

POLICY AND REGULATORY NETWORK

DATE: 2 FEBRUARY 2021 (14:00 - 15:30)

LOCATION: VIDEO CONFERENCE

AGENDA

SECTION A – GENERAL

- 1. Intro/AFB Competition Law Guidance
- 2. Panel Discussion (until 15.00) Brexit Q&A Stephen Hanks (FCA), Katrina Duffy (Berenberg) and Rob Moulton (Latham & Watkins)
- 3. Overview of AFB Policy Initiatives (as at 1 February) to follow

SECTION B - ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION BY PRN MEMEBERS

4. HMT Financial Services Future Regulatory Framework Review/Phase II consultation

Updated draft AFB response to HMT Future Regulatory Framework Review - to follow

- 5. Potential Engagement with HM Treasury to provide feedback on the continuation of the servicing of clients in the EU
- 6. HMT Review of the UK Overseas Persons Regime/Next Steps (see here)

Responses to the call for evidence are due by 11 March.

- 7. PRA SMCR Review (see here)
- 8. Consideration of the impact of the CRD V rules on bonus caps

SECTION C – KEY DOCUMENTS FROM AFB POLICY WORKING GROUPS

9. FCA Consultations on Benchmark Regulation Powers/Financial Services Bill/AFB Response

The Financial Services Bill was published on 21 October – see<u>here</u>. The FCA is consulting on draft statements of policy on how it exercises its proposed powers under the FS Bill. They are the power to: (a) designate an unrepresentative benchmark under proposed <u>Article 23A</u>; and (b) require changes to a critical benchmark, including its methodology, using under proposed <u>Article 23D</u>. The LIBOR Transition working group submitted a response on 18 January (<u>here</u>) with the assistance of James Grand of Simmons & Simmons.

10. Climate Financial Risk/Engagement with PRA

Members of the Climate Financial Risk working group met with the PRA on 20 November to discuss the PRA's expectations for firms following a review/Dear CEO letter published in July 2020. A summary of discussion points together with the responses of the PRA can be found <u>here</u>.