

Tendencias en la regulación: cambios recientes en la regulación y supervisión en Iberoamérica

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Areas of focus during the last year for the Portuguese supervisor

Regulatory initiatives at European level

- Solvency II regime revision
- Insurance Recovery and Resolution regime creation
- Digital Finance, including digital operational resilience
- Sustainable Finance
- EU Retail Investment Strategy

Regulatory initiatives at national level

- Sismic fund
- **Diversity and inclusion** promotion



Solvency II regime revision and creation of an insurance recovery and resolution regime

Regulatory Initiatives

Solvency II Directive revision

- New proportionality requirements e.g. creation of a new category of undertakings: small and noncomplex (SNC)
- Reporting and audit requirements can be adjusted in times of constraints (e.g. pandemic)
- New method for the extrapolation of the interest rate risk term structure
- Introduction of a new design for the volatility adjustment
- Recalibration of the Solvency Capital Requirement (SCR) calculation
- New macroprudential requirements (e.g. report to the supervisor of liquidity management plans)
- Creation of a new register for cross-border activities
- Inclusion of sustainability requirements
- New powers for the national competent authorities in the context of group supervision



Solvency II regime revision and creation of an insurance recovery and resolution regime

Regulatory Initiatives

- Insurance Recovery and Resolution Directive (IRRD)
 - Establishment of national resolution authorities for insurance
 - Requirement to set preventive recovery plans
 - Requirement to create resolution plans (by decision of the national resolution authority, where needed)
 - Definition of the conditions for resolution, applicable principles, assessment, instruments, and financing
- Political agreement at EU level reached by the end of 2023
- Next steps (most likely)
 - Endorsement of the political agreement by co-legislators will only happen after the European elections
 - Earliest entry into force would then be in September 2024, earliest date of application in September 2026



Digital Finance, including digital operational resilience

Regulatory Initiatives

- At European Union level:
 - Development of Regulatory Technical Standards (RTS) and Implementing Technical Standards (ITS) that complete Regulation (EU) 2022/2054 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 December 2022 (DORA Digital Operational Resilience Act)
 - DORA's main objectives are to harmonise the management of risks associated with information and communication technologies (ICT), the report of major ICT-related incidents, to set new rules on digital resilience testing, to manage the risks associated with ICT third-party providers, and to promote information sharing within the EU
 - DORA will be applicable from 17 January 2025
 - Political agreement on a Directive for the regulation of Artificial Intelligence (AI Act)
 - The objective is to ensure that AI systems used in the EU are safe, transparent, traceable, nondiscriminatory and environmentally friendly



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- At national level (Portugal):
 - ASF will anticipate the reporting of major ICT-related incidents, before the application of DORA, already in 2024
 - The existing Regulation on ICT security and governance and outsourcing to cloud service providers, currently applicable to insurers only (Regulation 6/2022-R, of 7 June), will be extended to pension funds management entities