

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2019/2028**of 29 November 2019****amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1799 as regards the mapping tables specifying the correspondence between the credit risk assessments of external credit assessment institutions and the credit quality steps set out in Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council****(Text with EEA relevance)**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms ⁽¹⁾, and in particular the third subparagraph of Article 136(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1799 ⁽²⁾ specifies, in its Annex III, the correspondence of the relevant credit assessments issued by an external credit assessment institution ('ECAI') to the credit quality steps set out in Section 2 of Chapter 2 of Title II of Part Three of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 ('mapping').
- (2) Following the latest amendments, by Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/634 ⁽³⁾, to Annex III to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1799, the quantitative and qualitative factors underpinning the credit assessments of some mappings in Annex III to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1799 have changed. In addition, some ECAIs have extended their credit assessments to new market segments, resulting in new rating scales and new credit rating types. It is therefore necessary to update the mappings of the ECAIs concerned.
- (3) Since the adoption of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/634, another credit rating agency has been registered in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽⁴⁾. As Article 136(1) of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 requires the specification of mappings for all ECAIs, it is necessary to provide a mapping for that newly registered ECAI. The credit assessments applied by the newly registered ECAI are based on the same methodology as that applied by its parent company, a third country ECAI for which a mapping had already been established in Annex III to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1799. It is therefore appropriate in this specific case that the mapping for the newly registered ECAI mirrors the mapping established for that third country ECAI.
- (4) This Regulation is based on the draft implementing technical standards submitted by the European Banking Authority, the European Securities and Markets Authority and the European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority jointly (the European Supervisory Authorities) to the Commission.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 176, 27.6.2013, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1799 of 7 October 2016 laying down implementing technical standards with regard to the mapping of credit assessments of external credit assessment institutions for credit risk in accordance with Articles 136(1) and 136(3) of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 275, 12.10.2016, p. 3).

⁽³⁾ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/634 of 24 April 2018 amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1799 as regards the mapping tables specifying the correspondence between the credit risk assessments of external credit assessment institutions and the credit quality steps set out in Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 105, 25.4.2018, p. 14).

⁽⁴⁾ Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 September 2009 on credit rating agencies (OJ L 302, 17.11.2009, p. 1).

- (5) The European Supervisory Authorities have conducted open public consultations on the draft implementing technical standards, analysed the potential related costs and benefits and requested the opinion of the Banking Stakeholder Group established in accordance with Article 37 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽⁵⁾; the opinion of the Securities and Markets Stakeholder Group established in accordance with Article 37 of Regulation (EU) No 1095/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽⁶⁾; and the opinion of the Insurance and Reinsurance Stakeholder Group established in accordance with Article 37 of Regulation (EU) No 1094/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽⁷⁾.
- (6) Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1799 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Amendment to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1799

Annex III to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1799 is replaced by the text set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

Entry into force

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 29 November 2019.

For the Commission
The President
Jean-Claude JUNCKER

⁽⁵⁾ Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Banking Authority), amending Decision No 716/2009/EC and repealing Commission Decision 2009/78/EC (OJ L 331, 15.12.2010, p. 12).

⁽⁶⁾ Regulation (EU) No 1095/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Securities and Markets Authority), amending Decision No 716/2009/EC and repealing Commission Decision 2009/77/EC (OJ L 331, 15.12.2010, p. 84).

⁽⁷⁾ Regulation (EU) No 1094/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010 establishing a European Supervisory Authority (European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority), amending Decision No 716/2009/EC and repealing Commission Decision 2009/79/EC (OJ L 331, 15.12.2010, p. 48).

ANNEX

ANNEX III

Mapping tables for the purposes of Article 16

Credit quality step	1	2	3	4	5	6
<i>ACRA Europe, a.s (formerly European Rating Agency, a.s.)</i>						
Global long-term rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D
Global short-term rating scale	S1		S2	S3, S4, NS		
<i>AM Best Europe Rating Services</i>						
Long-term issuer credit rating scale	aaa, aa+, aa, aa-	a+, a, a-	bbb+, bbb, bbb-	bb+, bb, bb-	b+, b, b-	ccc+, ccc, ccc-, cc, c, d, e, f, s
Long-term issue rating scale	aaa, aa+, aa, aa-	a+, a, a-	bbb+, bbb, bbb-	bb+, bb, bb-	b+, b, b-	ccc+, ccc, ccc-, cc, c, d, s
Financial strength rating scale	A++, A+	A, A-	B++, B+	B, B-	C++, C+	C, C-, D, E, F, S
Short-term issuer rating scale	AMB-1+	AMB-1-	AMB-2, AMB-3	AMB- 4, d, e, f, s		
Short-term issue rating scale	AMB-1+	AMB-1-	AMB-2, AMB-3	AMB- 4, d, s		
<i>ARC Ratings S.A.</i>						
Medium- and long-term issuer rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D
Medium- and long-term issue rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D
Short-term issuer rating scale	A-1+	A-1	A-2, A-3	B, C, D		
Short-term issue rating scale	A-1+	A-1	A-2, A-3	B, C, D		
<i>ASSEKURATA Assekuranz Rating-Agentur GmbH</i>						
Long-term credit rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC/C, D
Short-term corporate rating scale	A++	A		B, C, D		
<i>Axesor Risk Management SL</i>						
Global rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D, E

Credit quality step	1	2	3	4	5	6
<i>Banque de France</i>						
Global long-term issuer credit rating scale	3++	3+, 3	4+	4, 5+	5, 6	7, 8, 9, P
<i>BCRA — Credit Rating Agency AD</i>						
Global long-term rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D
Global short-term rating scale	A-1+	A-1	A-2, A-3	B, C, D		
Pension-insurance company long-term scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D
Pension-insurance company short-term scale	A-1+	A-1	A-2, A-3	B, C, D		
Pension fund long-term scale	AAA pf, AA pf	A pf	BBB pf	BB pf	B pf	C pf
Guarantee fund long-term scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	C, D
Guarantee fund short-term scale	A-1+	A-1	A-2, A-3	B, C, D		
<i>Capital Intelligence Ratings Ltd</i>						
International long-term issuer rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	C, RS, SD, D
International long-term issue rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D
International long-term insurer financial strength rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	C, RS, SD, D
International short-term issuer rating scale	A1+	A1	A2, A3	B, C, RS, SD, D		
International short-term issue rating scale	A1+	A1	A2, A3	B, C, D		
International short-term insurer financial strength rating scale	A1+	A1	A2, A3	B, C, RS, SD, D		
<i>Cerved Rating Agency S.p.A.</i>						
Corporate long-term rating scale	A1.1, A1.2, A1.3	A2.1, A2.2, A3.1	B1.1, B1.2	B2.1, B2.2	C1.1	C1.2, C2.1
<i>Creditreform Rating AG</i>						
Long-term issuer rating scale	AAA, AA	A		BBB	BB	B, C, SD, D
Long-term issue rating scale	AAA, AA	A		BBB	BB	B, C, D
Short-term rating scale	L1	L2		L3, NEL, D		

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<i>CRIF Ratings S.r.l.</i>						
Long-term issuer rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D1S, D
Long-term issue rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, DS
Short-term issuer rating scale	IG-1		IG-2	SIG-1, SIG-2, SIG-3, SIG-4		
Short-term issue rating scale	IG-1		IG-2	SIG-1, SIG-2, SIG-3, SIG-4		
<i>Dagong Europe Credit Rating Srl</i>						
Long-term credit rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D
Short-term credit rating scale	A-1		A-2, A-3	B, C, D		
<i>DBRS Ratings</i>						
Long-term obligations rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D
Commercial paper and short-term debt rating scale	R-1 H, R-1 M	R-1 L	R-2, R-3	R-4, R-5, D		
Financial strength rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, R
<i>Egan-Jones Ratings Co.</i>						
Long-term credit rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D
Short-term credit rating scale	A-1+	A-1	A-2	A-3, B, C, D		
<i>Euler Hermes Rating GmbH</i>						
Global long-term rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, SD, D
<i>EuroRating Sp. z o.o.</i>						
Global long-term rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D
<i>Fitch Ratings</i>						
Long-term issuer default rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, RD, D
Corporate finance obligations — long-term rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C
Long-term international Insurer Financial Strength rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C

Credit quality step	1	2	3	4	5	6
Derivative counterparty rating scale	AAA dcr, AA dcr	A dcr	BBB dcr	BB dcr	B dcr	CCC dcr, CC dcr, C dcr
Short-term rating scale	F1+	F1	F2, F3	B, C, RD, D		
Short-term IFS rating scale	F1+	F1	F2, F3	B, C		
<i>GBB-Rating Gesellschaft für Bonitätsbeurteilung GmbH</i>						
Global long-term rating scale	AAA, AA		A, BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D
<i>HR Ratings de México, S.A. de C.V.</i>						
Global long-term rating scale	HR AAA(G)/HR AA(G)	HR A(G)	HR BBB(G)	HR BB(G)	HR B(G)	HR C(G)/HR D(G)
Global short-term rating scale	HR+1(G)/HR1(G)	HR2(G)	HR3(G)	HR4(G), HR5(G), HR D(G)		
<i>ICAP Group S.A</i>						
Global long-term rating scale		AA, A	BB, B	C, D	E, F	G, H
<i>INC Rating Sp. z o.o.</i>						
Long-term issuer credit rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D
<i>Japan Credit Rating Agency Ltd</i>						
Long-term issuer rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, LD, D
Long-term issue rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D
Short-term issuer rating scale	J-1+	J-1	J-2	J-3, NJ, LD, D		
Short-term issue credit rating scale	J-1+	J-1	J-2	J-3, NJ, D		
<i>Kroll Bond Rating Agency</i>						
Long-term credit rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D
Short-term credit rating scale	K1+	K1	K2, K3	B, C, D		
<i>Kroll Bond Rating Agency Europe</i>						
Long-term credit rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D
Short-term credit rating scale	K1+	K1	K2, K3	B, C, D		

Credit quality step	1	2	3	4	5	6
<i>modeFinance S.r.l.</i>						
Global long-term rating scale	A1, A2	A3	B1	B2	B3	C1, C2, C3, D
<i>Moody's Investors Service</i>						
Global long-term rating scale	Aaa, Aa	A	Baa	Ba	B	Caa, Ca, C
Global short-term rating scale	P-1	P-2	P-3	NP		
<i>QIVALIO SAS (formerly Spread Research)</i>						
Global long-term rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D
Global short-term rating scale	SR0		SR1, SR2	SR3, SR4, SR5, SRD		
<i>Rating-Agentur Expert RA GmbH</i>						
International credit rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D, E
International reliability rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D, E
<i>Scope Ratings GmbH</i>						
Long-term rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D
Short-term rating scale	S-1+	S-1	S-2	S-3, S-4		
<i>S&P Global Ratings Europe Limited</i>						
Long-term issuer credit rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, R, SD/D
Long-term issue credit rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D
Insurer financial strength rating scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, SD/D, R
Mid-Market Evaluation rating scale		MM1	MM2	MM3, MM4	MM5, MM6	MM7, MM8, MMD
Short-term issuer credit rating scale	A-1+	A-1	A-2, A-3	B, C, R, SD/D		
Short-term issue credit rating scale	A-1+	A-1	A-2, A-3	B, C, D		
<i>The Economist Intelligence Unit Ltd</i>						
Sovereign rating band scale	AAA, AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC, CC, C, D'