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Revised market risk and credit valuation adjustment frameworks - implementation roadmap

Objective of this Communication

This Prudential Communication outlines a high-level and indicative implementation roadmap for the revised market risk and credit valuation adjustment frameworks.

The Basel Committee on Banking Supervision's (BCBS) Revised Minimum Capital Requirements for Market Risk, also referred to as the Fundamental Review of the Trading Book (FRTB), and the Revised Credit Valuation Adjustment framework (CVA), due for implementation in South Africa on 1 January 2024¹, bears reference.

The Prudential Authority (PA) hereby informs all affected persons of the FRTB and CVA frameworks' implementation roadmaps set out in **Appendix A and Appendix B**, respectively. This implementation roadmap addresses various structural, technical, and operational milestones and is intended to guide project planning initiatives within the PA and across supervised banks ahead of and marginally beyond the implementation date of 1 January 2024. In all instances, unless otherwise stipulated, the regulatory reporting and capitalisation date against the prescriptive standards set out in the FRTB and CVA frameworks is 1 January 2024.

The implementation milestones presented in **Appendix A** and **Appendix B** may be subject to revision, with due consideration to the impact on banks' preparatory programmes ahead of the implementation date. Further communication will be circulated to banks through the course of implementation with accurate dates and on the technical and processual aspects of the implementation milestones, where relevant. All details behind the submission of applications and other such requirements to the PA will be handled separately but remain informed by the milestones noted in this implementation roadmap. The regulatory reporting metrics, composite returns and business dates for all test submissions will be specified closer to the relevant milestones in purpose-specific communications to be issued to banks. Banks will be advised of the prescriptive technical specifications that need to be complied with to transmit (and potentially receive) data to (from) the PA. As such, this activity stream is captured as system and process testing (SPT) within the proposed implementation roadmap.

¹ As per the schedule reflected in Guidance Note 4 of 2021

Finally, banks are encouraged to employ the full extent of their resources, capability, and governance to ensure that the implementation of the FRTB and CVA regulatory frameworks demonstrates critical structural and mechanical integrity. Should banks foresee any challenges in meeting the implementation timelines set out in **Appendix A and Appendix B**, it remains incumbent upon the respective banks to engage with the PA thereon in an expeditious manner.

All requests for further information related to this Prudential Communication may be submitted via email to the PA's Market Risk Division at PA_RSD-MarketRisk@resbank.co.za, with the relevant PA frontline division copied, where applicable.

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Appendix A - Revised Market Risk Framework-implementation roadmap

Table 1: Foundational work stream

1. Foundational work stream			
Index	Stream	Start date	End date
1.1.	Submission of application by banks to the PA	01-07-2022	01-07-2022
1.2.	PA assessment of applications by banks	01-07-2022	01-12-2022
1.3.	Communication of application outcomes to banks	01-12-2022	01-01-2023
1.4.	SPT	01-01-2022	01-01-2024

Table 2: Simplified standardised approach work stream

2. Simplified standardised approach work stream			
Index	Stream	Start date	End date
2.1	Submission of application by banks to the PA	01-03-2022	01-03-2022
2.2	PA assessment of applications by banks	01-03-2022	01-07-2022
2.3	Communication of application outcomes to banks ²	01-07-2022	01-08-2023
2.4	SPT	01-01-2022	01-01-2024
2.5	Regulatory reporting and capitalisation	01-01-2024	

Table 3: Internal models approach work stream

3. Internal Models Approach (IMA) work stream					
Index	Stream	Start date	End date		
	IMA-PHASE 1				
3.1.	Phase 1: First subset of prospective IMA trading	g desks			
3.1.1	Submission of application by banks to the PA	01-07-2022	01-07-2022		
3.1.2	PA assessment of applications by banks	01-07-2022	01-09-2022		
3.1.3	 Communication of application outcomes to banks for participation in the IMA initial monitoring and live testing run to commence 01-10-2022 Banks applying for the use of an IMA are expected to ensure full readiness of their infrastructural and processual capabilities to commence with the initial monitoring and live testing run on 01-10-2022 	01-09-2022	01-10-2022		
3.1.4.	 Phase 1: Initial monitoring and live testing run Banks are required to make monthly submissions for a period of one year, with a final end to end assessment to be submitted to the PA on 16-10-2023 (submission template to be prescribed in due course) 	01-10-2022	01-10-2023		

² Banks that do not receive approval for any part of their application will be required to capitalise under the standardised approach and should commence the build of the standardised approach capability

	 The PA assessment of the monthly submissions will progress throughout and post the period of initial monitoring and live testing run The PA will inform banks of the outcome 		
	on the general risk component for the live testing run. Following this point, banks may submit an application to the PA to model the default risk charge under the		
3.1.5	IMA Phase 1: SPT	01-01-2022	01-01-2024
3.1.6	Communication of IMA phase 1 outcomes to banks	01-12-2023	01-01-2024
3.1.7	Regulatory reporting and capitalisation	01-01-2024	
	IMA-PHASE 2		
3.2	Phase 2: Second subset of prospective IMA tra		
3.2.1	Submission of application by banks to the PA	01-12-2022	01-12-2022
3.2.2	PA assessment of applications by banks	01-12-2022	01-06-2023
3.2.3	 Communication of application outcomes to banks for participation in IMA initial monitoring and live testing run to commence 01-07-2023 Banks applying for the use of an IMA are 	01-06-2023	01-07-2023
	expected to ensure full readiness of their infrastructural and processual capabilities to commence with the initial monitoring and live testing run on 01-07-2023		
3.2.4.	 Phase 2: Initial monitoring and live testing run Banks are required to make monthly submissions for a period of one year and a final end to end assessment, to be submitted to the PA on 19-07-2024 (submission template to be prescribed in due course) PA assessment of the monthly submissions will progress throughout and post the period of initial monitoring and live testing run The PA will inform banks of the outcome on the general risk component for the live testing run. Following this point, banks may submit an application to the PA to model the default risk charge under the IMA 	01-07-2023	01-07-2024
3.2.5.	Phase 2: SPT	01-01-2022	01-09-2024
3.2.6.	Communication of IMA phase 2 outcomes to banks	01-08-2024	01-09-2024
3.2.7	Regulatory reporting and capitalisation	01-09-2024	
	NEW APPLICATION PROC	ESS	
3.3	New application process (for desks not submitted as part of IMA phase 1 and IMA phase 2): PA assessment, regulatory reporting and capitalisation processes and dates to be determined on a bilateral basis with banks	01-03-2024	

Table 4: Standardised approach work stream

4. Standardised Approach (SA) work stream				
Index	Stream	Start date	End date	
4.1	SPT	01-01-2022	01-01-2023	
4.2	Regulatory reporting	01-01-2023		
4.3	Regulatory capitalisation	01-01-2024		

Table 5: Procedural guidelines work stream

5. Procedural guidelines work stream				
Index	Stream	Start date	End date	
5.1	PA development and approval of procedural guidelines	01-01-2022		
5.2	First issuance and engagement with banks on procedural guidelines	01-07-2023		

Appendix B - Revised Credit Valuation Adjustment Framework - implementation roadmap

Table 6: Basic approach-CVA work stream

1. Basic approach-CVA work stream			
Index	Stream	Start date	End date
1.1.	SPT	01-01-2022	01-01-2024
1.2.	Regulatory reporting	01-10-2023	
1.3.	Regulatory capitalisation	01-01-2024	

Table 7: Standardised approach-CVA work stream

2. Standardised approach-CVA work stream			
Index	Stream	Start date	End date
2.1.	SPT	01-01-2022	01-01-2024
2.2.	Submission of application by banks to the PA	01-04-2023	01-04-2023
2.3.	PA assessment of applications by banks	01-04-2023	01-09-2023
2.4.	Communication of application outcomes to banks	01-09-2023	01-10-2023
2.5.	Regulatory reporting	01-10-2023	
2.6	Regulatory capitalisation	01-01-2024	
2.7.	New application process: PA assessment, regulatory reporting and capitalisation processes and dates to be determined on a bilateral basis with banks	01-03-2024	

Table 8: Procedural guidelines work stream

3. Procedural guidelines work stream				
Index	Stream	Start date	End date	
3.1	PA development and approval of procedural guidelines	01-01-2022		
3.2	First issuance and engagement with banks on procedural guidelines	01-07-2023		