

Template for notifying the reciprocation of other authorities' macroprudential measures

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1. Notifying national authority and scope of the notification		
1.1	Name of the notifying authority.	Haut Conseil de stabilité financière (HCSF)
1.2	Name of the reciprocating measure.	Five percentage point increase in risk-weights applied by French credit institutions using the internal-ratings based (IRB) approach to their residential mortgage loans exposures for which the collateral is located in Belgium.
2. Description of the reciprocating measure		
2.1	Description of the reciprocating measure.	<p>In January 2016 the National Bank of Belgium has decided to prolong its national measure taken under Art. 458(2) (d) point (vi) of the CRR (i.e. a 5 percentage point add-on to the IRB-banks' internal risk weights for Belgian mortgage loans) for one additional year starting from 28 May 2016 in line with Art 458(9) of the CRR.</p> <p>To ensure effectiveness of the Belgian measure and to avoid any possible future distortions in Belgian financial markets, the HCSF decides to follow the framework on voluntary reciprocation for macroprudential policy measures set out in Recommendation ESRB/2015/2 and thus to reciprocate the 5 percentage point risk-weight add-on to Belgian mortgage loans exposures of French credit institutions.</p> <p>More specifically, the risk-weight add-on is applied to residential mortgage loans exposures for which the collateral is located in Belgium of French credit institutions using the IRB approach.</p>

2.2	Coverage	<p>The HCSF's reciprocity holds for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Credit institutions established in France, using the IRB approach and having residential mortgage loans exposures, for which the collateral is located in Belgium, through their branches located in Belgium (in accordance with Art. 458(5) CRR and Decision HCSF-D2016-1); - Credit institutions established in France, using the IRB approach, directly providing across borders residential mortgage loans for which the collateral is located in Belgium. For these institutions, the HCSF recommends and mandates the Autorité de Contrôle Prudentiel et de Résolution (ACPR) to define and implement a macroprudential measure that is the most appropriate to ensure effective reciprocity of the measure adopted by the National Bank of Belgium (Recommendation HCSF-R2016-1). The ACPR is asked for the next meeting of the HCSF to inform the High Council about the definition and implementation of this measure.
2.3	Exemptions ("de minimis" principle)	No exemption

3. Timing		
3.1	Timing of the decision	15/03/2016
3.2	Timing of the publication	15/03/2016

3.3	Disclosure	The HCSF adopted the measure on 15/03/2016 and published it on its website on the same day.
3.4	Timing of the application	The measure is effective from 16/03/2016 regarding the perimeter of CRR Art. 458(5) and the ACPR is mandated by the HCSF for the definition and implementation of the measure to be applied for the concerned cross-border direct exposures.
4. Miscellaneous		
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4.2	Any other relevant information.	