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# **EIOPA – Work on monitoring of NCAs' preparation for Solvency II**

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# EIOPA mandate and strategy for Supervisory Oversight work





- EIOPA regulation Art 29 on promoting a common European **supervisory culture** and **consistent supervisory practices**
  - Drive the quality, consistency and convergence of supervision by National Competent Authorities by bilateral engagement with National Competent Authorities on their supervisory practices
  - Work of the Oversight Supervisory Team (**SPOT**) in close cooperation with **Colleges** and **Centre of Expertise of Internal Models**
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# EIOPA Supervisory Oversight methodology



- SPOT has bilateral contacts with NCAs to better understand their **supervisory and regulatory framework**, to **monitor** their **preparation** for and **implementation** of **Solvency II** and to **provide feedback** in order to enhance convergence
    - o focus on major risks/concerns following a risk-focused, forward-looking approach and the principles of effective supervision;
    - o focus on Solvency II and NCA risk assessment framework;
    - o discussion of current and planned practices using concrete examples;
    - o proportional approach;
    - o shared and transparent understanding with the NCA regarding the observations and suggestions for improvement;
  - Staff observations as **independent** and **challenging feedback** on supervisory practices to the NCA senior management – non binding
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## Not only insurers, but also supervisors have made good use of the preparatory phase

- From European diversity and Solvency I legacy towards more European convergence
  - What went wrong ? 
  - What can go wrong ? 
- Changes to supervisory cultures in process
  - Promoting a more intrusive, forward-looking, proactive and more risk-based supervision



# EIOPA Supervisory Oversight outcomes



- 10 Bilateral visits in 2014
- 19 Bilateral visits in 2015
  
- In 2016 within Solvency II continue also with more tailored and follow-up visits.

# Balance Sheet Reviews and more extensive country support



- Balance Sheet Review of Romanian Insurance Market 2015
  - Aim: Strengthen credibility in the national market



- Balance sheet Review of Bulgarian Insurance Market 2016  
Asset Quality Review of Bulgarian Pension Market 2016
  - Aim: National Reform Programme and to strengthen credibility in the national markets



- Recommendations for activities and priorities in a merged insurance and pension supervisor in Cyprus 2015
  - Aim : Strengthen supervision under Solvency II





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# Questions ?

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