Review (Italy) https://eiopa.europa.eu/fileadmin/tx_dam/files/Press-Room/speeches/Gabriel_Bernardino Insurance Review 01.pdf	EIOPA Speech
Insurance: better information, advice and protection for clients, 26/02/2014 http://www.europarl.europa.eu/news/en/news-room/content/20140221IPR36633/html/Insurance- better-information-advice-and-protection-for-clients	EU Press Release
European Parliament and Council back Commission proposal for strengthened European rules on UCITS, 25/02/2014 http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release STATEMENT-14-27 en.htm?locale=en	EU Press Release
State aid: Overview of decisions and on-going in-depth investigations in the context of the financial crisis, 24/02/2014 http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release MEMO-14-126 en.htm?locale=en	EU Press Release
State aid: Commission approves restructuring of Cypriot cooperative banks, 24/02/2014 http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release IP-14-186 en.htm?locale=en	EU Press Release
Money laundering: MEPs vote to end anonymity of owners of companies and trusts, 20/02/2014 http://www.europarl.europa.eu/news/en/news-room/content/20140210IPR35562/html/Money-laundering-MEPs-vote-to-end-anonymity-of-owners-of-companies-and-trusts	EU Press Release
ESMA Stakeholder Group elects Chair and Vice-Chairs, 25/02/2014 http://www.esma.europa.eu/news/Press-statement-ESMA-Stakeholder-Group-elects-Chair-and-Vice-Chairs Chairs	ESMA Press Release

http://www.esma.europa.eu/news/ESMA-launches-one-stop-shop-EU-regulated-investment-information	ESMA Press Release
IOSCO Focuses on Deeper Markets, Stronger Regulatory Capacity to Enhance Emerging Market	IOSCO
Resilience, 21/02/2014	Press Release
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Rational blinders: strategic selection of risk models and bank capital regulation, 21/02/2014	ECB
http://www.ecb.europa.eu/pub/pdf/scpwps/ecbwp1641.pdf	Working Pap
The regulatory use of banks' internal models aims at making capital requirements more accurate and	
reducing regulatory arbitrage, but may also give banks incentives to choose their risk models strategically.	
Current policy answers to this problem include the use of risk-weight floors and leverage ratios. I show	
that banks for which those are binding reduce their credit supply, which drives interest rates up, invites	
other banks to adopt optimistic models and possibly increases aggregate risk in the banking sector.	
Instead, the strategic use of risk models can be avoided by imposing penalties on banks with low risk-	
weights when they suffer abnormal losses or bailing out defaulting banks that truthfully reported high risk	
measures. If such selective bail-outs are not desirable, second-best capital requirements still rely on	
internal models, but less than in the first-best.	
ESMA-EBA: Euribor makes significant progress with reforms, 20/02/2014	EBA/ESMA
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FSB Chair's Letter to G20 Ministers and Governors on financial reforms, 23/02/2014	FSB
http://www.financialstabilityboard.org/publications/r_140222.pdf	Publication
The FSB published on 23 February a letter from the Chairman to G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank	
Governors on progress and challenges in the financial reform programme, including the priorities for completing core international reform policies by the Brisbane G20 Summit.	
This letter reviews what remains to complete the job, and then outlines the characteristics of financial supervision and regulation needed to realise fully the benefits of an open, integrated global financial	
system. The continued support of G20 Ministers and Governors will be critical to ensure that we don't just fix past fault lines but build a system that can evolve with the global economy to support strong, sustainable and balanced growth across the G20.	

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Commissioner Šemeta welcomes G20 Finance Ministers' agreement on global tax transparency	EU
standard, 23/02/2014	Press Release
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Antitrust: Commission makes Visa Europe's commitments to cut inter-bank fees and to facilitate cross-	EU
border competition legally binding, 26/02/2014	Press Releases
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Related press release:	
Antitrust: Commission makes Visa Europe's commitments binding – frequently asked questions, $26/02/2014$	
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Central securities depositories: Council confirms agreement with EP, 26/02/2014	EU
http://ue.eu.int/uedocs/cms_data/docs/pressdata/en/ecofin/141199.pdf	Press Release
Economic Affairs Committee backs plan to update online payment rules, 20/02/2014	EU
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MEPs back cap on card payment fees, 20/02/2014	EU
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on-card-payment-fees	
Third report on card fraud – February 2014, 25/02/2014	ECB
http://www.ecb.europa.eu/pub/pdf/other/cardfraudreport201402en.pdf	Publication +
Card fraud within the Single Euro Payments Area (SEPA) increased in 2012 for the first time since 2008, driven mainly by higher internet fraud. The third report on card fraud, published by the European Central Bank, finds that more efforts will be required to ensure the security of online card payments as internet purchases continue to grow. At the same time, fraud as a share of the total value of transactions remained below the levels recorded between 2008 and 2010.	Press Release
In 2012 some 60% of the value of fraud resulted from card-not-present (CNP) payments – i.e. payments via post, telephone or the internet – while roughly one-quarter resulted from point-of-sale (POS) terminals and about one-sixth from automated teller machines (ATMs).	

Related press release:	
New report on card fraud shows online fraud increased in 2012, 25/02/2014	
http://www.ecb.europa.eu/press/pr/date/2014/html/pr140225.en.html	

6. ÁLTALÁNOS GAZDASÁGPOLITIKA

Interview with Expresso	ECB
http://www.ecb.europa.eu/press/inter/date/2014/html/sp140222.en.html	Interview
Interview with Peter Praet , Member of the ECB's Executive Board, for Expresso, conducted by João Silvestre and Ricardo Costa on 18 February 2014	
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A joint mission from the European Commission, the ECB and the IMF met with the Portuguese authorities in Lisbon between 2-16 December 2013 to assess compliance with the terms and conditions established in the eighth update of the Memorandum of Understanding under the Programme for Portugal. The objectives of the Programme are to restore sound public finances, improve competitiveness and put Portugal's economy back on the path of sustainable growth and job creation. The report provides a deep assessment of compliance and summarises the main findings of the mission. The mission concluded that the programme implementation is broadly on track. The Portuguese authorities remain perseverant to complete the indispensable fiscal adjustment and to implement relevant structural reforms. Most of the	

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