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# Regulatory technical standards specifying the operational conditions, the representativeness obligation and the reporting requirements related to the active account requirement

2025/2964(DEA) - 24/01/2012

The Council adjusted its position in negotiations with the European Parliament on a draft regulation aimed at increasing transparency and reducing risk in the over-the-counter (OTC) derivatives market (i.e. a derivative not traded on an exchange but instead privately negotiated between two counterparties). This is designed to facilitate rapid agreement with the Parliament, so as to enable the regulation to be adopted at first reading.

The main change to a general approach agreed by the Council in October relates to the procedure for authorising central counterparties (CCPs), in particular to the powers of the CCP's "home" member state, i.e. the Member State of establishment, versus those of the college of supervisors and the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA).

A general approach agreed in October specified that a CCP authorisation by a Member State's competent authority could only be blocked by a negative opinion of the college supported by a "unanimity minus one" vote (i.e. all the members of the college, excluding the authorities of the "home" member state). However, in order to facilitate agreement with the Parliament, which is pushing for a stronger role for the college and for ESMA, the Council today approved a proposal by the presidency which would introduce **two additional safeguards**, whereby:

- following a negative opinion of the college, with "unanimity minus one", the "home" member state can refer the matter to ESMA for binding mediation.
- when a "sufficient" majority in the college opposes authorisation of a CCP, this "sufficient majority" may then decide to put the issue to ESMA
  for binding mediation. The Council's position defines a "sufficient" majority as two-thirds of college members, with votes in the college limited
  to two per member state for colleges of up to and including 12 members and three for colleges above that size.

Negotiations also produced compromises on the following two issues:

- pension schemes would be exempt from a clearing obligation for a period of three years, extendable by another two years plus one years, subject to reports justifying the deferrals.
- CCPs from third countries would only be recognised in the EU if the legal regime of the respective third country provides for an effective equivalent system for the recognition of CCPs authorised under foreign legal regimes. However, this approach would not constitute a precedent for other legislation on the supervision and oversight of financial market infrastructures.

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2025/2964(DEA) - 21/02/2012

The Council was informed of the **outcome of a trialogue meeting** with the European Parliament and the Commission on 9 February, at which an agreement was reached on a draft regulation on over-the-counter derivative transactions, central counterparties and trade repositories.

It is expected that, once technical work has been completed, a letter will be sent to the Parliament to indicate that the Council can agree to the compromise text. The regulation will then be adopted by the Parliament in plenary session and by the Council without further discussion.

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2025/2964(DEA) - 04/10/2011

The Council agreed a **general approach** on a draft regulation aimed at increasing transparency and reducing risk in the over-the-counter (OTC) derivatives market. The regulation is aimed at implementing commitments made by G-20 leaders in September 2009. It would apply from the end of 2012.

This all-inclusive agreement will enable the presidency, on behalf of the Council, to start negotiations with the European Parliament, with a view to reaching agreement at first reading.

The main elements of the proposed compromise are the following:

- The obligation to report all derivative contracts to trade repositories (i.e. central data centres) and the clearing of standardised3 OTC derivative contracts through central counterparties (CCPs) in order to reduce counterparty risk (i.e. the risk of default by one party to the contract).
- If a contract is not eligible for clearing by a CCP, the draft regulation would require the application of different risk management techniques, including, for instance, exchange of collateral and the holding of additional capital.
- Trade repositories would have to publish aggregate positions by class of derivatives, thereby offering market participants a clearer view of the
  OTC derivatives market. The European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) would be responsible for the surveillance of trade
  repositories and for granting and withdrawing their registration.
- The venues of execution shall have access to any CCP to clear OTC derivatives transactions and, subject to conditions, for CCPs to have
  access to the trade flows from trading venues.
- ESMA would be responsible for the identification of contracts subject to the clearing obligation, while national competent authorities, in coordination with a college of supervisors, would be responsible for authorising and supervising CCPs, except in the case of CCPs from third countries, which would have to be recognised by ESMA provided they meet certain conditions.
- Authorisation of a CCP would always require, as a first condition, that the national competent authority is fully satisfied that the applicant CCP
  meets all the necessary requirements. On the other hand, a positive opinion from the national competent authority could be overruled by the
  college of supervisors only if all of its members, excluding the authorities of the member state concerned, reach a mutual agreement that the
  CCP should not be authorised. Moreover, the draft proposal stipulates that no Member State can be discriminated as a venue for clearing
  services
- A CCP would be required to have a mutualised default fund to which members of the CCP would have to contribute.
- The obligation to clear OTC derivatives contracts through a CCP and report them to trade repositories would apply to financial firms, while non-financial firms would only be subject to the rules if their OTC derivatives positions reach specified information and clearing thresholds, to be set by ESMA and the Commission, and are considered to be systemically important.
- Pension schemes would be exempt from the clearing obligation for a period of three years, extendable by another two years through a review
  clause.

The compromise proposed by the presidency allows room for further technical work, in the context of trilogue negotiations with the Parliament, on third country provisions.

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2025/2964(DEA) - 20/06/2011

The Council held a policy debate on a draft regulation aimed at increasing transparency and reducing risk in the over-the-counter (OTC) derivatives market.

It asked the Permanent Representatives Committee to oversee further work on the proposal so as to enable the Council to reach agreement on a general approach as soon as possible.

The Council's debate focused on two issues:

- authorisation and supervision of CCPs, in particular the role played by ESMA;
- scope of the regulation, namely whether to also subject listed derivative contracts traded on regulated markets to clearing and reporting obligations.