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# Future monitoring of European Corporate Action Standards

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HSG proposal



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# Objective set out by AMI-SeCo

*“... exploiting synergies and maximising efficiency ...”*

*“... take a first step towards a consolidated CA monitoring in 2019 by aligning the monitoring of the compliance with the CASG and the CAJWG standards at European and local levels in terms of logistics (timeline and contact persons, questionnaires) with the AMI-SeCo secretariat acting as the single contact point.”*

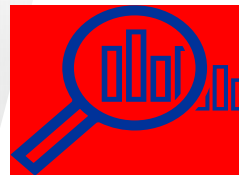
# Lessons learnt from the 2019 CASG – EMIG exercise



Same timetable (facilitated work at national level)

Back-to-back CASG-EMIG meeting (improved communication and helped logistics)

Overall, better quality because of better response rate and consistency



Resourcing issues on EMIG side

Need for more extensive AMI-SeCo (CASG) secretarial and administrative support than anticipated

Overall conclusion that exercise cannot be repeated in the same manner

# HSG high-level proposal

- **Consolidate monitoring of European CA standards (CAJWG, CASG and CMH-TF) under AMI-SeCo governance, with ECB providing the secretariat function and administrative support**
- **Ownership of CAJWG standards would remain with CAJWG**

# Possible elements for implementing the HSG's high level proposal

- **CA standards in scope:** CAJWG, CASG, CMH-TF
- **Geographical scope:** widest possible (all EMIG markets)
- **Market harmonisation:** all market participants
- **Representation in the monitoring governance:** include issuers
- **Consistency:** establish market sponsors
- **Harmonised compliance monitoring following a five-step process:**
  - (i) questionnaire / responses, (ii) review by sponsors and ECB,
  - (iii) ratings, (iv) gap analysis and impact assessment,
  - (v) follow-up of cases of non-compliance / escalation
- **Compliance levels:** establish high-level criteria and incentives

# AMI-SeCo is invited to

- a) Endorse the idea of creating a new CA group under the AMI-SeCo for the monitoring of CAJWG, CASG and CMH-TF CA standards
- b) Agree that the consolidated monitoring would be without prejudice to the ownership of the respective standards
- c) Liaise with the respective industry steering groups to seek their agreement with the proposal

