FSB publishes 2016 G-SII list

The Financial Stability Board (FSB) today published the 2016 list of global systemically important insurers (G-SIIs).

The FSB, in consultation with the International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS) and national authorities, has identified in 2016 nine insurers as G-SIIs as part of its annual identification process of global systemically important financial institutions (G-SIFIs). The 2016 G-SII list is based on a recommendation made by the IAIS using end-2015 data. The insurers on the 2016 G-SII list remain the same as those on the 2015 list.1

G-SIIs will be subject to the following internationally agreed standards:

- **Higher loss absorbency (HLA)**, the initial development of which was published by the IAIS in October 2015.2 The HLA requirements, which will be revised to reflect further work by the IAIS on the G-SII assessment methodology, are scheduled to be applied starting from January 2019 to those G-SIIs identified in November 2017.

- **Enhanced group-wide supervision**, including for the group-wide supervisor to have direct powers over holding companies and to oversee the development and implementation of a Systemic Risk Management Plan and a Liquidity Management Plan.

- **Group-wide recovery and resolution planning and regular resolvability assessments**. The resolvability of each G-SII is also reviewed in a high-level FSB Resolvability Assessment Process (RAP) by senior regulators within the institution’s Crisis Management Group.3

The IAIS is continuing work on its methodology and published *Global Systemically Important Insurers: Updated Assessment Methodology* in June 2016 following a consultation process launched in November 2015. The FSB looks forward to receiving in the first quarter of 2017 a workplan and timelines for the further work on the assessment methodology.

The IAIS is also exploring an activities-based approach to addressing systemic risk as a possible complement to the G-SII entity-based assessment approach. The FSB looks forward to receiving further updates on this work.

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1 See FSB, 2015 update of list of global systemically important insurers (G-SIIs), 3 November 2015 (http://www.fsb.org/2015/11/2015-update-of-list-of-global-systemically-important-insurers-g-siis/).


3 For the nine G-SIIs identified this year, the Resolvability Assessment Process will be conducted starting in 2017.
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