# Legal consequences of introducing a Transaction-based Euribor

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# INTRODUCTION. INITIATIVES AND CURRENT SITUATION



- > Principles for financial benchmarks
  - ESMA-EBA Principles for Benchmark-Setting Processes in the EU
  - IOSCO Principles for Financial Benchmarks
- Enhancement of the governance of the the Euribor
- > Situation of the Panel of contributors to the Euribor
- > EU Draft Regulation of Benchmarks and Indices
- > UK reponse
  - The Wheatley Review of LIBOR
  - New regulation



#### **EURIBOR. TOWARDS A NEW INDEX**

## Feasibility of a new index based on real transactions

- Data collection exercises
- Conclusions

# Options

- Enhancement of the current Euribor
- New index based on transactions
  - Introduction of the new index
    - Big bang
    - Transitional period. Coexistence of Euribor with new index

#### **LEGAL ISSUES**



# Introduction of the new index

#### Wide range of operations

Derivatives, Capital Markets, home loans, etc

#### Risks

- Financial instability
- High-scale litigation

## **Continuity of contracts**

- Regulatory response
  - EU level
  - National level
- No regulatory response
  - Contractual provisions (fall- back provisions, substitutes for Euribor)
    - Involvement of interested parties, sponsors etc
  - Court decisions





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FOLLOW-UP WORK

