



## Notification template for Article 131 CRD – Other Systemically Important Institutions (O-SII)

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1. Notifying national authority			
<b>1.1 Name of the notifying authority</b>	Národná banka Slovenska		
2. Description of the measure			
<b>2.1 Concerned institution or group of institutions</b>	The institutions to which the measure is applied:		
	Bank	LEI code	
	Všeobecná úverová banka, a.s.	549300JB1P61FUTPEZ75	
	Slovenská sporiteľňa, a.s.	549300S2T3FWVWXWJI89	
	Tatra banka, a.s.	3157002JBF4I478MD587	
	Československá obchodná banka, a.s.	52990096Q5LMCH1WU462	
	Poštová banka, a.s.	315700PLTAXHBHZZP5J02	
	The measure is applied on both individual and sub-consolidated level.		
<b>2.2 Level of the buffer applied</b>	<b>Bank</b>	<b>O-SII buffer from 1st January 2019</b>	
	Všeobecná úverová banka, a.s.	1%	
	Slovenská sporiteľňa, a.s.	1%	
	Tatra banka, a.s.	0.5%	
	Československá obchodná banka, a.s.	1%	
	Poštová banka, a.s.	1%	
<b>2.3 Name of the EU ultimate parent institution</b>	<b>Bank</b>	<b>Ultimate parent</b>	<b>LEI code</b>
	Všeobecná úverová banka, a.s.	Intesa Sanpaolo Spa	815600A0090DB5D4D574
	Slovenská sporiteľňa, a.s.	ERSTE Group Bank AG	PQOH26KWDF7CG10L6792
	Tatra banka, a.s.	Raiffeisen-Landesbanken-Holding GmbH	529900JP9C734S1LE008
	Československá obchodná banka, a.s.	KBC Group NV	213800X3Q9LSAKRUWY91
	Poštová banka, a.s.	J&T FINANCE GROUP SE	315700E9POA724IWF59
<b>2.4 Names of subsidiaries</b>	<b>Bank</b>	<b>Subsidiary</b>	<b>LEI code</b>
	Československá obchodná banka, a.s.	ČSOB stavebná sporiteľňa, a.s.	097900BEMW0000006310
3. Timing of the measure			
<b>3.1 Timing of the Decision</b>	The official decision is planned on 29 May 2018		

<b>3.2 Timing of the Publication</b>	The decision will be published within 10 working days after the decision is taken.
<b>3.3 Disclosure</b>	The decision will be published on the website of the Národná banka Slovenska and will be also delivered via mail to all the identified O-SIIs.
<b>3.4 Timing of Application</b>	Under Article 33d of the Slovak Banking Act (Article 131(12) CRD IV) the list of O-SIIs and the O-SII buffers should be reviewed at least annually. NBS identified O-SIIs in Slovakia and set the O-SII buffer and the systemic risk buffer for these institutions first in May 2015, with the activation of the measures from 1 January 2016. The decision to reset O-SII buffers based on this annual revision should be applicable from 1 January 2019.
<b>3.5 Phasing in</b>	As this decision is about to reset O-SII buffers, there is no phase-in planned and the O-SII buffers will be fully applied from 1 January 2019.
<b>3.6 Review of the measure</b>	The next decision should be taken in May 2019.

#### 4. Reason for O-SII identification and activation of the O-SII buffer

<b>4.1 Scores of concerned institution or group of institutions, as per EBA guidelines on the assessment of O-SIIs (Article 131.3)</b>	<b>Bank</b>	<b>Overall score (in basis points)</b>
	Všeobecná úverová banka, a.s.	2 067
	Slovenská sporiteľňa, a.s.	1 798
	Tatra banka, a.s.	1 388
	Československá obchodná banka, a.s.	1 203
	Poštová banka, a.s.	529
<b>4.2 Methodology and indicators used for designation of the O-SII (Article 131.3)</b>	<p>Please provide information on:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>whether you followed the EBA guidelines on the assessment of O-SIIs The EBA guidelines were fully followed when identifying O-SIIs.</li> <li>which threshold score has been set to identify O-SIIs Due to the relatively small number of banks in the Slovak banking sector the threshold was set to 425 basis points.</li> <li>which overall score is attributed to the O-SIIs See section 4.1 above.</li> <li>which of the optional indicators have been used to justify supervisory assessment decisions, if any, and what are the scores 3 optional indicators have been used: total RWA, retail loans and retail deposits.</li> <li>why these optional indicators are relevant for the Member State The Slovak banking sector is relatively traditional and conservative, focusing mainly on the domestic market. Therefore, the retail sector is particularly important for the banks, both on the assets and liabilities side of the balance sheet. Also, risk exposures are a key indicator of the “risk adjusted size” of the banks.</li> <li>why the bank is systemically important in terms of those particular optional indicators The indicators have been included to better capture the specificities of the whole banking sector. Therefore, there is no single bank that can be pointed out in this regard.</li> <li>whether relevant entities with relative total assets not in excess of 0.02% have been excluded from the identification process As the Slovak banking sector consists only of 12 banks/subsidiaries and 15 branches, all banks as well as branches have been included in the calculations.</li> <li>names and scores of all relevant entities not excluded from the identification process (could be sent in a separate excel file, see 4.1)</li> <li>whether non-bank institutions have been included in the calculations</li> </ol>	

	Non-bank institutions have not been included in the calculation.
<b>4.3 Supervisory judgement</b>	O-SIIs have been identified by adding the three optional indicators to the list of the 10 mandatory indicators. These optional indicators have been included in a 5th category (criterion) “optional indicators”. The weights have been set in line with the EBA methodology: every criterion has an equal weight and within every criterion all indicators are equally weighted. The list of identified O-SIIs would be the same using only the mandatory indicators or using the adjusted list of indicators divided into 5 criterions.
<b>4.4 Calibrating the O-SII buffer</b>	Identified O-SIIs are required to maintain a combination of O-SII buffer and SRB (see section 6). The O-SII buffers have been calibrated, together with the SRB, based on the score of the identified institutions.
<b>4.5 Effectiveness and proportionality of measure</b>	As the decision is only to reset the O-SII buffers and SRB within the annual review, this point is not relevant.
<b>5. Cross-border and cross-sector impact of the measure</b>	
<b>5.1 Assessment of cross-border effects and the likely impact on the internal market (Recommendation ESRB/2015/2)</b>	As the decision is only to reset the O-SII buffers and SRB within the annual review, this point is not relevant.
<b>5.2 Assessment of leakages and regulatory arbitrage within the notifying Member State</b>	As the decision is only to reset the O-SII buffers and SRB within the annual review, this point is not relevant.
<b>6. Combinations and interactions with other measures</b>	
<b>6.1 Combinations between G-SII and O-SII buffers (Article 131.14)</b>	N/A: there are no G-SIIs identified in Slovakia.
<b>6.2 Combinations with SRB buffers (Article 131.14 + Article 133.5)</b>	<p>The SRB have been set for the identified O-SIIs as well. As all O-SIIs are subsidiaries of institutions that have been already identified as O-SIIs, based on Article 131(8) CRD IV the maximum O-SII buffer rate is largely limited.</p> <p>O-SII buffers and SRBs should each be maintained on both an individual and sub-consolidated basis. The O-SII buffer applies to the institution’s total risk exposure amount, while the SRB applies to all the institution's exposures in the Slovak Republic. As the SRB buffer applies only to domestic exposures, it is to be cumulative with the O-SII buffer (Article 133(5) CRD IV).</p>

	Bank	Targeted sum of O-SII buffer and SRB	Structure of the buffer from 1 January 2019	
	Všeobecná úverová banka, a.s.	2%	1% O-SII buffer + 1% SRB	
	Slovenská sporiteľňa, a.s.	2%	1% O-SII buffer + 1% SRB	
	Tatra banka, a.s.	1.5%	0.5% O-SII buffer + 1% SRB	
	Československá obchodná banka, a.s.	1%	1% O-SII buffer	
	Poštová banka, a.s.	1%	1% O-SII buffer	
6.3 O-SII requirement for a subsidiary (Article 131.8)	Bank	Ultimate parent	O-SII buffer	G-SII buffer
	Všeobecná úverová banka, a.s.	Intesa Sanpaolo Spa	0.75%	N/A
	Slovenská sporiteľňa, a.s.	Erste Group Bank AG*	2%	N/A
	Tatra banka, a.s.	Raiffeisen-Landesbanken-Holding GmbH*	2%	N/A
	Československá obchodná banka, a.s.	KBC Group NV	1.5%	N/A
	Poštová banka, a.s.	J&T Finance Group SE	Not applied	N/A
6.4 Interaction with other measures	No interaction.			

7. Miscellaneous	
7.1 Contact person(s) at notifying authority	Ján Klacso, phone: +421 2 5787 2899, mail: jan.klacso@nbs.sk
7.2 Any other relevant information	N/A