

Saudi Arabia **Jurisdiction:**

2015 IMN Survey of National Progress in the Implementation of **G20/FSB Recommendations**

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I.	Hedge funds		·		
I. 1 (2)	Hedge funds Registration, appropriate disclosures and oversight of hedge funds	We also firmly recommitted to work in an internationally consistent and non- discriminatory manner to strengthen regulation and supervision on hedge funds. (Seoul) Hedge funds or their managers will be registered and will be required to disclose appropriate information on an ongoing basis to supervisors or	 Jurisdictions should indicate the progress made in implementing the high level principles contained in IOSCO's <u>Report on Hedge Fund Oversight (Jun 2009)</u>. In particular, jurisdictions should specify whether: Hedge Funds (HFs) and/or HF managers are subject to mandatory registration Registered HF managers are subject 	 Not applicable Applicable but no action envisaged at the moment Implementation ongoing: <i>Status of progress :</i> Draft in preparation, expected publication by: Draft published as of: Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on: 	If this recommendation has not yet been fully implemented, please provide reasons for delayed implementation: Planned actions (if any) and expected commencement date: Web-links to relevant documents:
		regulators, including on their leverage, necessary for assessment of the systemic risks they pose individually or collectively. Where appropriate registration should be subject to a minimum size. They will be subject to oversight to ensure that they have adequate risk management. (London)	 to appropriate ongoing requirements regarding: Organisational and operational standards; Conflicts of interest and other conduct of business rules; Disclosure to investors; and Prudential regulation. 	 □ Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since : ☑ Implementation completed as of: Listing Rules (2004), Investment Funds Regulation (2006) Issue is being addressed through : ☑ Primary / Secondary legislation ☑ Regulation /Guidelines □ Other actions (such as supervisory actions), please specify: Short description of the content of the legislation/regulation/guideline: All investment funds activities are regulated under Chapter six of the Capital Market Law (CML) and the CMA Investment Funds Regulations including hedge funds to ensure that their activities in the markets do not pose risks 	



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				More disclosure requirements have been proposed in the Draft Revised Investment	
				Funds Regulations. We do not currently	
				have any hedge funds established in the	
				Kingdom.	
				Highlight main developments since last year's survey:	
				Web-links to relevant documents:	
				http://www.cma.org.sa/en/AboutCMA/C MALaw/Pages/default.aspx http://cma.org.sa/En/Pages/Implementing _Regulations.aspx	
				Additional questions:	
				1. Please indicate whether Hedge Funds (HFs) are domiciled locally and, if available, the size of the industry in terms of Assets under Management and number of HFs.	
				Not Applicable – No hedge Funds	
				established currently in the Kingdom.	
				2. Please specify the main criteria and numerical thresholds (if applicable) for subjecting HFs and/or HF managers to mandatory registration.	
				Not Applicable – No hedge Funds established currently in the Kingdom.	
				3. Please specify whether registered HF managers are subject to ongoing requirements regarding organisational and operational standards; conflicts of interest and	



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				other conduct of business rules; disclosure to investors; and prudential regulation. If any of these requirements are not applicable, please explain.	
				Not Applicable – No hedge Funds established currently in the Kingdom	
				4. Please describe the main challenges (where relevant) and any lessons learned in implementing this reform.	
				Not Applicable – No hedge Funds established currently in the Kingdom	
				5. Are you monitoring the effects of this reform in your jurisdiction? If yes, please share the main findings and any related policy initiatives in response to those findings.	
				Not Applicable – No hedge Funds established currently in the Kingdom.	



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No 2 (3)	DescriptionG20/FSB RecommendatioEstablishment of international information sharing frameworkWe ask the FSB to develop mecha for cooperation and information sh between relevant authorities in ord ensure effective oversight is maint 	isms Jurisdictions should indicate the progress made in implementing the high level principles in IOSCO's <u>Report on Hedge</u> ined <u>Fund Oversight (Jun 2009)</u> on sharing t information to facilitate the oversight of will, globally active fund managers. op In addition, jurisdictions should state	Progress to date □ Not applicable □ Applicable but no action envisaged at the moment □ Implementation ongoing: Status of progress: □ Draft in preparation, expected publication by: □ Draft published as of: □ Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on: □ Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since : ☑ Implementation completed as of: 2010 Issue is being addressed through : □ Primary / Secondary legislation □ Regulation /Guidelines ☑ Other actions (such as supervisory actions), please specify: The CMA is a member of IOSCO, and is signatory to the IOSCO Multilateral Memorandum of Understanding concerning the Consultation and cooperation and the Exchange of Information (IOSCO MMoU). Short description of the content of the legislation/ regulation/guideline: Highlight main developments since last	Next steps If this recommendation has not yet been fully implemented, please provide reasons for delayed implementation: Planned actions (if any) and expected commencement date: Web-links to relevant documents:



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				Web-links to relevant documents:	



3 Enhancing courses (4)	nent institutions which have hedge funds as their counterparties have effective risk management, including mechanisms to	 institutions which have hedge funds as their counterparties have effective risk management, including mechanisms to monitor the funds' leverage and set limits for single counterparty exposures. (London) 	ged Status of progress: □ Draft in preparation, expected	Planned actions (if any) and expected commencement date: Web-links to relevant documents:
	Supervisors will strengthen their existing guidance on the management of exposures to leveraged counterparties. (Rec. II.17, FSF 2008)	exposures to leveraged counterparties. <u>Institutions (Jan 1999)</u>	 ple Draft published as of: Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on: Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since : Implementation completed as of: Prudential Rules (2012) Issue is being addressed through : Primary / Secondary legislation Regulation /Guidelines Other actions (such as supervisory actions), please specify: Periodic submission of financial information by persons authorised by the CMA to conduct securities businesses (APs) with net capital computation per Prudential Rules (PRs). APs are also 	
	guidance on the management of exposures to leveraged counterparties.	guidance on the management of exposures to leveraged counterparties. (Rec. II.17, FSF 2008)Interactions with Highly Levera Institutions (Jan 1999)• BCBS Banks' Interactions with Highly Leveraged Institutions (Jan 1999)	Periodic submission of financial information by persons authorised by the CMA to conduct securities businesses (APs) with net capital computation per	



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				by the CMA, have been structured in	
				accordance with the capital adequacy	
				requirements per Basel recommendation,	
				Basel II approach.	
				Short description of the content of the legislation/ regulation/guideline:	
				With regard to counterparty Credit Risk	
				Management, CMA monitors and	
				regulates AP's in the capital market	
				through the implementation of the PRs	
				which incorporates Basel's standards on	
				capital adequacy.	
				Highlight main developments since last year's survey:	
				Web-links to relevant documents:	
				http://cma.org.sa/En/Pages/Implementing _Regulations.aspx	



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Ι	I. Securitisation	- -		- -	
4 (6)	Strengthening of regulatory and capital framework for monolines	Insurance supervisors should strengthen the regulatory and capital framework for monoline insurers in relation to structured credit. (Rec II.8, FSF 2008)	 Jurisdictions should indicate the policy measures taken for strengthening the regulatory and capital framework for monolines. See, for reference, the following principles issued by IAIS: ICP 13 – Reinsurance and Other Forms of Risk Transfer; ICP 15 – Investments; and ICP 17 - Capital Adequacy. Jurisdictions may also refer to: IAIS <u>Guidance paper on enterprise risk management for capital adequacy and solvency purposes (Oct 2008).</u> Joint Forum document on <u>Mortgage insurance: market structure, underwriting cycle and policy implications (Aug2013).</u> 	 ☑ Not applicable monolines do not exist in Saudi insurance market ☐ Applicable but no action envisaged at the moment ☐ Implementation ongoing: Status of progress: ☐ Draft in preparation, expected publication by: ☐ Draft published as of: ☐ Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on: ☐ Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since : ☐ Implementation completed as of: Issue is being addressed through : ☐ Primary / Secondary legislation ☐ Regulation /Guidelines ☐ Other actions (such as supervisory actions), please specify: Short description of the content of the legislation/ regulation/guideline: Highlight main developments since last year's survey: 	Planned actions (if any) and expected commencement date: Web-links to relevant documents:



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No 5 (7)	Description Strengthening of supervisory requirements or best practices for investment in structured products	G20/FSB Recommendations Regulators of institutional investors should strengthen the requirements or best practices for firms' processes for investment in structured products. (Rec II.18, FSF 2008)	RemarksJurisdictions should indicate the due diligence policies, procedures and practices applicable for investment managers when investing in structured finance instruments and other policy measures taken for strengthening best practices for investment in structured finance product.Jurisdictions may reference IOSCO's report on <i>Good Practices in Relation to</i> <i>Investment Managers' Due Diligence</i> <i>When Investing in Structured Finance</i> <i>Instruments (Jul 2009).</i> Jurisdictions may also refer to the Joint Forum report on <i>Credit Risk Transfer- Developments from 2005-2007 (Jul 2008).</i>	 Not applicable Applicable but no action envisaged at the moment Implementation ongoing: Status of progress: Draft in preparation, expected publication by: Draft published as of: Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on: Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since : Implementation completed as of: Prudential Rules (2014). Securities Business Regulation (2005). Authorised Persons regulations (2005) Issue is being addressed through : Primary / Secondary legislation Regulation /Guidelines Other actions (such as supervisory 	Next steps If this recommendation has not yet been fully implemented, please provide reasons for delayed implementation: Planned actions (if any) and expected commencement date: Web-links to relevant documents:
			2008).	Regulation /Guidelines	



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				and/or behaviour noted at an AP,	
				communicated to the CMA via other	
				Departments, complaints, or other	
				method.	
				Short description of the content of the legislation/ regulation/guideline:	
				The PRs include the requirements to	
				apply the Standardised Approach in	
				treating their securitisation and re-	
				securitisation exposures. The PRs are	
				drafted based on the Basel framework	
				Highlight main developments since last year's survey:	
				Web-links to relevant documents:	
				http://cma.org.sa/En/Pages/Implementing _Regulations.aspx	



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6	Enhanced disclosure of	Securities market regulators should work	Jurisdictions should indicate the policy	□ Not applicable	If this recommendation has not yet
(8)	securitised products	with market participants to expand	measures taken for enhancing disclosure	□ Applicable but no action envisaged	been fully implemented, please provide reasons for delayed implementation:
		information on securitised products and	of securitised products.	at the moment	reasons for delayed implementation.
		their underlying assets. (Rec. III.10-	See, for reference, IOSCO's Report on	□ Implementation ongoing:	Planned actions (if any) and expected
		III.13, FSF 2008)	Principles for Ongoing Disclosure for	Status of progress:	commencement date:
			Asset-Backed Securities (Nov 2012) and	Draft in preparation, expected	
			IOSCO's <i>Disclosure Principles for</i>	publication by:	Web-links to relevant documents:
			Public Offerings and Listings of Asset-	☑ Draft published as of:	
			Backed Securities (Apr 2010).	☐ Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on:	
				□ Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since :	
				 ✓ Implementation completed as of: •Capital Market Law (2003). •Listing Rules (2004). •Announcements Instructions (2006). •Disclosure Forms 1.2.3.5.6.7 &8. •Instructions and Procedures Related to Listed Companies with Accumulated Losses reaching %50 or more of its capital (2013). 	
				Issue is being addressed through :	
				Primary / Secondary legislation	
				☑ Regulation /Guidelines	
				☑ Other actions (such as supervisory actions), please specify:	
				CMA conducts a number of supervisory	
				visits on listed companies. Also, the	
				CMA is continuously taking regulatory	
				and other steps to disseminate	
				information to investors to enhance their	



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				market knowledge and to apply full	
				transparency. Also, CMA has converted	
				all the paper forms submitted by listed	
				companies to electronic forms in order to	
				enhance disclosure and speed and ease	
				the process of submitting the forms.	
				Short description of the content of the legislation/ regulation/guideline:	
				• Capital Market Law • Listing Rules •	
				Announcements Instructions • Disclosure	
				Forms 1.2.3.5.6.7 &8 • Instructions and	
				Procedures Related to Listed Companies	
				with Accumulated Losses reaching %50	
				or more of its capital.	
				Highlight main developments since last year's survey:	
				Web-links to relevant documents:	
				http://cma.org.sa/ar/FormsSite/Pages/Dis closure.aspx http://cma.org.sa/en/Pages/Implementing _Regulations.aspx	



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III.	Enhancing supervision		•	•	
7 (9)	Consistent, consolidated supervision and regulation of SIFIs	All firms whose failure could pose a risk to financial stability must be subject to consistent, consolidated supervision and regulation with high standards. (Pittsburgh)	Jurisdictions should indicate: (1) whether they have identified domestic SIFIs and, if so, in which sectors; (2) whether the names of the identified SIFIs have been publicly disclosed; and (3) the types of policy measures taken for implementing consistent, consolidated supervision and regulation of the identified SIFIs.	 Not applicable Applicable but no action envisaged at the moment Implementation ongoing: Status of progress: Draft in preparation, expected publication by: Draft published as of: 	Planned actions (if any) and expected commencement date:Implementation of the Assessment Methodology and Higher Loss Absorbency Capital Requirements on identified D-SIBs
			See, for reference, the following documents: BCBS: • <u>Framework for G-SIBs (Jul 2013)</u> • <u>Framework for D-SIBs (Oct 2012)</u> • <u>BCP 12 (Sep 2012)</u> IAIS: • <u>Global Systemically Important Insurers: Policy Measures (Jul 2013)</u> • <u>ICP 23- Group wide supervision</u> FSB: • <u>Framework for addressing SIFIs (Nov 2011)</u>	 Draft published as of: Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on: Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since : Implementation completed as of: Issue is being addressed through : Primary / Secondary legislation Regulation /Guidelines Other actions (such as supervisory actions), please specify: A Framework for identification of Domestic Systemically Important Banks has been issued to Banks in August 2014 Short description of the content of the legislation/ regulation/guideline: In order to identify and designate Domestic Systimically Important Banks, an indicator based measurement methodology has been developed and 	Web-links to relevant documents:



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				rolled out to Banks in August 2014	
				Highlight main developments since last year's survey:	
				The Assessment Methodology is to be	
				implemented with effect from 1st January	
				2016. Banks identified and designated as	
				D-SIFIs will be required to meet HLA	
				requirements as per the methodology	
				issued vide SAMA circular dated August	
				2014	
				Web-links to relevant documents:	



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No 8 (10)	Description Establishing supervisory colleges and conducting risk assessments	G20/FSB Recommendations To establish the remaining supervisory colleges for significant cross-border firms by June 2009. (London) We agreed to conduct rigorous risk assessment on these firms [G-SIFIs] through international supervisory colleges. (Seoul)	Reporting in this area should be undertaken solely by home jurisdictions of G-SIBs and G-SIIs. Please indicate the progress made in establishing and strengthening the functioning of supervisory colleges for G- SIBs and G-SIIs using, as reference, the following documents: BCBS:	Progress to date ☑ Not applicable Saudi Arabia is not a home jurisdiction for any of the identified G-SIBs and or G- SIIs. However, we are host authority for a number of G-SIBs and accordingly participate in the non-core Supervisory Colleges for some of these G-SIBs. □ Applicable but no action envisaged at the moment □ Implementation ongoing:	Next stepsIf this recommendation has not yet been fully implemented, please provide reasons for delayed implementation:Planned actions (if any) and expected commencement date:Ongoing monitoring and implementation of the principles as and when they become applicable.
			 Principle 13 of the BCBS <u>Core</u> <u>Principles for Effective Banking</u> <u>Supervision (Sep 2012)</u> <u>Principles for effective supervisory</u> <u>colleges (Jun 2014)</u> IAIS : <u>ICP 25 and Guidance 25.1.1 – 25.1.6</u> <u>on establishment of supervisory</u> <u>colleges</u> <u>Guidance 25.6.20 and 25.8.16 on risk</u> <u>assessments by supervisory colleges</u> <u>Application paper on supervisory</u> <u>colleges (Oct 2014)</u> 	 Implementation ongoing: Status of progress : Draft in preparation, expected publication by: Draft published as of: Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on: Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since : Implementation completed as of: Issue is being addressed through : Primary / Secondary legislation Regulation /Guidelines Other actions (such as supervisory actions), please specify: Short description of the content of the legislation/ regulation/guideline: Highlight main developments since last year's survey: 	Web-links to relevant documents:



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				G-SIFIs in Saudi Arabia, however	
				branches of G-SIFIs are licensed and	
				operating with SAMA as the host	
				supervisory authority. SAMA is	
				participating in some existing and will	
				participate in any new supervisory	
				colleges established by the home	
				authorities of foreign banks (G-SIFIs)	
				operating in the Kingdom, where SAMA	
				is the host supervisory Authority. SAMA	
				carries out Risk Assessments on G-SIBs	
				branches in Saudi Arabia	
				Web-links to relevant documents:	
				Additional questions:	
				1. Please indicate whether supervisory colleges for all G-SIBs/G- SIIs headquartered in your jurisdiction have been established. If not, please explain.	
				Saudi Arabia is not a home jurisdiction	
				for any of the identified G-SIBs and or G-	
				SIIs	
				2. Please indicate the structure of the supervisory colleges for G-SIBs/G- SIIs in your jurisdiction (core, universal, other) and the reasons why it may differ across firms.	
				Pls see above	
				3. Please indicate the frequency of meetings over the past year of the supervisory colleges (core, universal,	



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				other) for G-SIBs/G-SIIs in your jurisdiction.	
				Not Applicable	
				4. Please describe the main objectives of supervisory colleges for G-SIBs/G-SIIs in your jurisdiction and the types of issues that have been discussed over the past year. (e.g. specific area(s) of risk, coordinated risk assessments, joint supervisory work, coordinated supervisory plans). In your response, please indicate briefly some of the main challenges in conducting joint risk assessments and steps taken to address them.	
				Not Applicable	
				5. Please describe the main challenges in the functioning of supervisory colleges for G-SIBs/G-SIIs in your jurisdiction and any plans to enhance the effectiveness of colleges.	
				Not Applicable	



9 Si	Supervisory exchange		Remarks	Progress to date	Next steps
	of information and coordination	To quicken supervisory responsiveness to developments that have a common effect across a number of institutions, supervisory exchange of information and coordination in the development of best practice benchmarks should be improved at both national and international levels. (Rec V.7, FSF 2008) Enhance the effectiveness of core supervisory colleges. (FSB 2012)	Jurisdictions should include any feedback received from recent FSAPs/ROSC assessments on the <u>September 2012</u> BCP 3 (Cooperation and collaboration) and BCP 14 (Home-host relationships). Jurisdictions should also indicate any steps taken since the last assessment in this area, particularly in response to relevant FSAP/ROSC recommendations. Jurisdictions should describe any recent or planned regulatory, supervisory or legislative changes that contribute to the sharing of supervisory information (e.g. within supervisory colleges or via bilateral or multilateral MoUs).	 Not applicable Applicable but no action envisaged at the moment ✓ Implementation ongoing: Status of progress: Draft in preparation, expected publication by: Draft published as of: Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on: Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since : Implementation completed as of: Issue is being addressed through : Primary / Secondary legislation Regulation /Guidelines ✓ Other actions (such as supervisory actions), please specify: Short description of the content of the legislation/regulation/guideline: Highlight main developments since last year's survey: SAMA has entered into a Memorandum of Cooperation with Capital Market Authority in February 2012 to achieve a high degree of coordination between the two and to strengthen oversight of entities subject to their control. Furthermore, 	Planned actions (if any) and expected commencement date: We are currently working on entering into bilateral MOUs with supervisory authorities in a number of jurisdictions. Web-links to relevant documents:



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				supervisory relationship with many	
				foreign central banks / supervisory	
				authorities. It has been impediments	
				extending supervisory cooperation and	
				exchanging supervisory information with	
				them as and when required. There are a	
				number of instances where SAMA has	
				shared supervisory information or	
				extended supervisory cooperation to other	
				supervisors. SAMA has also carried out	
				Supervisory Review Visits to many	
				countries and similarly many other	
				supervisors have visited Saudi Arabia for	
				supervisory purposes. Furthermore,	
				SAMA is also a member of relevant	
				supervisory colleges. As such, there are	
				no impediments that hinder the	
				appropriate exchange of supervisory	
				information under the relevant laws.	
				Web-links to relevant documents:	



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Strengthening resources	We agreed that supervisors should have	No information on this recommendation		
and effective	strong and unambiguous mandates,	will be collected in the current IMN		
supervision	sufficient independence to act,	survey due to the recent publication of the		
	appropriate resources, and a full suite of	FSB thematic peer review report on		
	tools and powers to proactively identify	supervisory frameworks and approaches		
	and address risks, including regular stress	to SIBs.		
	testing and early intervention. (Seoul)			
	Supervisors should see that they have the			
	requisite resources and expertise to			
	oversee the risks associated with financial			
	innovation and to ensure that firms they			
	supervise have the capacity to understand			
	and manage the risks. (FSF 2008)			
	Supervisory authorities should			
	Strengthening resources and effective	Strengthening resources and effective supervisionWe agreed that supervisors should have strong and unambiguous mandates, sufficient independence to act, appropriate resources, and a full suite of tools and powers to proactively identify and address risks, including regular stress testing and early intervention. (Seoul)Supervisors should see that they have the requisite resources and expertise to oversee the risks associated with financial innovation and to ensure that firms they supervise have the capacity to understand	Strengthening resources and effective supervisionWe agreed that supervisors should have strong and unambiguous mandates, sufficient independence to act, appropriate resources, and a full suite of tools and powers to proactively identify and address risks, including regular stress testing and early intervention. (Seoul)No information on this recommendation will be collected in the current IMN survey due to the recent publication of the FSB thematic peer review report on supervisory frameworks and approaches to SIBs.Supervisors should see that they have the requisite resources and expertise to oversee the risks associated with financial innovation and to ensure that firms they superviser should and manage the risks. (FSF 2008)Supervisory authorities should continually re-assess their resource needs; for example, interacting with and assessing Boards require particular skills, experience and adequate level ofNo information on this recommendation will be collected in the current IMN survey due to the recent publication of the FSB thematic peer review report on supervisory frameworks and approaches to SIBs.	Strengthening resources and effective We agreed that supervisors should have strong and unambiguous mandates, sufficient independence to act, appropriate resources, and a full suite of tools and powers to proactively identify and address risks, including regular stress testing and early intervention. (Secul) No information on this recommendation will be collected in the current IMN survey due to the recent publication of the FSB thematic peer review report on supervisory frameworks and approaches to SIBs. Supervisors should see that they have the requisite resources and expertise to oversee the risks associated with financial innovation and to ensure that firms they supervisory authorities should continually re-assess their resource needs; for example, interacting with and assessing Boards require particular skills, experience and adequate level of No information on this recommendation



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IV.	Building and implement	nting macroprudential frameworks and	d tools			
11	Establishing regulatory	Amend our regulatory systems to ensure	Please describe major changes in the	🗆 Not applicable	Planned actions (if any) and expected	
(13)	framework for macro- prudential oversight	authorities are able to identify and take account of macro-prudential risks across	institutional arrangements for macroprudential policy (structures,	□ Applicable but no action envisaged at the moment	commencement date: Improving our macroprudential policy	
		the financial system including in the case	mandates, powers, reporting etc.) that	□ Implementation ongoing:	framework based on new	
		of regulated banks, shadow banks ¹ and	have taken place since the financial crisis,	Status of progress :	recommendations from future assessment	
		private pools of capital to limit the build up of systemic risk. (London)	including over the past year.	Draft in preparation, expected publication by:	such as FSAP, FSB peer review.	
				□ Draft published as of:	Web-links to relevant documents:	
			Please indicate whether an assessment		☐ Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on:	
		information on all material financial institutions, markets and instruments in	adequacy of powers to collect and share relevant information among different	☐ Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since:		
		order to assess the potential for failure or severe stress to contribute to systemic	authorities on financial institutions, markets and instruments to assess the	☑ Implementation completed as of: September 2014		
		risk. This will be done in close	potential for systemic risk. If so, please	Issue is being addressed through :		
		coordination at international level in	describe identified gaps in the powers to	□ Primary / Secondary legislation		
		order to achieve as much consistency as	collect information, and whether any	□ Regulation /Guidelines		
		possible across jurisdictions. (London)	follow-up actions have been taken.	Other actions (such as supervisory actions), please specify:		
				Short description of the content of the legislation/ regulation/guideline:		
				Highlight main developments since last year's survey:		
				Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency		
				(SAMA) has made significant progress		

¹ The recommendation as applicable to shadow banks will be retained until the monitoring framework for shadow banking, which is one of the designated priority areas under the CFIM, is established.



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				toward developing a more formal and	
				transparent macroprudential policy	
				framework. Steps taken to date are: 1.	
				Establishment of Macroprudential	
				framework. 2. Establishment of a	
				Financial Stability Division (FSD). 3.	
				Establishment of a Financial Stability	
				Committee (FSC) with clear objectives	
				and responsibilities. 4. Adopting	
				SAMA's definition of financial stability	
				as: "Financial Stability is a state in which	
				there are no, and there is confidence that	
				there will be no, substantial	
				discontinuities or disruptions in the	
				functioning of the financial system. The	
				system must have the ability to withstand	
				shocks, process financial transactions and	
				carry out its role of financial	
				intermediation among all market	
				participants smoothly".	
				Web-links to relevant documents:	
				Additional questions:	
				1. Please describe the institutional arrangements for financial stability and macroprudential policy in your jurisdiction, including whether a macroprudential authority has been explicitly identified and the respective	



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				roles and responsibilities of the central bank and other authorities.	
				The Saudi financial sector is regulated by	
				three regulators. SAMA regulates and	
				supervises the majority of financial	
				sectors including the banking, insurance,	
				finance companies, and money exchanger	
				sectors. It is also the main authority in	
				charge of financial stability and	
				Macroprudential policy in Saudi Arabia.	
				The capital market is under the	
				regulations of the Capital Market	
				Authority (CMA) and the Ministry of	
				Finance (MoF) supervises the state	
				owned Specialized Credit Institutions	
				(SCIs).	
				2. If a macroprudential authority has been explicitly identified in your jurisdiction, please describe its legal basis, mandate, composition, powers (warnings, recommendations, prudential tools, powers of direction, other) and accountability arrangements. Who provides the resources and analytical support for the authority's activities?	
				Since its establishment, SAMA has	
				always recognized the importance of	
				having a stable financial system as it was	
				informally inferred to in its mandate in	
				1952. Now, however, the mandate has	
				been explicitly stated in SAMA's formal	



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				strategy and objectives. Its role stems	
				from the fact that SAMA regulates most	
				of the Saudi financial sector (banks,	
				insurance, and finance companies). Even	
				with the remaining sectors (the capital	
				market and specialized credit institutions	
				(SCIs)), SAMA plays an important role	
				through the initiatives it has taken so far	
				such as arranging periodic meetings with	
				the CMA and proposing a national FSB	
				that includes all of the financial system	
				regulators. We realize that, after all,	
				sectors have implications for each other	
				and achieving financial stability requires	
				such coordination.	
				3. Is there an inter-agency body on financial stability or macroprudential matters – distinct from the designated macroprudential authority – in your jurisdiction? If so, please describe its legal basis, mandate, composition, powers and accountability arrangements. Who provides the resources and analytical support for its activities?	
				Thus far there is no inter-agency body on financial stability or macroprudential matters. However, since the financial crisis, SAMA has been articulating a concept for a more formal institutional framework that involves close coordination/communication between the	



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				three authorities. Recently, SAMA has started the process of establishing a national Financial Stability Board (FSB) which consists of the MoF, SAMA and the CMA. Thus far, a governance framework has been proposed and is currently under review. The proposal has been sent out to these authorities for their feedback on the proposal of the establishment of the national FSB.	
				4. Please describe the extent to which the macroprudential authority (or other relevant body) is able to collect information on material financial institutions, markets and instruments in order to assess potential systemic risks. In your response, please indicate whether the authorities involved in systemic risk monitoring have specific legal powers to collect information from financial institutions (whether regulated or not) for financial stability purposes, and whether there exist dedicated information gateways (e.g. Memorandum of Understanding) to share such information among relevant authorities.	
				In SAMA, data are collected from	
				relevant departments. Collection of	
				Banking sector data is through the Electronic Return Management System	
				(ERMS) managed by the Banking	
				Supervision department. The system is	
				run by the IT department. The	



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				department gives banks access in order to	
				submit the data for the period from 15th	
				to 18th of each month. Once submitted,	
				the data is reviewed and validated. In	
				addition, the Insurance sector data is	
				collected through Insurance Supervision	
				Department, who validates it as well.	
				These data, along with other	
				macroeconomic and financial data, are	
				supplied to SAMA's data and statistics	
				centre and are provided to relevant	
				departments, including the Financial	
				Stability Division, through SAMA's	
				internal database. If any additional data	
				are needed, a request to financial	
				institutions is made through the relevant	
				supervision department to provide them.	
				In addition, as part of the 2012	
				memorandum of cooperation between	
				SAMA and the CMA, the two agencies	
				have agreed to share data and information	
				regarding all institutions under their	
				regulatory areas and are related to both	
				agencies. The memorandum states that	
				the data exchanged will be treated as	
				confidential and neither of each agencies	
				is allowed to share it with a third party.	
				For other agencies, beside formal	
				bilateral communications, data sharing is	
				arranged as part of the mandate of the	



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				Standing Committee for Financial,	
				Monetary, and Economic Statistics which	
				includes senior officials from the MoF,	
				Ministry of Petroleum, Central	
				Department of Statistics and Information	
				(CDSI), and SAMA.	



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12	Enhancing system-wide	Authorities should use quantitative	Please describe at a high level (including	□ Not applicable	Planned actions (if any) and expected
(14)	monitoring and the use	indicators and/or constraints on leverage	by making reference to financial stability	□ Applicable but no action envisaged	commencement date:
	of macro-prudential	and margins as macro-prudential tools for	or other reports, where available) the	at the moment	Further enhance our macroprudential
	instruments	supervisory purposes. Authorities should	types of methodologies, indicators and	□ Implementation ongoing:	dashboard, finalize the IBS data, and
		use quantitative indicators of leverage as	tools used to assess systemic risks.	Status of progress :	further enhance SAMA's stress testing
		guides for policy, both at the institution-	Please indicate the use of	□ Draft in preparation, expected	system.
		specific and at the macro-prudential		publication by:	
		(system-wide) level(Rec. 3.1, FSF 2009)	macroprudential tools in the past year, including the objective for their use and	□ Draft published as of:	Web-links to relevant documents:
			the process used to select, calibrate, and	☐ Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on:	
		We are developing macro-prudential policy frameworks and tools to limit the	apply them.	□ Final rule (for part of the reform) in	
		build-up of risks in the financial sector,	See, for reference, the following	force since:	
		building on the ongoing work of the FSB-	documents:	✓ Implementation completed as of: A comprehensive macroprudential	
		BIS-IMF on this subject. (Cannes)	CGFS report on <u>Operationalising the</u>	dashboard was established on October	
			selection and application of	2014	
			macroprudential instruments (Dec	Issue is being addressed through :	
			2012)	□ Primary / Secondary legislation	
		Authorities should monitor substantial	• FSB-IMF-BIS progress report to the	□ Regulation /Guidelines	
		changes in asset prices and their	G20 on <i>Macroprudential policy tools</i>	\square Other actions (such as supervisory	
		implications for the macro economy and	and frameworks (Oct 2011)	actions), please specify:	
		the financial system. (Washington)	• IMF staff papers on <u>Macroprudential</u> policy, an organizing framework	Short description of the content of the legislation/ regulation/guideline:	
			(Mar 2011), Key Aspects of	Highlight main developments since last year's survey:	
			Macroprudential policy (Jun 2013),		
			and <u>Staff Guidance on</u>	Establishment of a macroprudential	
			<u>Macroprudential Policy (Dec 2014)</u>	dashboard. SAMA has also started	
				collecting International Banking Statistics	
				(IBS) and currently the data is being	
				reviewed in coordination with Bank of	



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				International Settlement (BIS). SAMA	
				has also Enhanced its stress testing	
				system.	
				Web-links to relevant documents:	
				Additional questions:	
				1. Please describe, at a high level, the types of methodologies, indicators and reports used in your jurisdiction to identify, analyse, communicate and address systemic risks.	
				SAMA objective is to measure the	
				systemic risks that arise from either or	
				both time and transversal dimensions.	
				Tools used to accomplish this objective	
				are financial statements and other market	
				indicators, internal macroprudential	
				dashboard, early warning indicators, and	
				stress testing. The analysis does not only	
				cover risks in SAMA regulated sectors,	
				but also extends to other sectors such as	
				the capital market. The inputs used for	
				the analysis includes supervisory data	
				collected by SAMA's different	
				supervisory departments, data requested	
				from financial entities on ad-hoc basis to	
				address contemporaneous risk concerns,	
				and the outcomes from stress testing.	
				Other agencies contribute to the analysis	
				through the provisioning of data, and the	
				engagement of bilateral meetings to	



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				discuss financial stability issues and the	
				impact of recent financial sector	
				developments. There are several channels	
				through which SAMA communicates its	
				macroprudential decisions and market	
				assessment. These channels provide the	
				needed accountability and transparency.	
				One channel is through the publication of	
				the financial stability report. The report	
				conveys SAMA's views and risk	
				assessment of the whole financial sector.	
				It also provides an overview of its	
				macroprudential framework and tools.	
				Another channel to communicate actions	
				with the market is the issuance of	
				circulars encompassing regulations, rules,	
				guidance, and data sharing that are shared	
				with financial entities and followed up to	
				ensure proper, and common	
				understanding and implementations.	
				Additionally, to ensure a proper	
				understanding of macroprudential and	
				financial stability issues by market	
				participants, SAMA has initiated a	
				quarterly conducted series of seminars to	
				discuss the recent financial and	
				macroeconomic issues with invited	
				representatives from the banking sectors,	
				insurance, CMA, investment funds,	
				research centers, public entities,	



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				universities, and others. Several topics	
				have been discussed so far including	
				SAMA's macroprudential policy, capital	
				market valuations, the Bitcoin, and the	
				impact of ultra-loose monetary policy.	
				Finally, SAMA also uses the traditional	
				ways of communication with the public	
				through posting latest actions on its	
				website and also using the press.	
				2. Please describe the range of policy tools (prudential and other) currently available to the authorities for macroprudential purposes. ²	
				SAMA has a long history of using	
				macroprudential policy tools. In	
				particular, the following tools apply:	
				*Loan-to-value ratio caps *Regulatory	
				capital requirements *Counter-cyclical	
				provisions *Debt-to-service-income caps	
				*Profit distribution limits (profit	
				distribution require SAMA approval)	
				*Reserve requirements *Liquidity	
				coverage ratio requirements *Net stable	
				funding ratio requirements *Loan-to-	
				deposit ratio caps *Constraints on	
				foreign currency lending (requires SAMA	

² An indicative list of such tools can be found in "Macroprudential Policy Tools and Frameworks – Progress Report to the G20" by the FSB, IMF and BIS (October 2011, <u>http://www.financialstabilityboard.org/wp-content/uploads/r 111027b.pdf</u>); "Staff Guidance on Macroprudential Policy" (December 2014, <u>http://www.imf.org/external/np/pp/eng/2014/110614.pdf</u>) by IMF staff; and "Operationalising the selection and application of macroprudential instruments" (December 2012, <u>http://www.bis.org/publ/cgfs48.pdf</u>) by the CGFS.



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				approval) *Caps on name concentration	
				(single exposure) These tools have been	
				deployed to mitigate systemic financial	
				stability risks. These tools ensure that	
				credit institutions within the Kingdom	
				comply with internationally-established	
				standards, and control any potential	
				misbehaving practices by individual	
				institutions	
				3. Please indicate which tools have been deployed for macroprudential purposes over the past year, including the objective for their use and the process used to select, calibrate, and apply them.	
				Loan to value ratio (LTV) was implemented during Fall 2014 when	
				concerns on risks arose from the real	
				estate sector. However, other tools for	
				example been used during the financial	
				crisis. In addition to reducing the	
				statutory deposit ratio for demand	
				deposits to 7% from 13% and	
				maintaining the ratio for time and savings	
				deposits at 4%, other steps taken by	
				SAMA were: •Gradually reducing the	
				repo rate from its previous level of 5.50%	
				to 2% from October 2008 to January	
				2009, and the reverse repo rate from 2%	
				to 0.25% from October 2008 to June	
				2009. •Reducing the pricing of treasury	



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				bills by 50 bp lower than the Saudi	
				interbank deposit rate (SIBID) - the bills	
				remained priced at 80% of the interbank	
				rate in Q2 2009. •Creating cash deposits,	
				not only in domestic currency but also in	
				USD, in the domestic money market in	
				order to enhance liquidity through the	
				placement of time deposits with domestic	
				banks. •Placing time deposits with	
				domestic banks for a relatively long	
				period on behalf of government agencies	
				and institutions and in coordination with	
				them. Since such deposits are considered	
				to be customers' deposits included within	
				the ratio of loans to deposits, this measure	
				was designed to help banks expand credit.	
				•A major factor affecting the local	
				interbank market was the announcement	
				made by the Supreme Economic Council	
				that the Government was continuing to	
				guarantee the safety of local bank	
				deposits. This went a long way to	
				assuring all depositors and assuaging any	
				negative sentiment relating to Saudi	
				banks. Injecting dollar liquidity through	
				foreign exchange (FX) swaps and direct	
				deposits with local banks.	
				4. Please describe whether and, if	
				so, how the relevant authorities assess	
				the <i>ex ante</i> cost and benefits of macroprudential policies and their <i>ex</i>	



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				<i>post</i> effectiveness.	
				The assessment of the cost and benefits of	
				macroprudential policies in SAMA takes	
				two different approaches. First, is the	
				research-based approach that is	
				undertaken by SAMA's Research,	
				Financial Stability, and Financial Sector	
				Development departments. The second	
				approach is an operational approach	
				through meetings with SAMA, and non-	
				SAMA, departments to discuss the	
				implications of macroprudential policies.	
				As for SAMA's ex-post evaluation, all	
				macroprudential tools that SAMA has	
				used to date have served the country well	
				as they have facilitated the achievement	
				of intended consequences. For more	
				details please refer to the BIS paper	
				number 54 " The global financial crisis:	
				impact on Saudi Arabia"	



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V.	Improving oversight of	f credit rating agencies (CRAs)		·	
13 (16)	Enhancing regulation and supervision of CRAs	All CRAs whose ratings are used for regulatory purposes should be subject to a regulatory oversight regime that includes	Jurisdictions should indicate the policy measures undertaken for enhancing regulation and supervision of CRAs	 Not applicable Applicable but no action envisaged at the moment 	If this recommendation has not yet been fully implemented, please provide reasons for delayed implementation:
		registration. The regulatory oversight regime should be established by end 2009 and should be consistent with the IOSCO Code of Conduct Fundamentals. (London)	including registration, oversight and sharing of information between national authorities. They should also indicate their consistency with the following IOSCO document:	 Implementation ongoing: Status of progress: Draft in preparation, expected publication by: Draft published as of: 	Planned actions (if any) and expected commencement date: Web-links to relevant documents:
		National authorities will enforce compliance and require changes to a rating agency's practices and procedures for managing conflicts of interest and assuring the transparency and quality of the rating process. CRAs should differentiate ratings for	 <u>Code of Conduct Fundamentals for</u> <u>Credit Rating Agencies (Mar 2015)</u> Jurisdictions may also refer to the following IOSCO documents: Principle 22 of <u>Principles and</u> <u>Objectives of Securities Regulation</u> (Jun 2010) which calls for registration 	 Drait published as of: Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on: September 01, 2015 Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since : Implementation completed as of: 2014 Issue is being addressed through : 	
		structured products and provide full disclosure of their ratings track record and the information and assumptions that underpin the ratings process. The oversight framework should be	 and oversight programs for CRAs <u>Statement of Principles Regarding the</u> <u>Activities of Credit Rating Agencies</u> (Sep 2003) <u>Final Report on Supervisory Colleges</u> 	 □ Primary / Secondary legislation ☑ Regulation /Guidelines ☑ Other actions (such as supervisory actions), please specify: Short description of the content of the 	
		consistent across jurisdictions with appropriate sharing of information between national authorities, including through IOSCO. (London) Regulators should work together towards appropriate, globally compatible solutions (to conflicting compliance obligations for CRAs) as early as possible	for Credit Rating Agencies (Jul 2013)	legislation/ regulation/guideline: CRAs Regulations regulate the conduct of rating activities in the Kingdom, and the monitoring thereof, and specifies the procedures and conditions for obtaining an authorisation, which reflect the international best practice and standards aiming at achieving the desired	



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		in 2010. (FSB 2009)		objectives. The CRAs Regulations are	
		We encourage further steps to enhance		drafted in accordance with international	
		transparency and competition among		best practices and comply with IOSCO	
		credit rating agencies. (St Petersburg)		Principles including the IOSCO Code of	
				Conduct Fundamentals for Credit Rating	
				Agencies, and have adequate regulatory	
				provisions for supervision of the	
				prospective CRAs. The CRAs have been	
				effective and in full force since	
				September 1, 2015.	
				Highlight main developments since last year's survey:	
				The CRAs have been effective and in full	
				force since September 1, 2015.	
				Web-links to relevant documents:	
				http://cma.org.sa/En/Pages/Implementing Regulations.aspx http://cma.org.sa/En/News/Pages/CMA_ N_1559.aspx http://www.cma.org.sa/cma/RegulationsF B/En-15	



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No 14 (17)	Description Reducing the reliance on ratings	G20/FSB RecommendationsWe also endorsed the FSB's principles on reducing reliance on external credit ratings. Standard setters, market participants, supervisors and central banks should not rely mechanistically on external credit ratings. (Seoul)Authorities should check that the roles that they have assigned to ratings in regulations and supervisory rules are consistent with the objectives of having investors make independent judgment of risks and perform their own due diligence, and that they do not induce uncritical reliance on credit ratings as a 	RemarksJurisdictions should indicate the stepsthey are taking to address therecommendations of the May 2014 FSBthematic peer review report on theimplementation of the FSB Principles forReducing Reliance on Credit Ratings,including by implementing their agreedaction plans.Jurisdictions may refer to the followingdocuments:• FSB Principles for Reducing Relianceon CRA Ratings (Oct 2010)• FSB Roadmap for Reducing Relianceon CRA Ratings (Nov 2012)• BCBS Consultative DocumentRevisions to the Standardised Approachfor credit risk (Dec 2014)	 □ Not applicable □ Applicable but no action envisaged at the moment □ Implementation ongoing: Status of progress: □ Draft in preparation, expected publication by: □ Draft published as of: □ Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on: □ Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since : ☑ Implementation completed as of: November 10, 2014 Issue is being addressed through : □ Primary / Secondary legislation ☑ Regulation /Guidelines □ Other actions (such as supervisory actions), please specify: 	Next steps Planned actions (if any) and expected commencement date: Web-links to relevant documents:
		reliance on external credit ratings, and	<u>Jor creati risk (Dec 2014)</u>	actions), please specify:	



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		would enhance transparency of and		rating activities as prescribed in the	
		competition among credit rating agencies.		regulations, and it also provisions for	
		(Los Cabos)		regulating the maintenance of	
				authorisation requirements, the conduct	
		We call on national authorities and		of business, the systems and controls and	
		standard setting bodies to accelerate		the registered persons requirement for	
		progress in reducing reliance on credit		functioning as a credit rating agency in	
		rating agencies, in accordance with the		KSA.	
		FSB roadmap. (St Petersburg)		Highlight main developments since last year's survey:	
				The CRAs have been effective and in full	
				force since September 1, 2015.	
				Web-links to relevant documents:	
				http://cma.org.sa/En/Pages/Implementing _Regulations.aspx	



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VI.	Enhancing and alignin	ng accounting standards			
15 (18)	Consistent application of high-quality accounting standards	Regulators, supervisors, and accounting standard setters, as appropriate, should work with each other and the private sector on an ongoing basis to ensure consistent application and enforcement of high-quality accounting standards. (Washington)	Jurisdictions should indicate the accounting standards that they follow and whether (and on what basis) they are deemed to be equivalent to IFRSs as published by the IASB or are otherwise of a high and internationally acceptable quality, and provide accurate and relevant information on financial performance. They should also explain the system they have for enforcement of consistent application of those standards. Jurisdictions may want to refer to their jurisdictional profile prepared by the IFRS Foundation, which can be accessed at: http://www.ifrs.org/Use-around-the- world/Pages/Analysis-of-the-G20-IFRS- profiles.aspx.	 □ Not applicable ☑ Applicable but no action envisaged at the moment Since 1992 IAS (International Accounting Standards) and IFRS (International Financial Reporting Standards) have been implemented in Saudi Arabia. SAMA is responsible for oversight of Banks, CMA for listed Companies and Saudi Organization of Certified Public Accountants (SOCPA) for other companies. SAMA, CMA and SOCPA cooperate and coordinate initiatives in close collaboration with the industry. Saudi Arabia relies on the developments of the Accounting Standards by the IASC and has adopted IFRS as and when issued. □ Implementation ongoing: <i>Status of progress:</i> □ Draft in preparation, expected publication by: □ Draft published as of: □ Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on: □ Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since : 	Planned actions (if any) and expected commencement date: Web-links to relevant documents:



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				Issue is being addressed through :	
				□ Primary / Secondary legislation	
				□ Regulation /Guidelines	
				☑ Other actions (such as supervisory actions), please specify:	
				Short description of the content of the legislation/ regulation/guideline:	
				The recommendation # 15 is regarding	
				implementation of accounting standards.	
				Saudi Arabia has implemented applicable	
				IFRS as explained in our earlier response.	
				The status of implementation was	
				reported "Ongoing" due to the fact that	
				IASB issues accounting standards on	
				regular basis. Example, IFRS 9, issued in	
				2014 which will be applicable from 2018	
				onward etc. The reference from Saudi	
				Arabia's profile prepared by IASB is not	
				in contradiction with our response as it is	
				not applicable to Banks and insurance	
				companies. Further, it is a review of	
				applicable IFRS with Sharia Principles.	
				Once the review will be completed and it	
				will require some changes that will be	
				reported accordingly. As explained	
				above, there is no change in our position	
				for 2015 IMN survey since last year.	
				Regarding selection of ABN and REF,	
				ABN reflects the position more	
				appropriately. The description is being	



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				shifted to "Short Description".	
				Highlight main developments since last year's survey:	
				No	
				Web-links to relevant documents:	



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No 16 (19)	Description Appropriate application of Fair Value Accounting	G20/FSB Recommendations Accounting standard setters and prudential supervisors should examine the use of valuation reserves or adjustments for fair valued financial instruments when data or modelling needed to support their valuation is weak. (Rec. 3.4, FSF 2009) Accounting standard setters and prudential supervisors should examine possible changes to relevant standards to dampen adverse dynamics potentially associated with fair value accounting. Possible ways to reduce this potential impact include the following: (1) Enhancing the accounting model so that the use of fair value accounting is carefully examined for financial instruments of credit intermediaries; (ii) Transfers between financial asset categories; (iii) Simplifying hedge accounting requirements. (Rec 3.5, FSF 2009)	RemarksJurisdictions should indicate the policy measures taken for appropriate application of fair value accounting.Although not an application of fair value accounting, jurisdictions should additionally be mindful of implementation issues arising from the new accounting requirements for expected loan loss provisioning for impaired loans that are being introduced by the IASB and the FASB, and, for those jurisdictions where specific action is needed to foster transparent and consistent implementation, set out any steps they intend to take.See, for reference, the following BCBS documents:•Basel 2.5 standards on prudent valuation (Jul 2009)•Supervisory guidance for assessing banks' financial instrument fair value practices (Apr 2009)	 □ Not applicable ☑ Applicable but no action envisaged at the moment Use of valuation reserves or adjustment of fair value has been dealt in accordance with requirements of IAS and IFRS. Saudi Arabia is committed to follow the international standards where applicable. There is cooperation between supervisors and standard setters to ensure prudent monitoring of all the activities carried out by the entities which are subject to supervision of respective authorities. □ Implementation ongoing: <i>Status of progress:</i> □ Draft in preparation, expected publication by: □ Draft published as of: □ Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on: □ Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since : □ Implementation completed as of: □ Status is being addressed through : 	Next steps If this recommendation has not yet been fully implemented, please provide reasons for delayed implementation: Planned actions (if any) and expected commencement date: Web-links to relevant documents:
				 Primary / Secondary registration Regulation /Guidelines Other actions (such as supervisory actions), please specify: Short description of the content of the 	



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				legislation/ regulation/guideline:	
				SAMA Response In addition to our	
				position reported earlier, there is no	
				reforms, or part thereof, which is	
				applicable but has not been implemented.	
				With regard to status of implementation	
				"Ongoing", please refer the response to	
				recommendation # 16. As explained	
				above, there is no change in our position	
				for 2015 IMN survey since last year.	
				Regarding selection of ABN and REF,	
				ABN reflects the position more	
				appropriately. Description is being shifted	
				to "Short Description".	
				Highlight main developments since last year's survey:	
				No	
				Web-links to relevant documents:	



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VII.	Enhancing risk manag	gement			-
17 (20)	Enhancing guidance to strengthen banks' risk management practices,	Regulators should develop enhanced guidance to strengthen banks' risk management practices, in line with	Jurisdictions should indicate the policy measures taken to enhance guidance to strengthen banks' risk management	 Not applicable Applicable but no action envisaged at the moment 	Planned actions (if any) and expected commencement date:
	including on liquidity and foreign currency funding risks	 international best practices, and should encourage financial firms to re-examine their internal controls and implement strengthened policies for sound risk management. (Washington) National supervisors should closely check banks' implementation of the updated guidance on the management and supervision of liquidity as part of their regular supervision. If banks' implementation of the guidance is inadequate, supervisors will take more prescriptive action to improve practices. (Rec. II.10, FSF 2008) Regulators and supervisors in emerging markets³ will enhance their supervision of banks' operation in foreign currency funding markets. (FSB 2009) We commit to conduct robust, transparent stress tests as needed. (Pittsburgh) 	practices. Jurisdictions may also refer to FSB's <u>thematic peer review report on risk</u> <u>governance (Feb 2013)</u> and the BCBS <u>Peer review of supervisory authorities'</u> <u>implementation of stress testing</u> <u>principles (Apr 2012) and Principles for</u> <u>sound stress testing practices and</u> <u>supervision (May 2009).</u>	 □ Implementation ongoing: Status of progress: □ Draft in preparation, expected publication by: □ Draft published as of: ☑ Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on: ☑ Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since : as indicated ☑ Implementation completed as of: February 2015 Issue is being addressed through : □ Primary / Secondary legislation ☑ Regulation /Guidelines □ Other actions (such as supervisory actions), please specify: Short description of the content of the legislation/ regulation/guideline: Saudi Arabia has taken several measures to strengthen banks' risk management practises. These for Credit Risk include in February 2013 Rules on Credit Risk 	Web-links to relevant documents: www.sama.gov.sa

³ Only the emerging market jurisdictions that are members of the FSB may respond to this recommendation.



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				Management covering Board of Directors	
				oversight, credit risk policy, risk	
				management framework, etc. This was	
				followed by Rules on Large Exposures in	
				February 2015. Stress Testing In the area	
				of Stress Testing, SAMA issued Basel	
				Committee Guidance: Principles for	
				Sound Stress Testing Practices and	
				Supervision in May 2009. This was	
				followed in November 2011 by Rules on	
				stress testing to further strengthen stress	
				testing framework Liquidity With	
				reference to Liquidity, SAMA issued	
				BCBS's Principle of Sound Liquidity	
				Risk Management in December 2008 to	
				institute a Sound Liquidity Risk	
				Management Framework. Additionally in	
				May 2013, SAMA issued Monitoring	
				Tools for Intraday Liquidity Management	
				based on BCBS document of April 2013,	
				and in November 2014 SAMA issued	
				Revised Amended Liquidity Coverage	
				Ratio regulation and guidance document.	
				Highlight main developments since last year's survey:	
				In 2014, Rules on Amended LCR were	
				issue. In 2015, Large Exposure Rules	
				were issued.	
				Web-links to relevant documents:	
				web-miks to relevant documents:	



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18 (22)	Enhanced risk disclosures by financial institutions	Financial institutions should provide enhanced risk disclosures in their reporting and disclose all losses on an ongoing basis consistent with	Jurisdictions should indicate the status of implementation of the disclosures requirements of IFRSs (in particular IFRS7 and 13) or equivalent	 Not applicable Applicable but no action envisaged at the moment 	Planned actions (if any) and expected commencement date:
		ongoing basis, consistent with international best practice, as appropriate. (Washington) We encourage further efforts by the public and private sector to enhance financial institutions' disclosures of the risks they face, including the ongoing work of the Enhanced Disclosure Task Force. (St. Petersburg)	IFRS7 and 13) or equivalent. Jurisdictions may also use as reference the recommendations of the October 2012 report by the Enhanced Disclosure Task Force on <u>Enhancing the Risk Disclosures</u> of <u>Banks</u> and <u>Implementation Progress</u> <u>Report by the EDTF (Aug 2013)</u> , and set out any steps they have taken to foster adoption of the EDTF Principles and Recommendations.	 □ Implementation ongoing: Status of progress: □ Draft in preparation, expected publication by: □ Draft published as of: □ Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on: ☑ Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since : as indicated ☑ Implementation completed as of: January 2013 [For IFRS 7 and 13] Issue is being addressed through : □ Primary / Secondary legislation ☑ Regulation /Guidelines □ Other actions (such as supervisory actions), please specify: Short description of the content of the legislation/ regulation/guideline: The status of implementation of IFRS # 7 and # 13 are as follows: • IFRS # 7 in accordance with prescribed implementation timing ranging from January 2008 to January 2013. • IFRS # 13 in accordance with the prescribed timing of January 2013. • Work related to EDTF is currently on-going in July 2015. 	Web-links to relevant documents:



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				The work on EDTF may lead to a circular	
				to the Banks on enhancing financial	
				disclosures.	
				Highlight main developments since last year's survey:	
				No new developments since 2014 survey.	
				Work on EDTF is at a preliminary stage.	
				Web-links to relevant documents:	



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VIII.	Strengthening deposit	insurance			
	•		 Jurisdictions should describe any revisions made to national deposit insurance system, including steps taken to address the following recommendations of the FSB's February 2012 <u>thematic</u> <u>peer review report on deposit insurance</u> <u>systems:</u> Adoption of an explicit deposit insurance system (for those jurisdictions that do not have one) Addressing the weaknesses and gaps to full implementation of the <u>Core</u> <u>Principles for Effective Deposit</u> 	Progress to date □ Not applicable □ Applicable but no action envisaged at the moment ☑ Implementation ongoing: Status of progress: □ Draft in preparation, expected publication by: □ Draft published as of: ☑ Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on: January 01, 2016 □ Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since : □ Implementation completed as of:	Next steps Planned actions (if any) and expected commencement date: - Establish Governance Framework for Deposit Protection Fund Establish Unit within SAMA to oversee the Deposit Protection Fund. Web-links to relevant documents:
			Insurance Systems issued by IADI in November 2014	 Issue is being addressed through : □ Primary / Secondary legislation ☑ Regulation /Guidelines □ Other actions (such as supervisory actions), please specify: Short description of the content of the legislation/ regulation/guideline: Banks will start paying premiums to the Deposit Protection Fund established by SAMA as of Q1 2016 Premiums:0.05% of average eligible deposit balance Coverage: 200,000 SR per depositor per bank. Highlight main developments since last 	



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				year's survey:	
				- Deposit Protection Rules issued in April	
				2015.	
				Web-links to relevant documents:	



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IX.	IX. Safeguarding the integrity and efficiency of financial markets						
	-			 □ Not applicable □ Applicable but no action envisaged at the moment □ Implementation ongoing: Status of progress: □ Draft in preparation, expected publication by: □ Draft published as of: □ Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on: □ Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since : ☑ Implementation completed as of: Capital Market Law (2003), Market Conduct Regulations (2004) Issue is being addressed through : ☑ Primary / Secondary legislation ☑ Regulation /Guidelines ☑ Other actions (such as supervisory actions), please specify: Articles Five and Six of the Capital Market Law (CML) stipulate that the CMA seeks to develop the procedures that would reduce the risks related to securities transactions and to monitor 	Planned actions (if any) and expected commencement date: Web-links to relevant documents:		
				securities trading to protect investors from unfair or unsound practices, involving fraud, deceit or manipulation.			



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				Moreover, Articles Forty Nine, Fifty,	
				Fifty Five, Fifty Six, Fifty Seven, Sixty	
				and Sixty One of the CML further set out	
				the practices and actions that constitute a	
				violation of the provisions of the CML.	
				As such, the CMA monitors the trading	
				of securities. The CMA continues to	
				strengthen its supervisory and	
				surveillance performance by intensifying	
				close monitoring of all trading	
				transactions to ensure compliance of	
				market participants with the CML and its	
				Implementing Regulations. The process	
				of trading surveillance is carried out as	
				follows: 1. The electronic surveillance	
				system (SMARTS) generates alerts on	
				any practices or trades that are suspected	
				of violating the CML and its	
				Implementing Regulations. 2. Intensive	
				scanning is conducted on all daily trades	
				and deals by analysing market data and	
				reviewing executed orders and	
				transactions. 3. Reports are then produced	
				on any suspected violation of the CML	
				and its Implementing Regulations and	
				forwarded to the concerned	
				division/department for further	
				investigation and necessary action	
				Short description of the content of the legislation/ regulation/guideline:	



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				Capital Market Law (CML) Market	
				Conduct Regulations (2004)	
				Highlight main developments since last year's survey:	
				Web-links to relevant documents:	
				http://cma.org.sa/en/AboutCMA/CMALa w/Pages/default.aspx http://cma.org.sa/En/Pages/Implementing Regulations.aspx http://cma.org.sa/En/IA/Documents/16_E xamples_of_some_violations.pdf	



No	Description	G20/FSB Recommendations	Remarks	Progress to date	Next steps
No 21 (25)	Description Regulation and supervision of commodity markets	G20/FSB RecommendationsWe need to ensure enhanced markettransparency, both on cash and financialcommodity markets, including OTC, andachieve appropriate regulation andsupervision of participants in thesemarkets. Market regulators andauthorities should be granted effectiveintervention powers to address disorderlymarkets and prevent market abuses. Inparticular, market regulators should have,and use formal position managementpowers, including the power to set ex-ante position limits, particularly in thedelivery month where appropriate, amongother powers of intervention. We call onIOSCO to report on the implementationof its recommendations by the end of2012. (Cannes)We also call on Finance ministers tomonitor on a regular basis the properimplementation of IOSCO's principlesfor the regulation and supervision oncommodity derivatives markets andencourage broader publishing andunrestricted access to aggregated open	RemarksJurisdictions should indicate whether commodity markets of any type exist in their national markets.Jurisdictions should indicate the policy measures taken to implement the principles found in IOSCO's report on <i>Principles for the Regulation and</i> <i>Supervision of Commodity Derivatives</i> <i>Markets (Sep 2011).</i> Jurisdictions, in responding to this recommendation, may also make use of the responses contained in the update to the survey published by IOSCO in September 2014 on the principles for the regulation and supervision of commodity derivatives markets.	Progress to date ☑ Not applicable There is no commodity market established currently in the Kingdom. □ Applicable but no action envisaged at the moment □ Implementation ongoing: Status of progress: □ Draft in preparation, expected publication by: □ Draft published as of: □ Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on: □ Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since : □ Implementation completed as of: Issue is being addressed through : □ Primary / Secondary legislation □ Regulation /Guidelines □ Other actions (such as supervisory actions), please specify: Short description of the content of the legislation/ regulation/guideline: Highlight main developments since last year's survey: Web-links to relevant documents:	Next steps Planned actions (if any) and expected commencement date: Web-links to relevant documents:



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22	Reform of financial	We support the establishment of the	Collection of information on this		
(26)	benchmarks	FSB's Official Sector Steering Group to	recommendation will continue to be		
(20)		coordinate work on the necessary reforms	deferred given the forthcoming FSB		
		of financial benchmarks. We endorse	progress report on implementation of the		
		IOSCO's Principles for Financial	FSB recommendations in this area, and		
		Benchmarks and look forward to reform	ongoing IOSCO work to review the		
		as necessary of the benchmarks used	implementation of the IOSCO Principles		
		internationally in the banking industry	for Financial Benchmarks.		
		and financial markets, consistent with the			
		IOSCO Principles. (St. Petersburg)			



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Х.	Enhancing financial c	onsumer protection			
23 (27)	Enhancing financial consumer protection	We agree that integration of financial consumer protection policies into regulatory and supervisory frameworks contributes to strengthening financial stability, endorse the FSB report on consumer finance protection and the high level principles on financial consumer protection prepared by the OECD together with the FSB. We will pursue the full application of these principles in our jurisdictions. (Cannes)	Jurisdictions should describe progress toward implementation of the OECD's <u>G-20 high-level principles on financial</u> <u>consumer protection (Oct 2011)</u> . Jurisdictions may also refer to OECD's <u>September 2013 and September 2014</u> <u>reports</u> on effective approaches to support the implementation of the High-level Principles.	 □ Not applicable □ Applicable but no action envisaged at the moment □ Implementation ongoing: Status of progress: □ Draft in preparation, expected publication by: □ Draft published as of: □ Final rule or legislation approved and will come into force on: □ Final rule (for part of the reform) in force since : ☑ Implementation completed as of: May 1, 2015 Issue is being addressed through : □ Primary / Secondary legislation ☑ Regulation /Guidelines □ Other actions (such as supervisory actions), please specify: Short description of the content of the legislation/ regulation/guideline: Highlight main developments since last year's survey: Insurance & Finance Consumer Proetction Principles published Web-links to relevant documents: 	Planned actions (if any) and expected commencement date: Web-links to relevant documents: http://www.sama.gov.sa/en-US/Laws/Pages/ConsumerRulesAndRegu lations.aspx http://www.sama.gov.sa/ar-sa/Laws/ConsumerProtectionRules/قيام200%قيام200%قيام200%قيام200%قيام200%قيام200%قيام300% J.pdf http://www.sama.gov.sa/ar-sa/Laws/ConsumerProtectionRules/قيام300% پارلېم/2016/شيار شوي د د د د د د د د د د د د د د د د د د د



XI. Source of recommendations:

Brisbane: G20 Leaders' Communique (15-16 November 2014)St Petersburg: The G20 Leaders' Declaration (5-6 September 2013)Los Cabos: The G20 Leaders' Declaration (18-19 June 2012)Cannes: The Cannes Summit Final Declaration (3-4 November 2011)Seoul: The Seoul Summit Document (11-12 November 2010)Toronto: The G-20 Toronto Summit Declaration (26-27 June 2010)Pittsburgh: Leaders' Statement at the Pittsburgh Summit (25 September 2009)London: The London Summit Declaration on Strengthening the Financial System (2 April 2009)Washington: The Washington Summit Action Plan to Implement Principles for Reform (15 November 2008)FSF 2009: The FSF Report on Enhancing Market and Institutional Resilience (7 April 2009)FSB 2009: The FSF Report on Improving Financial Regulation (25 September 2009)FSB 2009: The FSB Report on Improving Financial Regulation (25 September 2009)FSB 2012: The FSB Report on Increasing the Intensity and Effectiveness of SIFI Supervision (1 November 2012)

XII. List of Abbreviations used: