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## Resolution Industry Briefing

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# 1. Strengthening Resilience: The Role of Financial Stability

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# The Central Bank's strategic plan: 2019-2021

Our mission: To serve the public interest by safeguarding monetary and financial stability and by working to ensure that the financial system operates in the best interests of consumers and the wider economy



# Strengthening resilience: the role of financial stability

## Build financial system resilience *ex ante*

Monitoring closely **potential risks to financial stability** and evaluating the **resilience of the system** to those risks

Evidence-based **macroprudential policy strategy, design and implementation**, including through the countercyclical capital buffer and mortgage measures

Continuing to **address vulnerabilities remaining from the financial crisis**, particularly relating to mortgage arrears and non-performing loans

## Deal with financial system stress *ex post*

**Managing the failure of failing financial institutions** in an orderly fashion, to ensure minimum disruption to financial stability, the economy and consumers

Enhancing **crisis management arrangements** to ensure we are ready to respond to potential financial crises

All underpinned by **extensive preparation** to put us in a better position if stresses arise



## Resolution: key areas of focus over the next few years

- **Strengthen resolvability of institutions**, by developing resolution plans, (where relevant) setting MREL requirements and removing identified barriers to resolution
- Develop the **resolution policy framework**, making the approach to resolution more effective, more transparent and better understood
- **Improve operational preparedness**, including by designing and conducting simulation exercises under different scenarios
- Be an **effective and trusted member of the Single Resolution Mechanism** and work closely with the Single Resolution Board for firms within their remit



## 2. The Central Bank's Approach to Resolution

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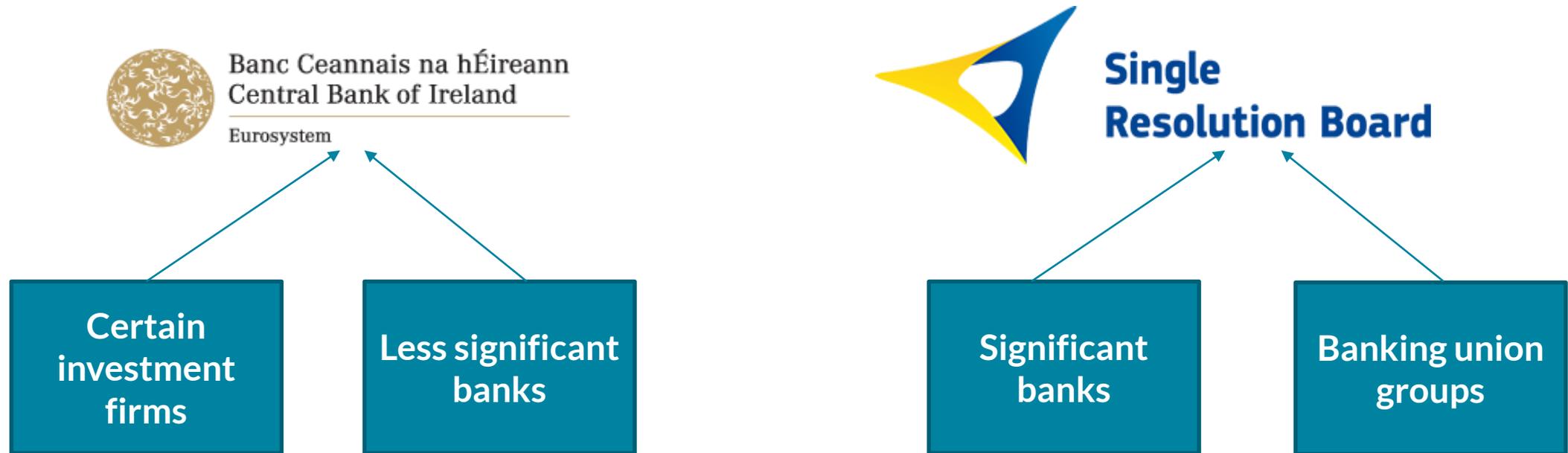
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# Overview of developments

- In December 2018 the Central Bank launched a public consultation on 'The Central Bank's Approach to Resolution for Banks and Investment Firms' (CP126)
- Following the consultation period, the Central Bank issued a feedback statement to the sole response received
- In April 2019 'The Central Bank's Approach to Resolution for Banks and Investment Firms (First Edition)' was published. The Central Bank also included a 'resolution explainer' on the Central Bank website
- Today we will focus on why the Central Bank published this document, as well as highlighting some of the Central Bank's key expectations



# Division of responsibilities within the SRM



# Why did the Central Bank issue a public policy on resolution?

Digestible overview of the resolution framework

Provides transparency on the Central Bank's general expectations on resolution planning

Confirms the Central Bank's approach to setting MREL for institutions within its remit

Illustrates how a resolution event may be executed by the Central Bank



# BU and non-BU NRAs have already published national policies



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# Public interest assessment

- A public interest assessment is completed in order to determine 1) if resolution is required; and 2) the preferred resolution strategy
- **Accurate data submissions** is key to this determination
- **Engagement with firms** form part of this process
- The public interest is completed as part of resolution planning, however, it should be noted that this is completed again at the time of a failing or likely to fail determination



# Operational and financial continuity

## Provide an operational continuity plan

- Service level agreements
- Mapping exercise
- Continuity of necessary licenses
- Detailed records of financial contracts

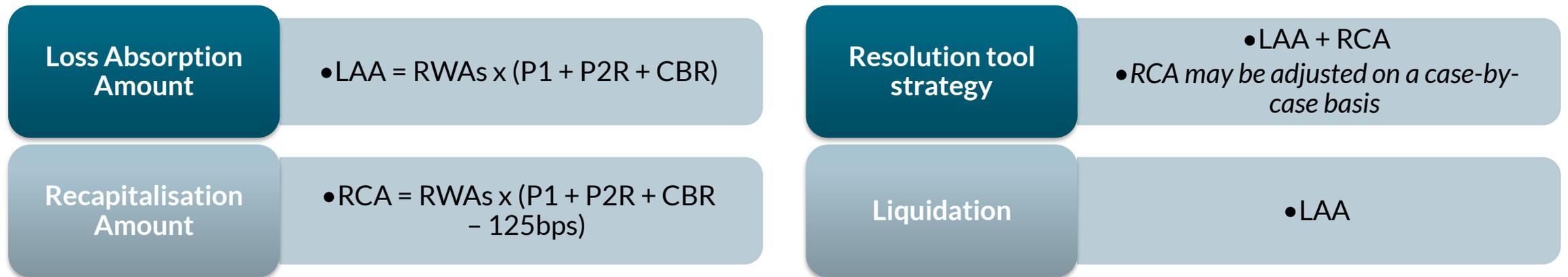
Analyse the necessary level of liquidity and funding and outline the sources of liquidity and funding in resolution

Adequacy and capacity of institutions' management information systems



# MREL

- MREL is linked to the institution-specific preferred resolution strategy i.e. either liquidation or resolution



## Conducting resolution – key expectations

Ensuring  
adequate  
management  
information  
systems are in  
place

Ensuring  
adequate and  
suitable bail-  
inable  
instruments are  
present

Having a  
comprehensive  
'playbook' which  
outlines how the  
institution would  
operationalise  
resolution tools  
internally

Ensuring  
appropriate  
communication  
with  
stakeholders is  
maintained



# Conducting resolution – summary of the Central Bank’s role



### 3. Valuation in Resolution – An Update

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# Importance of valuation in resolution

- Valuation is key to the resolution process as it informs:
  - Existence of conditions for resolution and FOLTF determination;
  - Choice of resolution tools; and
  - NCWO determination
- Introduction of the SRM with the bail-in of creditors has increased the importance of valuations – NCWO principle in particular
- Banco Popular – more than 50 legal challenges filed against the SRB with some of the main points of criticism relating to the transparency of the underlying valuation



# Valuation for the purposes of resolution

There are three key purposes of valuation outlined under Articles 36 and 74 of the BRRD

## Valuation 1 (Ex-ante)

- Accounting and prudential rules
- Based on current institution structure
- Can be provisional

## Valuation 2 (Ex-ante)

- Prudent “economic value” approach
- Based on assumed structure after resolution
- ‘Ex-ante’ insolvency valuation to predict (3)
- Can be provisional

## Valuation 3 (Ex-post)

- Final versions of (1) and/or (2), if originals provisional
- Insolvency valuation to inform compensation - gone-concern basis



# EBA & SRB valuation frameworks

EU-level frameworks published in February 2019:

- Fostering convergence & consistency of valuation practices;
- Indication of expected content to be included in valuation reports;
- Expectations regarding the principles and methodologies for valuation reports;
- Reduces uncertainty for both valuers and RAs;
- Enhances comparability and consistency of valuations across future resolution cases; and
- Work ongoing in relation to expectations for MIS and data.



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# Key themes from the valuation framework documents

Valuer's  
independence

'Hold value'  
and 'disposal  
value'

Mainly  
focuses on  
Valuation 2

Prevalence of  
DCF

Reliance on  
institutions'  
valuation  
capabilities



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# Roadmap to-date and future direction of travel

## May 2017

- Publication of RTS on Valuation and establishment of EBA working group on valuation

## March 2019

- Commencement of work stream on MIS capabilities and data expectations

## September 2019

- EBA workshop with stakeholders to review MIS and data dictionary

## 2020 onwards

- Local engagement with industry to test MIS capabilities including on-site inspections

## February 2019

- Publication of EBA Handbook on Valuation and SRB Valuation Framework

## April 2019

- Publication of The Central Bank's Approach to Resolution for Banks and Investment Firms

## November 2019

- Publication of EBA Handbook MIS chapter and data dictionary



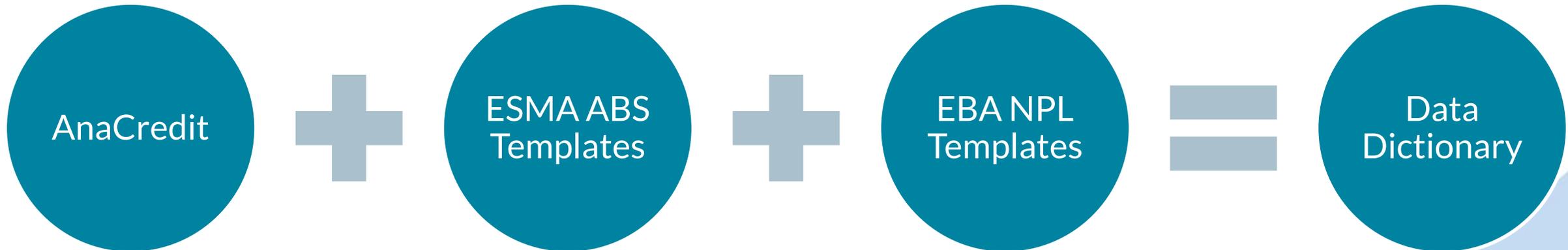
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# Data dictionary

Draft data dictionary is developed based on existing ones

*Data dictionary constitutes a “benchmark”, which can be used by RAs and makes use of existing definitions to the maximum extent possible*



# Central Bank's approach to resolution – valuation annex

## Information to be made available by institutions

- MIS capabilities in place which can provide high quality data and information.
- Checklist of information and data
- Financial statements
- Latest regulatory reporting
- Explanation of key methodologies/assumptions used

## Other useful information to support a valuation

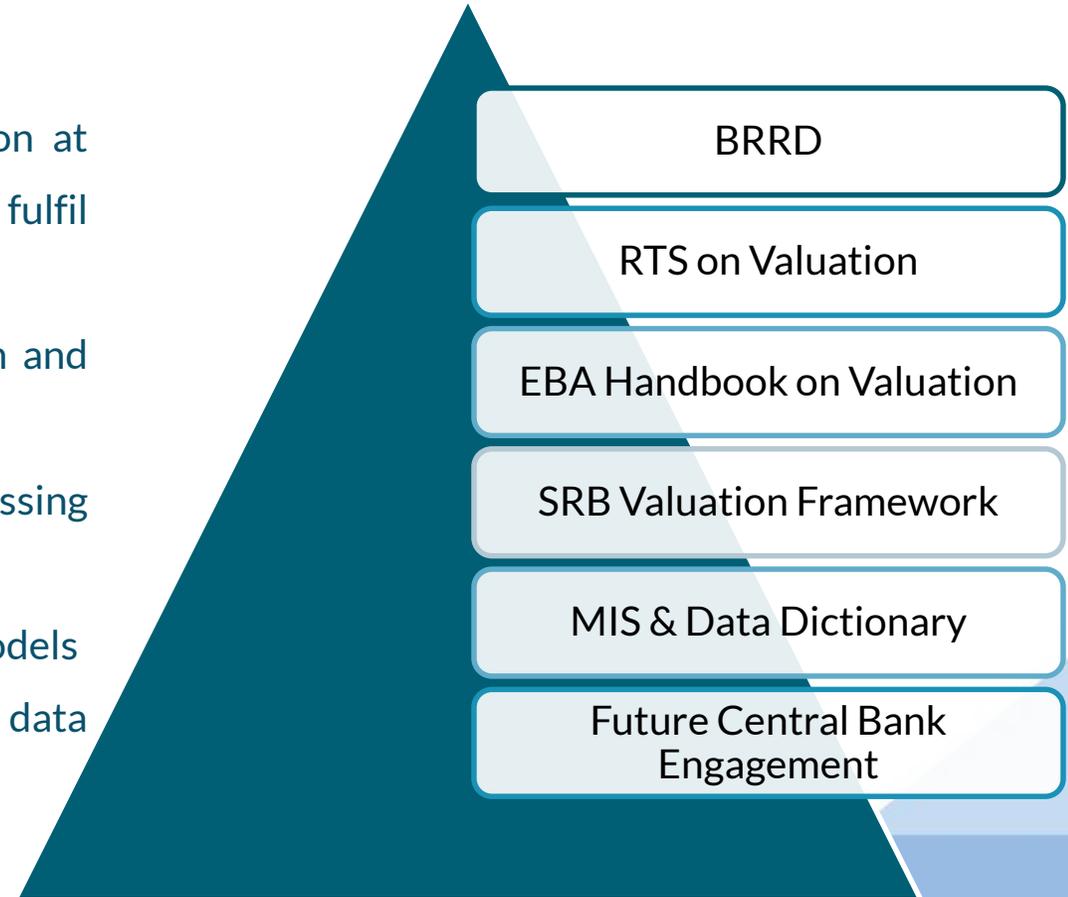
- Relevant market data
- Discussions with management and auditors
- Supervisory assessments
- Industry-wide assessments of asset quality/stress tests
- Valuations of peers
- Historical information
- Trend analyses



# Key takeaways

## Resolution planning and resolvability

- Institutions are expected to be able to provide adequate information at group and legal entity level – must be able to demonstrate ability to fulfil local requirements
- Institutions should familiarise themselves with the existing legislation and regulations along with the published guidance and frameworks
- Prepare for future developments in relation to MIS and assessing capabilities to provide high quality information in a timely manner
- Ensure sufficient documentation and governance relating to internal models
- Ensure capabilities to produce information in accordance with the data dictionary data fields



## 4. The Risk Reduction Measures Package – Key Resolution Aspects

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# Origins of the “RRM Package”

## International Standards

- *2015: As part of post crisis regulatory reform agenda FSB finalises TLAC Term Sheet*



## Regional Implementation

- *2016: European Commission proposes RRM Package to implement TLAC Term Sheet in EU law*



# Overview of “RRM Package” and objectives

## CRR2 (Capital Requirements Regulation)

- TLAC & internal TLAC requirement
- Criteria for TLAC eligible liabilities
- Permissions regime for reducing eligible liabilities
- **JULY 2019 (approx.)**

## CRD5 (Capital Requirements Directive)

- Intermediate parent undertaking for third country groups
- **JANUARY 2021 (approx.)**

## BRRD2 (Bank Recovery and Resolution Directive)

- Pillar 2 add-on for TLAC
- MREL calibration
- Internal MREL
- MREL breaches
- Bail-in of liabilities governed by third country laws
- Moratorium tools
- **JANUARY 2021 (approx.)**

## SRMR2 (Single Resolution Mechanism Regulation)

- Same as for BRRD (except bail-in of liabilities governed by third country laws [Art. 55] and moratorium tools)
- **JANUARY 2021 (approx.)**

## BRRD2 Article 108 (fast-tracked)

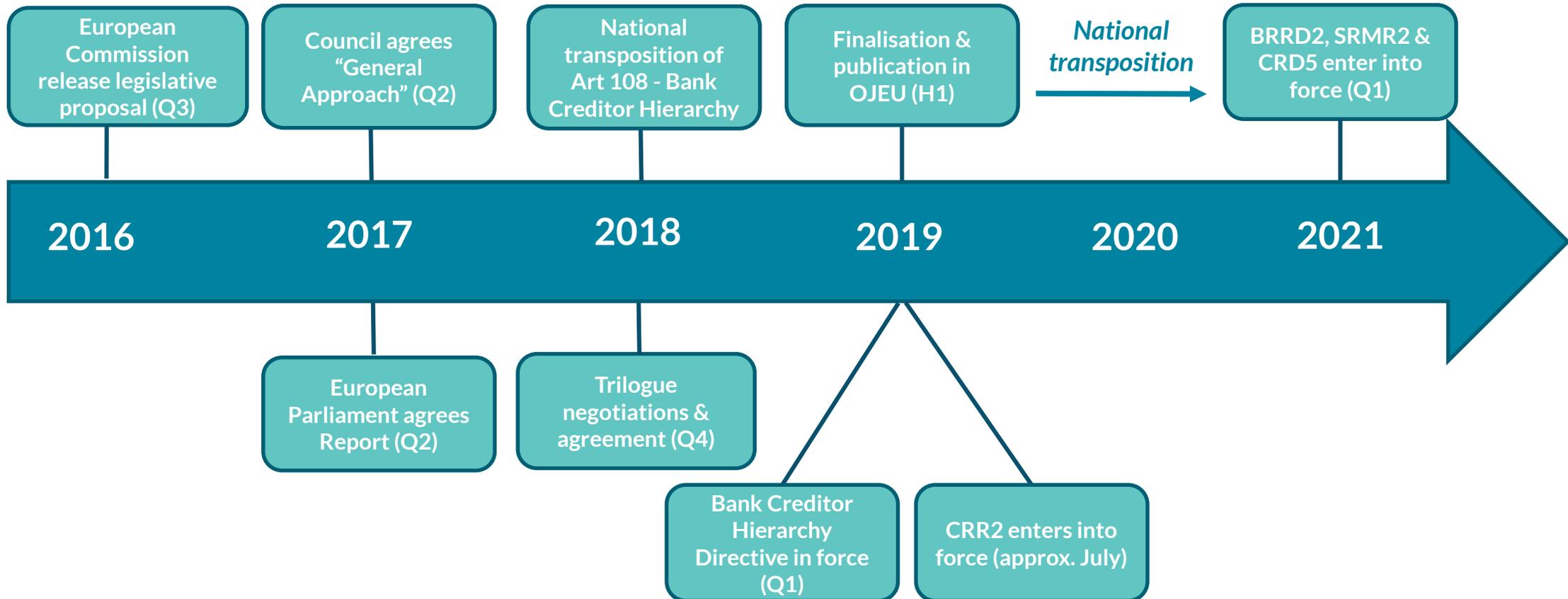
- Partial harmonisation of creditor hierarchy in insolvency law
- **MARCH 2019**

### “RRM Package” objectives

- ✓ Enhance quality of MREL resources via subordination requirement
- ✓ Introduce internal MREL - thus ensuring that there is loss absorbing capacity at the level of subsidiaries
- ✓ Require the establishment of an IPU for third country groups – thus simplifying and strengthening the resolution process for third country groups with significant activities in the EU
- ✓ Introduce an additional moratorium power for resolution authorities – thus including an additional tool in the resolution toolbox

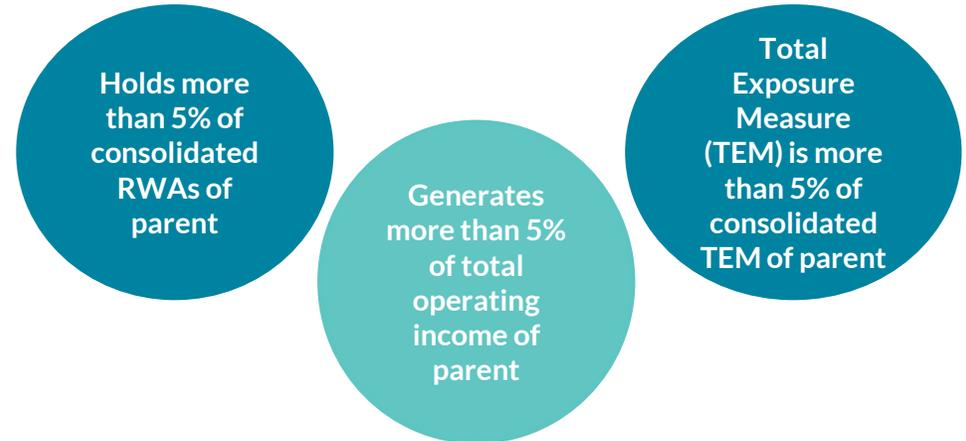


# Timeline for RRM Package



# Main elements of CRR2

- Establishes statutory requirements:
  - TLAC requirements of 16% TREA; 6% LREM for GSIBs. As of 2022 this raises to 18% TREA and 6.75% LREM
  - Internal TLAC requirements for material subsidiaries of non-EU GSIBs
  - Specifies the criteria for TLAC eligible liabilities
  - Introduces reporting and disclosure requirements for TLAC and internal TLAC
  - Introduces permissions regime for calls, redemptions, repayment or repurchases of eligible liabilities instruments prior to contractual maturity



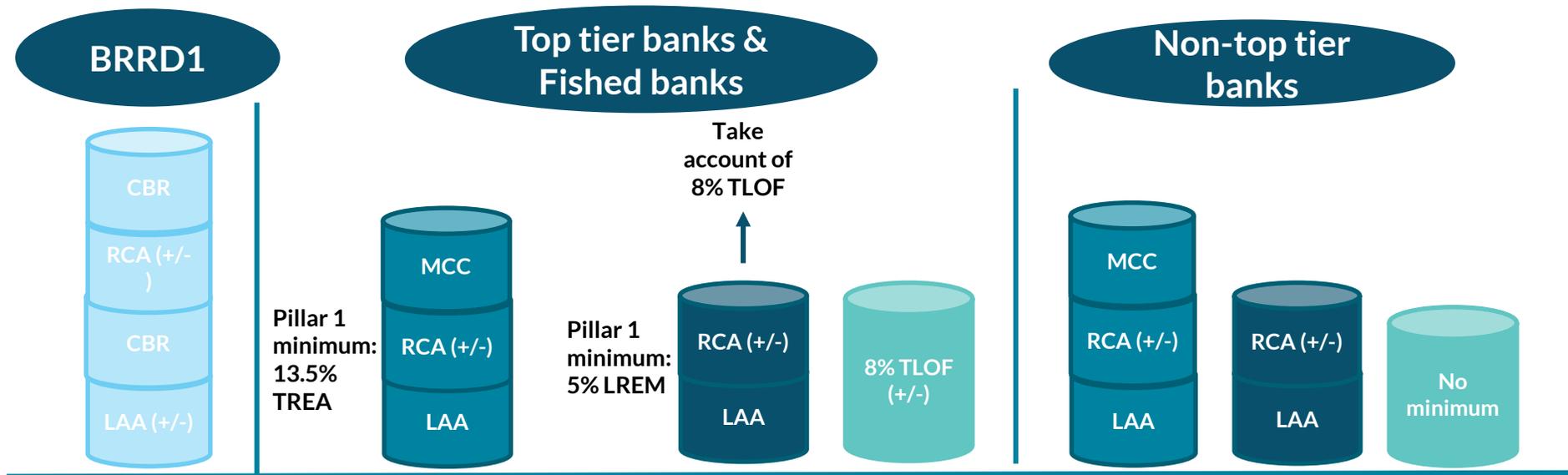
**Effective** *July 2019 (approx.)*  
*No national transposition required*



# BRRD2 & SRMR2 – MREL and subordination

MCC = Market Confidence Charge  
 LAA = Loss Absorption Amount  
 CBR = Combined Buffer Requirement  
 RCA = Recapitalisation Amount

- Revised MREL calibration and subordination requirements for three distinct categories of institutions:
  - Top tier banks (assets over €100bn in resolution group)
  - Non-top tier banks (assets less than €100bn in resolution group)
  - Fished banks



**Effective** *January 2021 (approx.)*  
 18 months of national transposition required

 = MREL requirement in TLOF  
 = MREL requirement in TREA  
 = MREL requirement in LREM  
 = Subordination requirement

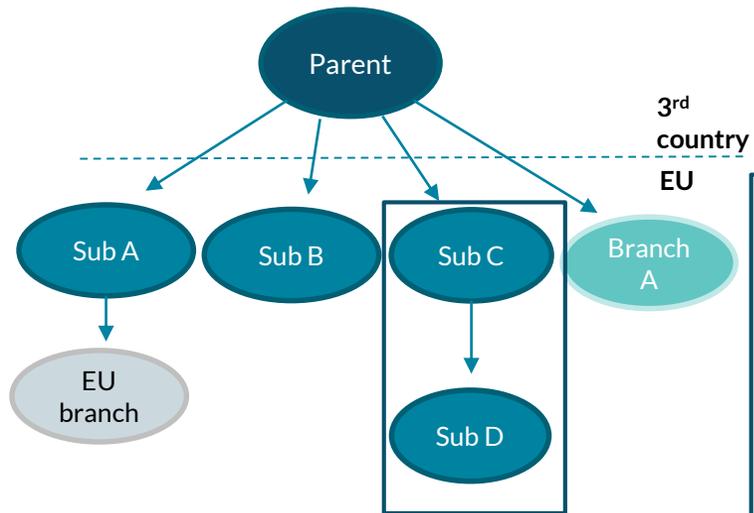
# Intermediate Parent Undertakings

- Two or more subsidiaries in the EU
- Total assets in EU are €40bn or more (includes third country branches' assets)
- Two IPU solution permitted where structural separation exist in third country jurisdiction

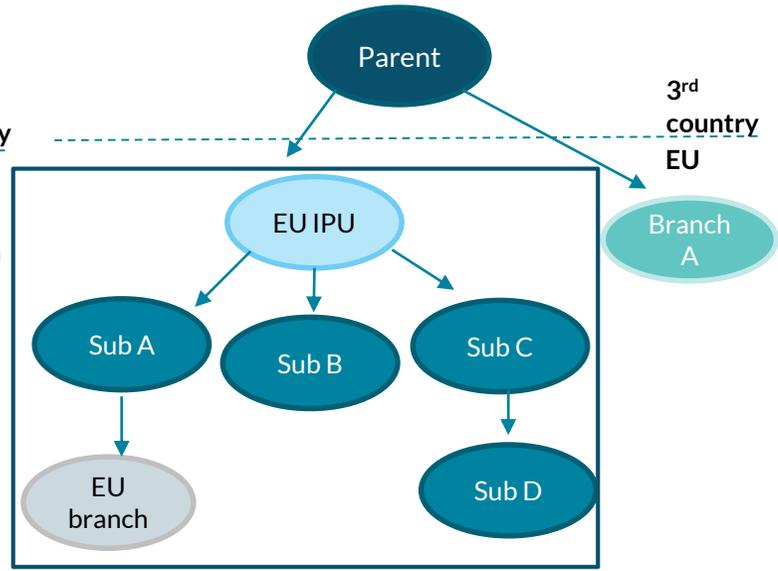
- IPU legal form**

  - ✓ Credit institution
  - ✓ Financial holding company
  - ✓ Mixed financial holding company
  - ✓ Investment firm\*

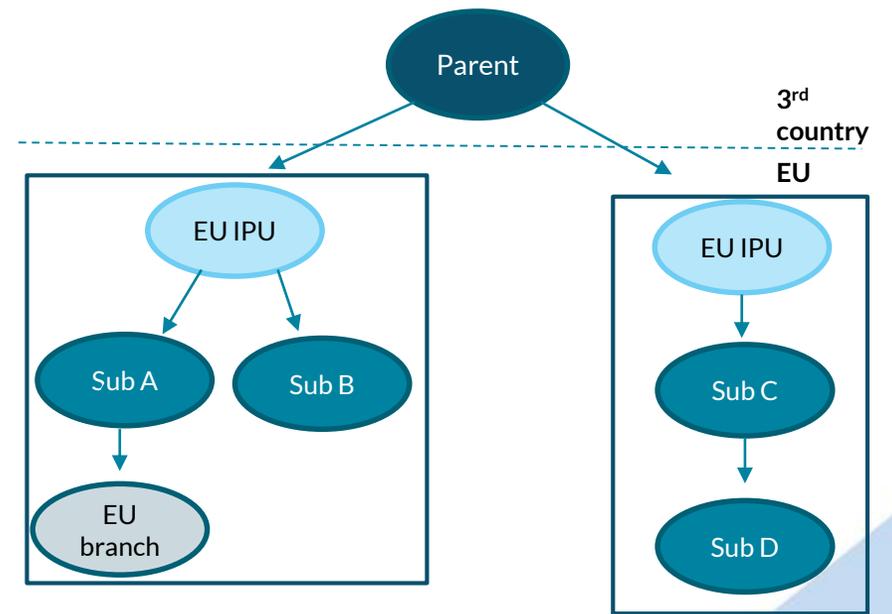
Example of current prudential architecture



CRD5 prudential architecture



CRD5 prudential architecture (2 IPU solution)



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Applicable January 2021 (approx. application of CRD5) + 3 years = January 2024

# BRRD2 & SRMR2 (continued)

- Institution-specific internal MREL requirement for subsidiaries that are non-resolution entities



- MREL reporting and disclosure requirements



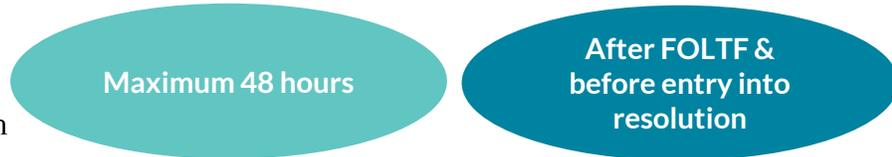
- Measures to deal with MREL breaches



- Limits on sale of subordinated MREL instruments to retail investors



- Provides Resolution Authorities with a supplementary moratorium tool, to be used in phase between FOLTF and entry into resolution



## 5. The Revised Prudential Regime for Investment Firms – Resolution Scope Impacts

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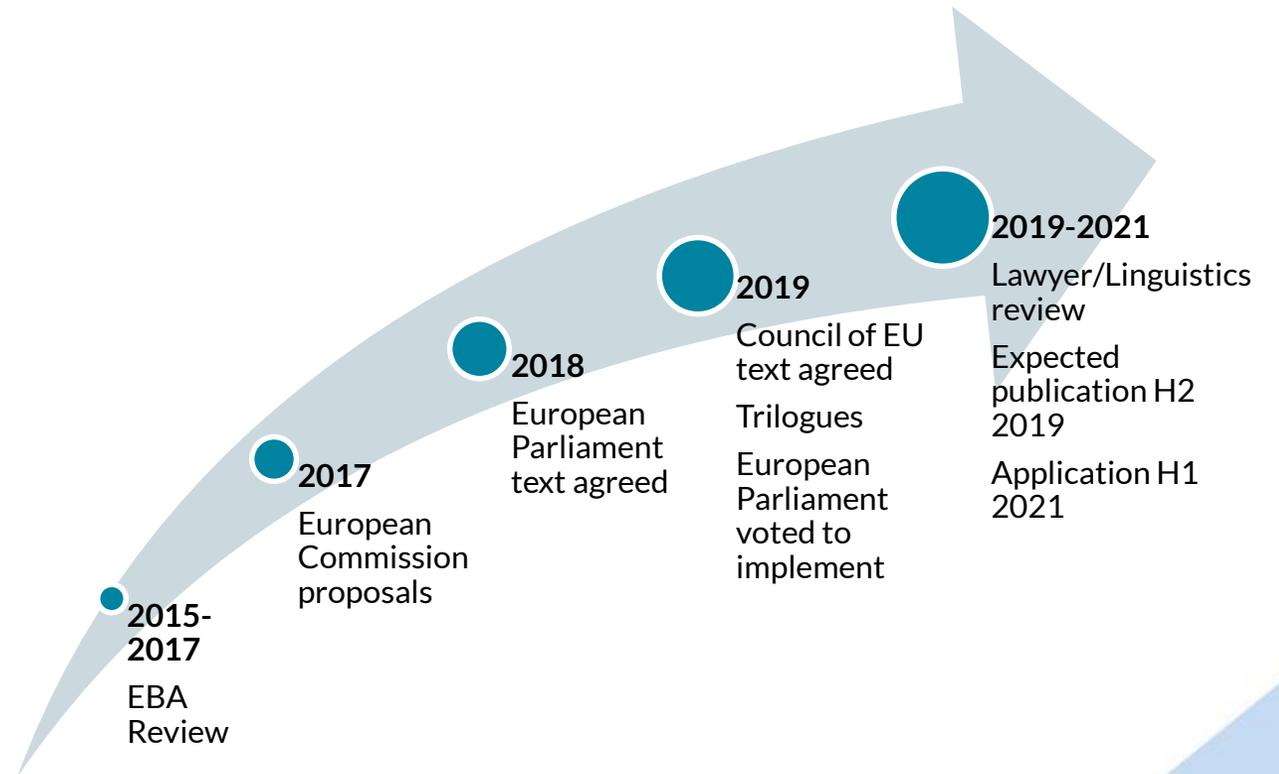
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# Overview

## Background

- Appropriateness of CRD IV/CRR regime for investment firms questioned
- Systemic, bank-like class of investment firm subject to the same prudential regulation as credit institutions
- Non-systemic investment firms with appropriate regulatory regime



# Categorisation

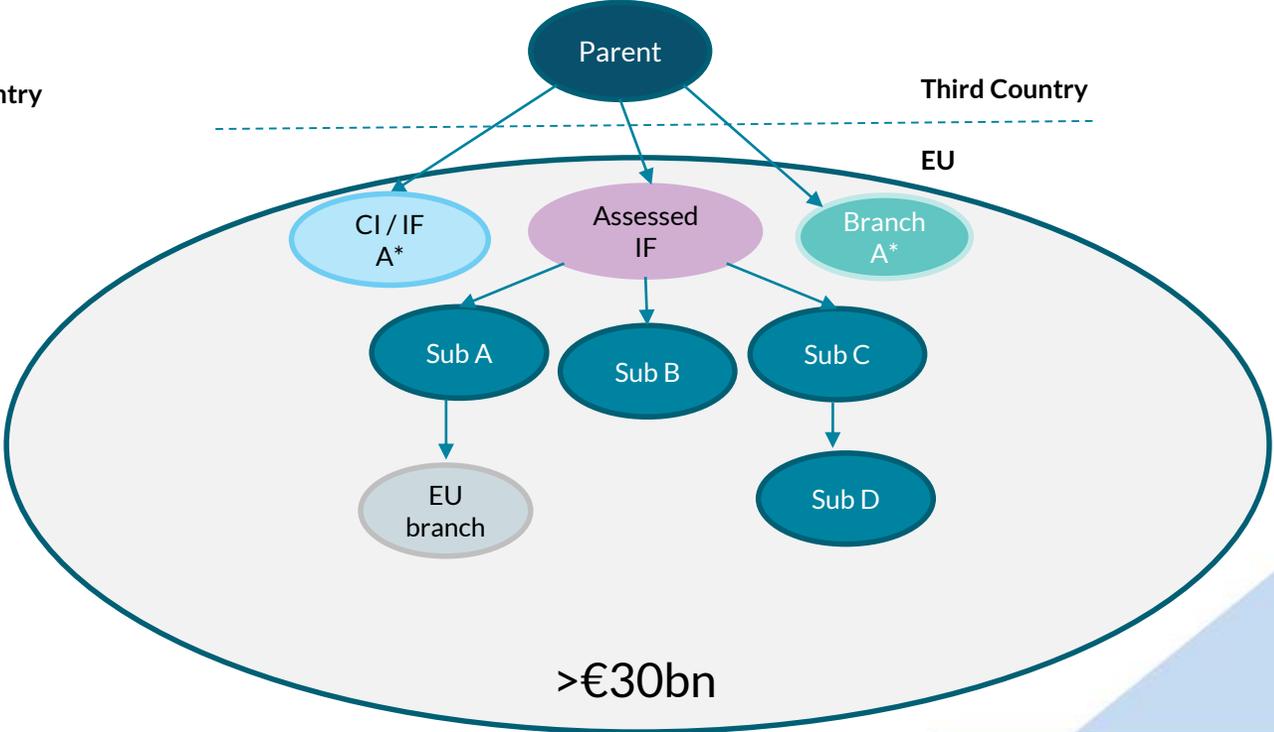
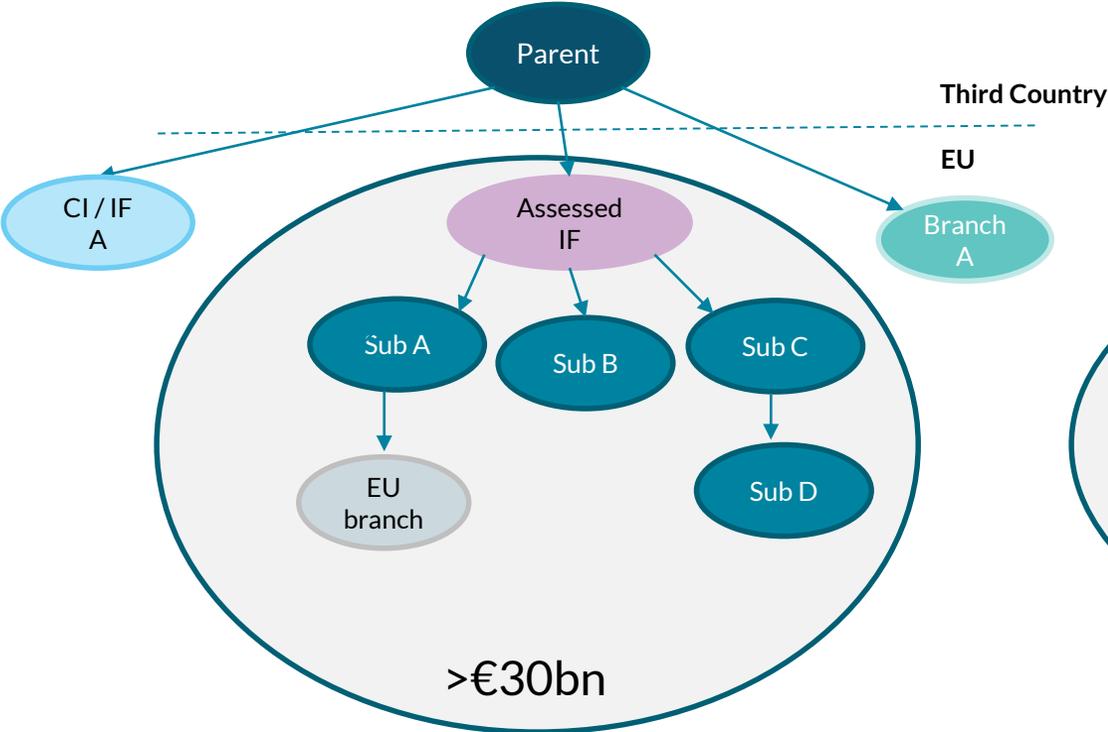
- Four main categories in terms of prudential treatment/requirements
  - **Class 1:** Threshold of €30bn: Authorisation as a credit institution
  - **Class 1 minus:** Remain as investment firm subject to CRD/CRR
  - **Class 2:** New IFD/IFR prudential regime applies
  - **Class 3:** New IFD/IFR prudential regime applies with some lighter requirements -  
*Small and non-interconnected investment firms*



# Categorisation: Class 1 threshold €30bn

Test 1 - Consolidated assets of the firm >€30bn

Test 2 - Anti-circumvention tests – group based test

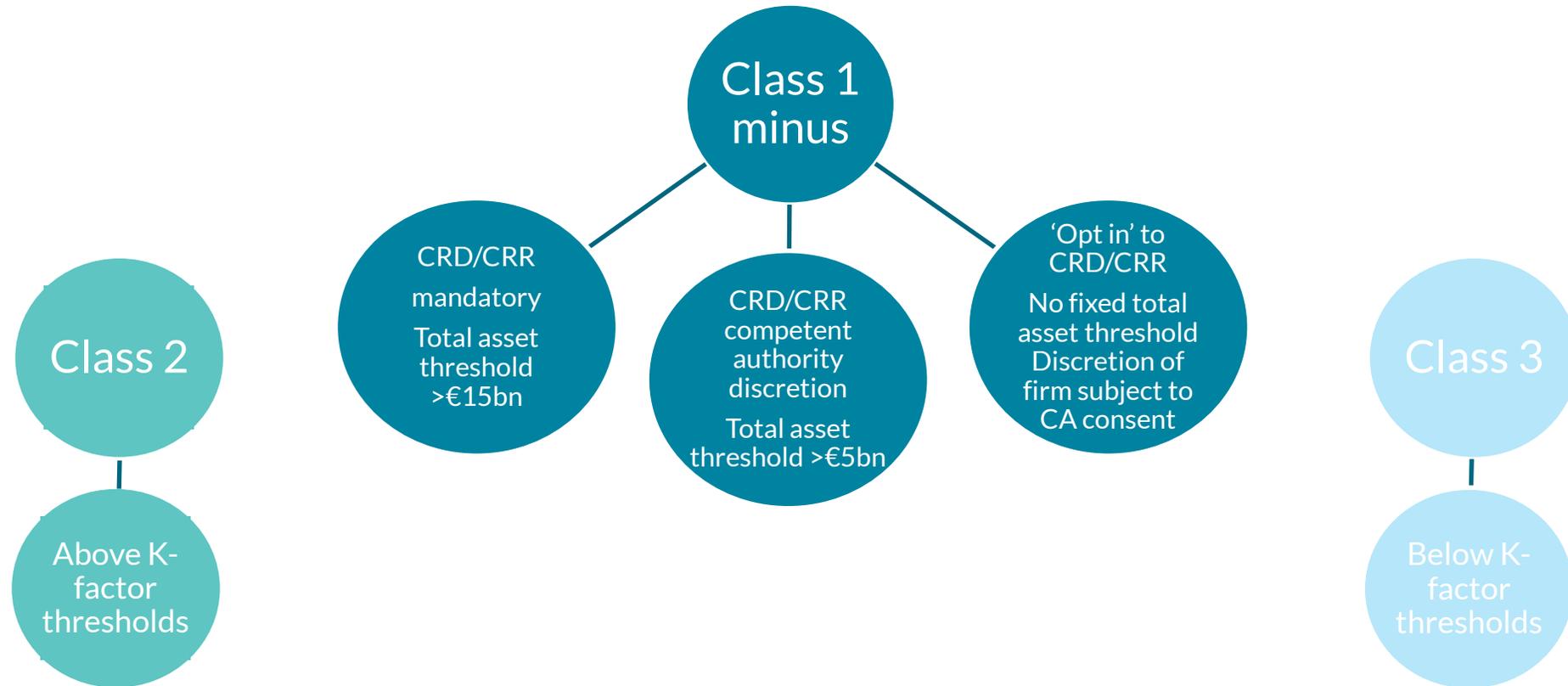


\*Sister entities come into scope only in cases where they carry out MiFID activities 3 and/or 6.

\*Third country branches authorised in the Union come into scope for the group based test



# Categorisation: Class 1 minus, Class 2 & Class 3



## Current state of play for in-scope BRRD investment firms

### MiFID activities

Dealing on own account  
and/or  
underwriting/placing  
financial instruments on  
a firm commitment basis

### BRRD scope

All €730K initial capital  
investment firms under  
CRD, i.e. firms conducting  
activities to the left

### Banking Union Scope

Only where a subsidiary  
in a bank-headed group



## BRRD impacts: Class 1 credit institutions

In direct scope of Banking Union

Within scope of BRRD as credit institutions



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# BRRD impacts: Scope of BRRD for investment firms

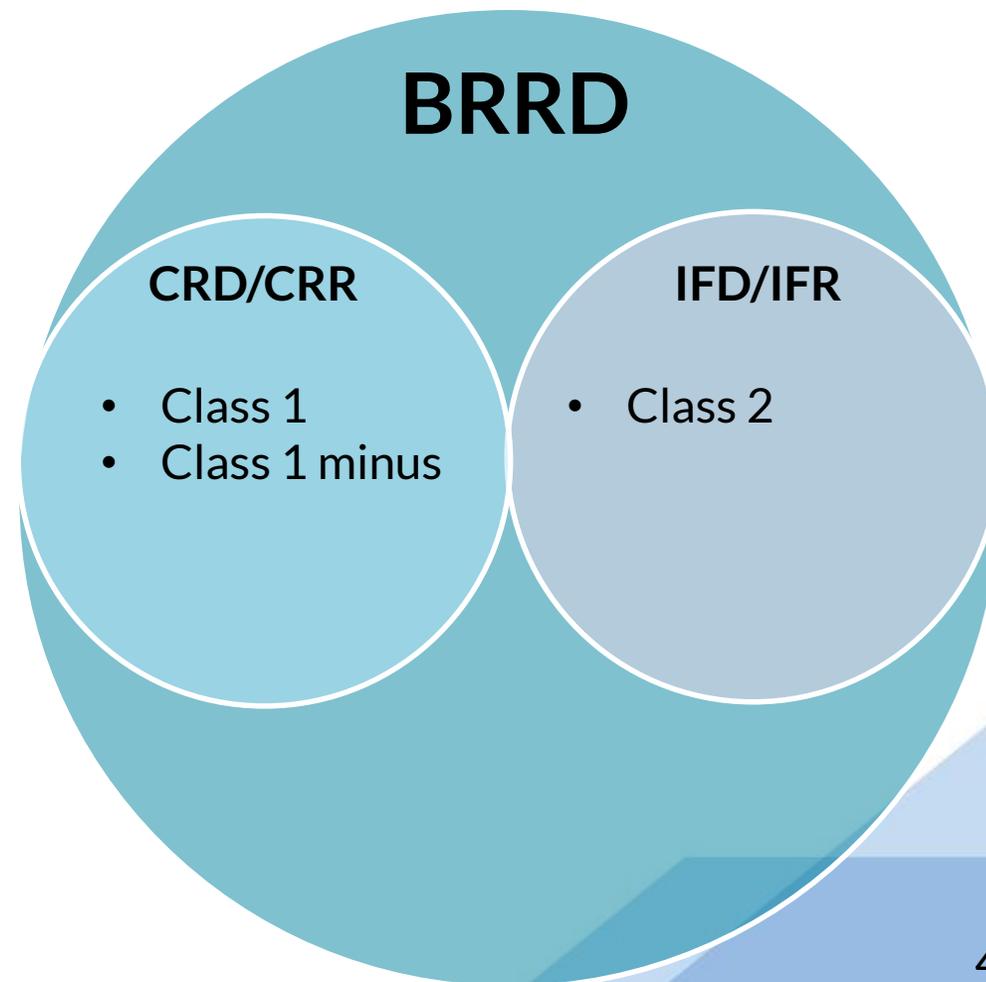
The criteria to be in-scope of the BRRD remain activity based

Dealing on own account

Underwriting and/or placing financial instruments on a firm commitment basis

Initial capital requirement €750k

- IFD amends the gateway through which any investment firm comes in scope of BRRD – an IFD provision will be the gateway
- A non-Class 1 firm can be in-scope of the BRRD



## 6. Outstanding Elements of Banking Union – The Resolution Standpoint

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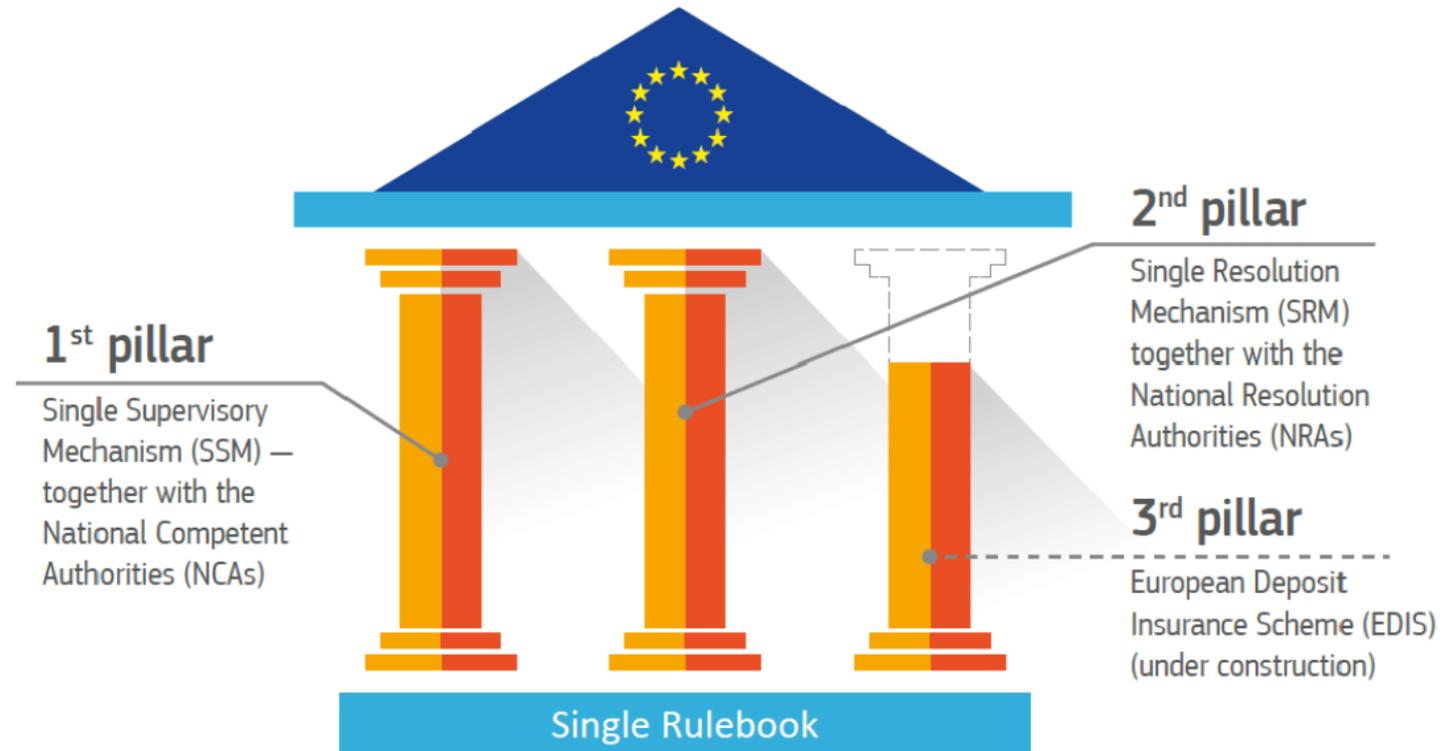
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# Pillars of Banking Union

## Recent Key Milestones in 1<sup>st</sup> Pillar

Agreement on Risk  
Reduction Measures  
Package

Prudential requirements for  
new non-performing loans



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## Banking Union pillars 2 and 3 - recent key milestones



## What's outstanding – key issues in Banking Union pillars 2 and 3

European Deposit  
Insurance Scheme (EDIS)

Liquidity in Resolution

Interactions between  
resolution, insolvency,  
DGS and state aid  
frameworks



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# The overarching narrative



## 7. Q&A

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