

Newsletter

2016 Winter Edition



IBFed Board Meetings

May 2016 in Rome 

The Board established new missions and priorities



On 26th and 27th May 2016 the 46th Board meeting was hosted in Rome by the Italian Banking Association.

Ms. Debbie Crossman, the chair of the Prudential Supervision WG (PSWG), briefed the Board on the Basel Committee's agenda and the PSWG related work. **Mr. Michael Barbour**, the chair of Tax WG talked about the recent activities of the WG.

The Board also discussed the results of the review of the priorities undertaken with the members, considering it was the right time to set IBFed clearer and more targeted objectives. The [IBFed website](#) was updated with the new missions and priorities.

IBFed Missions and Priorities

Economic
Growth

Digital
Banking

New
Expectations

IBFed Board Meetings

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IBFed missions and priorities

1. The IBFed strongly believes that banks play a crucial role in supporting and promoting economic growth. The capacity of banks to finance the broader economy should be promoted.
2. The Associations of the IBFed support the efforts of their members to remain leaders in serving their customers' needs, looking into the opportunities and challenges of digital banking and new technologies.
3. The Associations of the IBFed help their members to demonstrate their economic and social contribution hereby addressing the varying expectations from public authorities and public opinion while preserving their key role in providing financial services on a sustainable basis.

October 2016 in Beijing

First Board meeting hosted by the China Banking Association

On 24th and 25th October 2016 the 48th Board meeting was held in Beijing, hosted by the China Banking Association.

The Board had the pleasure to meet and exchange views with Chinese policy makers and analysts on their priorities, the Chinese economy and the financial system.



Mr. Jiakai Yang, the Assistant Chairman, China Banking Regulatory Commission explained the current situation for Chinese banking supervision and regulation. He explained the role of banking supervision in further strengthening the financial system in China.

Mr. Yansheng Zhang, the Secretary-General of Academic Committee, National Development and Reforms Commission, presented the China's Economic Outlook and the changes of the Chinese economy under the new normal.

Mr. Hong Liao, the Vice Director-General of State Administration of Social Organizations, China's Ministry of Civil Affairs, explained the development and the role of social organizations in China. He emphasised their important contribution to Chinese society and mentioned that China banking association got the 5A rank which was the highest evaluation for social organizations.

Mrs. Yaling Tan, the President of China Forex Investment Research Institute, provided her view on the process and reform of the RMB Internationalisation, the internal pressure and competitiveness of the RMB Internationalisation and the future challenges.

Mr. Shusong Ba, the Chief Economist of China Banking Association, illustrated the development and transformation of the Chinese financial system, how the bank-led financial sector is speeding up the industrialisation and urbanisation of China and the major trends and outlook.

Key concerns regarding the capital framework communicated to the G20

The Board discussed the challenges being experienced by the Basel Committee as they work to finalise the new framework by the end of 2016. The calibration will be utmost important as not to significantly increase capital overall. The Board decided to send a letter to the G20 in order to convey concerns and this was sent on 30th November 2016.

The letter emphasised the importance of ensuring that the regulatory foundation of banks as economic intermediaries supported economic growth and the societal benefits that flow from this. Moreover, the IBFed urged the G20 to give careful consideration to the economic growth imperative through an understanding of the relationship between higher capital requirements and lending while considering the most appropriate approach to reduce risk-weighted asset variability, which sits at the heart of the recent Basel changes.

[Click here to read the letter](#)

New appointments as WG Chair and Deputy-Chair

Mr. John Thompson, Head of Financial Crime Policy at the British Bankers' Association has been appointed as new Chairman of the Financial Crime WG.

Mr. Koji Kuroi, Senior Director for Financial Crime at the Japanese Bankers Association has been appointed as Deputy Chairman of the Financial Crime WG.

Mr. Dirk Stein, Director Retail Banking, Bank Technology at the Association of German Banks has been appointed as Deputy Chairman of the Consumer Affairs WG.

[Click here to see the full list of the WG Chairs, Deputy-Chairs and Secretariats](#)

WG in person meetings held in 2016

WG	Date and Place
Accounting WG	18 -19 February 2016 (London)
Consumer Affairs WG	28 June 2016 (Toronto)
Financial Crime WG	9 November 2016 (London)
Financial Markets WG	30 June 2016 (London)
Prudential Supervision WG	5 - 6 October 2016 (Washington DC)
Tax WG	17 February 2016 (London)
Value Transfer Networks WG	17 February 2016 (London)



Upcoming Meetings

Meeting	Date and Place
Board Meeting	2 February 2017 (Conference Call) 18 - 19 May 2017 (Berlin)
Consumer Affairs WG	16 May 2017 (Berlin)
Corporate Governance WG	May 2017 (Berlin)
Financial Crime WG	May 2017 (Berlin)
Financial Markets WG	20 March 2017 (Madrid)
Tax WG	May 2017 (Berlin)
Value Transfer Networks WG	May 2017 (Berlin)



IBFed Comment Letters issued in 2016

Date	Content
12 February	Basel Committee Consultation on TLAC Holdings
11 March	Basel Committee Consultation on standardised approach for credit risk
17 March	Basel Committee Consultation on identification and measurement of step-in risk
1 April	IBFed Policy Paper Base on Erosion and Profit Shifting (BEPS) “Why International Banks are different”
29 April	BRRD Article 55 - Contractual recognition of bail-in
29 April	Phase I Report of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures
29 April	Foreign Account Compliance Tax Act (FATCA)
27 May	OECD Recommendations on BEPS Actions 8-10: Aligning Transfer Pricing
27 May	IBFed Policy Paper In relation to Base Erosion and Profit Shifting Transfer Pricing Guidance – Application to Banks
3 June	Basel Committee Consultation on Standardised Measurement Approach for Operational Risk
10 June	Basel Committee Consultation on Pillar 3 disclosure requirements – consolidated and enhanced framework
24 June	Basel Committee Consultation on Internal Models
15 July	Basel Committee Consultation on Guidelines on Prudential Treatment of Problem Assets – Definitions of Non-Performing Exposures and Forbearance
4 August	FATF Draft Guidance on Correspondent Banking
9 September	OECD on BEPS Action 4: Approaches to Address BEPS involving interest in the Banking and Insurance Sectors
9 September	OECD on BEPS Action 7: Additional Guidance on the Attribution of Profit to Permanent Establishments
30 September	IOSCO Consultation report on Examination of Liquidity of the Secondary Corporate Bond Markets
30 November	Letter to the G20 on the Finalisation of the Basel Committee Basel III Framework

[Click here to see specific comment letters](#)

The next newsletter will be published in the summer of 2017. We are also working on an update of the website and IBFed flyer.