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HUMAN RESOURCES

Since the publication of the last Newsletter, the CSSF has recruited 11 new agents who were assigned to the following departments:

Supervision of Banks

Pierre AUBERTIN

Tom STEICHEN

Marine VIEGAS

General Supervision

Rachel PORTÉ

Carine VAN MULDERS-PEIFFER

Oversight of the Audit Profession

Marion LEENAERT

Supervision of Securities Markets

Jill DE MICHELE

UCI Departments

Karine ARENDT-HYARDIN

Aurélie FLAMANT

Tobias SCHELL

Michel STEICHEN

As at 10 October 2013, the CSSF counted 477 agents, 237 of whom were men and 240 were women.

NEWS

■ "FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ) CONCERNING O 1.1 REPORTING" ONLINE

The CSSF would like to bring to your attention that a document on the requirements relating to the monthly O 1.1. reporting in terms of deadlines and data quality has been published on its website.

■ THE SWISS AND LUXEMBOURG AUDIT REGULATORS HAVE SIGNED A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The Swiss Federal Audit Oversight Authority ("FAOA") and the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier ("CSSF") in Luxembourg, have signed a <u>Memorandum of Understanding</u> that sets the stage for cooperation with regard to the oversight of statutory auditors.

For the CSSF, this is the second cooperative agreement with an audit regulator outside of the European Union. Similar arrangements with other jurisdictions are under negotiation.

■ SINGLE SUPERVISORY MECHANISM ("SSM")

On 15 October 2013, the eurozone Finance Ministers adopted a regulation creating a single supervisory mechanism for the oversight of credit institutions ("SSM"). We expect the text to be published in the Official Journal of the European Union¹ and to enter into force at the beginning of November 2013. The European Central Bank ("ECB") will be responsible for the overall functioning of the SSM and will in principle assume its banking supervision responsibilities twelve months after the regulation enters into force.

The ECB will directly supervise the most significant credit institutions of the eurozone. Deciding on whether a credit institution is significant or not will be based on criteria such as its size, its importance for the economy of the EU or of a participating Member State, or the significance of its cross-border activities. As a consequence, are considered as being significant those credit institutions

- whose total value of assets exceeds EUR 30 billion; or
- whose ratio between total assets and home Member State GDP exceeds 20%, unless the total value of assets is below EUR 5 billion; or
- for which public financial assistance has been requested or received from the European Financial Stability Facility or the European Stability Mechanism.

Moreover, the ECB may consider on its own initiative that a credit institution is of a significant interest due to the fact that it established subsidiaries in more than one participating Member State and if its cross-border activities represent a significant part of its total assets or liabilities. The CSSF may also claim that an institution which is significant for the national economy be submitted to the direct supervision of the ECB. Notwithstanding the above-mentioned criteria, the ECB takes the responsibility for the supervision of the three largest banks of a participating Member State, unless particular circumstances justify an exception to this rule.

The ECB is about to adopt, in cooperation with the competent national authorities, a framework organising the practical details for the implemention of the above-mentioned assessment criteria. At this stage, the CSSF is not able to provide details on the final classification of Luxembourg banks.

Following the launch of the SSM, the ECB will have to ensure that the significant institutions have in place robust governance arrangements, processes and mechanisms, including strategies and processes for assessing and maintaining the adequacy of their internal capital. If a bank no longer meets, or is likely to breach the own funds requirements, the ECB may take early intervention actions, obliging the bank to take corrective action. Among other things, the ECB will be in charge of authorising credit institutions, enforcing the requirements in terms of acquisition of qualifying holdings, conducting investigations and imposing penalties.

As regards the supervisory missions assigned to it, the ECB will carry out all the powers formerly attributed to the CSSF. The CSSF will contribute to the SSM by providing prudential information and preparing decisions relating to the national credit institutions. Experienced CSSF agents will also take part in the various supervisory teams to be set up at ECB level, and a representative of the CSSF will sit in the supervision committee.

The banks considered as "less significant" will remain under the direct supervision of the CSSF, which will regularly report to the ECB on this subject. In this area, the ECB will also ensure compliance with the applicable prudential rules and principles.

In the context of its SSM mission, the ECB is about to launch an extensive recruitment campaign. It is expected that a certain number of CSSF supervisors will join the ECB teams to participate on-site in the ECB's prudential supervision in the new context of the SSM.

¹ Published in the meantime in the Official Journal of the European Union L 287 of 29 October 2013

SANCTIONS

SPECIALISED INVESTMENT FUNDS

In accordance with Article 51(1) of the law of 13 February 2007 relating to specialised investment funds, the CSSF imposed administrative fines on the members of the management board of the general partner, and of the board of directors respectively, of 15 investment companies, as well as on the members of the management board of the relevant management company of two *fonds communs de placement*, for non-filing of the annual financial report.

In accordance with Article 51(1) of the law of 13 February 2007 relating to specialised investment funds, the CSSF imposed administrative fines on the members of the management board of the general partner, and of the board of directors respectively, of seven investment companies, as well as on the members of the management board of the relevant management company of two *fonds communs de placement*, for non-filing of the management letter.

In accordance with Article 51(1) of the law of 13 February 2007 relating to specialised investment funds, the CSSF imposed an administrative fine on the management board of an investment company for non-filing of the information requested by the CSSF.

■ MANAGEMENT COMPANIES

In accordance with Article 148(1) of the law of 17 December 2010 relating to undertakings for collective investment, the CSSF imposed administrative fines on the members of the management board of a management company for non-filing of the annual financial report.

WARNINGS

■ WARNING ISSUED BY THE CYPRIOT SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY (CYPRUS SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION) REGARDING THE ACTIVITIES OF AN ENTITY NAMED CF INVEST LTD

The warning is published on the CSSF's website at:

http://www.cssf.lu/en/financial-consumer-protection-and-education/warnings/news-cat/116/.

■ WARNINGS ISSUED BY IOSCO

Several warnings have been published on IOSCO's website at:

http://www.iosco.org/investor_alerts/.

PRESS RELEASES

■ UPDATE OF THE DOCUMENT "FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS - SECURITISATION"

Press release 13/46 of 23 October 2013

The CSSF informs that the French version of the Frequently Asked Questions on securitisation has been updated and published on its website. The major change is a new question 19 on the impact of the law of 12 July 2013 on alternative investment fund managers on securitisation undertakings within the meaning of the law of 22 March 2004 on securitisation.

ARM ASSET BACKED SECURITIES S.A.

Press release 13/45 of 23 October 2013

The CSSF informs that on 9 October 2013 Mr Mark James Shaw and Mr Malcolm Cohen of BDO LLP were appointed as Provisional Liquidators of ARM Asset Backed Securities S.A. ("ARM") by the English Court. For further information, please refer to the Provisional Liquidators' website (www.bdo.co.uk/arm-abs-sa) where important information is and will be posted. Any bondholder who wishes to contact the Provisional Liquidators should do so by email at ARM.ABS.SA@bdo.co.uk.

The CSSF is currently assessing the implications of the appointment of the Provisional Liquidators on ARM's Luxembourg liquidation process and will keep investors' informed as appropriate.

■ SINGLE SUPERVISORY MECHANISM (SSM): ECB STARTS COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT IN ADVANCE OF SUPERVISORY ROLE

Press release 13/44 of 23 October 2013

Today, the ECB announced details of the comprehensive assessment to be conducted in preparation of assuming full responsibility for supervision as part of the single supervisory mechanism.

The list of banks subject to the assessment is also being published; the Luxembourg institutions subject to the assessment are the following:

Banque et Caisse d'Epargne de l'Etat, Luxembourg

Clearstream Banking S.A.

Precision Capital S.A. (Holding of Banque Internationale à Luxembourg and KBL European Private Bankers S.A.)

RBC Investor Services Bank S.A.

State Street Bank Luxembourg S.A.

UBS (Luxembourg) S.A.

Details on the assessment as well as on its timing are provided in the overview of the key features of the comprehensive assessment.

http://www.ecb.europa.eu/press/pr/date/2013/html/pr131023.en.html

http://www.ecb.europa.eu/pub/pdf/other/notecomprehensiveassessment201310en.pdf?f53fec887cd7d26cff99974c6929 12a2

■ PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT OF CREDIT INSTITUTIONS AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2013

Press release 13/43 of 22 October 2013

The CSSF estimates profit before provisions of the Luxembourg banking sector at EUR 4,273 million as at 30 September 2013. Compared to the same period in 2012, profit before provisions thus grew by 13%.

The results recorded by the banks in the third quarter continue the trend of the two previous quarters. The **interest-rate margin** continued on a downward trend compared to the previous year (-7.6%). This decline translates the drop in banks' balance sheets and the very low interest rates. As regards **commissions received** and **other net income**, the favourable stock market climate led to a growth of 8.4% and 157.3%, respectively. The improvement of other net income, which is very volatile, matches the growth in valuation of securities portfolios following the positive development of their market prices.

As a whole, banking sector earnings as measured by banking income grew by 7.9% over a year.

General expenses rose by 2.6% year-on-year. This increase stems from the rise in **staff costs** alone, as general administrative expenses remained unchanged. The important increase in staff costs (+5.1%) is mainly attributable to the costs linked to workforce reductions of some banks of the financial centre.

The sum of the aforementioned developments results in a 13% increase of the profit before provisions year-on-year.

Profit and loss account as at 30 September 2013

Items in million EUR	September 2012	September 2013	%
Interest-rate margin ¹	4,158	3,841	-7.6%
Commissions received	2,827	3,064	8.4%
Other net income	424	1,092	157.3%
Banking income	7,409	7,996	7.9%
Staff costs	1,935	2,034	5.1%
Other general expenses	1,694	1,689	-0.3%
General expenses	3,629	3,723	2.6%
Result before provisions	3,780	4,273	13.0%

¹ Including dividends received from subsidiaries

■ PUBLICATION OF ESMA'S "GUIDELINES ON THE REPORTING OBLIGATIONS FOR ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT FUND MANAGERS (AIFMS)"

Press release 13/42 of 8 October 2013

As announced in point 6. of our press release 13/32 dated 18 July 2013 ("PRACTICAL GUIDANCE IN RELATION TO THE REGISTRATION OR AUTHORISATION UNDER THE AIFM LAW OF AIFM ESTABLISHED IN LUXEMBOURG") the European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) has published on 1st October 2013 its final report on "Guidelines on reporting obligations under Articles 3(3)(d) and 24(1), (2) and (4) of the AIFMD".

The guidelines aim to clarify provisions of the AIFMD and its "delegated act" ("Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 231/2013 of 19 December 2012") on required information, which will help to have a more comprehensive and consistent oversight of AIFMs' activities.

As the press release reveals, ESMA has also published an Opinion that proposes to introduce additional periodic reporting including such information as Value-at-Risk of AIFs or the number of transactions carried out using high frequency algorithmic trading techniques.

In addition to the Guidelines and the Opinion, ESMA has published on its website technical documents that should help regulators and the AIFMs to transmit the requested reporting in a standardised way to national competent authorities and to ESMA.

The CSSF will soon publish a circular which will include among others the practical aspects of reporting and clarification on the information to be reported to the CSSF as well as the timing of such reporting via the reporting template foreseen by Annex IV of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 231/2013 of 19 December 2012.

All interested parties are invited to send their remarks, questions and contributions to aifm@cssf.lu.

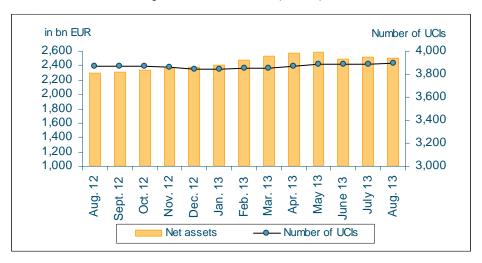
GLOBAL SITUATION OF UNDERTAKINGS FOR COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT AND SPECIALISED INVESTMENT FUNDS AT THE END OF AUGUST 2013

Press release 13/41 of 30 September 2013

I. Overall situation

As at 31 August 2013, total net assets of undertakings for collective investment and specialised investment funds reached EUR 2,498.839 billion compared to EUR 2,523.186 billion as at 31 July 2013, i.e. a 0.96% decrease over one month. Over the last twelve months, the volume of net assets increased by 8.86%.

The Luxembourg UCI industry thus registered a negative variation amounting to EUR 24.347 billion during the month of August. This decrease results from the positive net issues of EUR 0.105 billion (+0.00%) combined with the negative development in financial markets amounting to EUR 24.452 billion (-0.97%).



The number of undertakings for collective investment (UCIs) and specialised investment funds (SIFs) taken into consideration totalled 3,894 as against 3,884 in the previous month. A total of 2,514 entities have adopted an umbrella structure, which represents 12,203 sub-funds. When adding the 1,380 entities with a traditional structure to that figure, a total of 13,583 entities are active in the financial centre.

As regards, on the one hand, the impact of financial markets on Luxembourg UCIs and, on the other hand, the net capital investment in these UCIs, the following can be said about August 2013:

The various UCI categories dealt with price losses notably owing to the tensions in Syria and the threat of military action, as well as to the anticipations of an imminent reduction in bond buying by the US Federal Reserve.

The intensity of the downward trends on the equity markets was not uniform throughout the various equity UCI categories. Thus, European and US equity UCIs recorded less important decreases notably as a result of more favourable economic data. However, Asian and Latin American equity UCIs suffered more significant price losses, notably due to the depreciation of most emerging market currencies. Japanese equity UCIs also recorded a negative variation, following weaker growth of the GDP despite the "Abenomics" strategy based on an accommodating monetary policy and economic programmes aiming to stimulate the Japanese economy.

In August, equity UCI categories registered an overall positive net capital investment.

Development of equity UCIs during the month of August 2013*

	Market variation	Net issues
Global market equities	-1.08%	0.42%
European equities	-0.80%	2.88%
US equities	-1.98%	0.04%
Japanese equities	-3.59%	0.14%
Eastern European equities	-2.09%	-1.94%
Asian equities	-2.69%	-2.20%
Latin American equities	-3.32%	-4.06%
Other equities	-2.54%	-0.86%

^{*} Variation in % of Net Assets as compared to the previous month

As regards EUR-denominated bond UCIs, favourable economic data brought about a growth in the yields of high-rated public bonds. The resulting fall in prices was partly offset by an increased demand for these bonds following a growing risk aversion of investors under the threat of military action in Syria. This downward trend in the prices of high-rated government bonds had a ripple effect on private bonds, whose prices have dropped slightly. Overall, EUR-denominated bond UCIs recorded price increases during the month under review.

As regards USD-denominated bonds, the anticipated reduction of the Federal Reserve's asset purchase programme generated a rise in interest rates of US government bonds. As a result, this category of bonds suffered a fall in prices, mitigated by a growing demand for these bonds following the situation in Syria.

As far as emerging market bond UCIs are concerned, the US Federal Reserve announcing the reduction of its asset purchase programme put pressure on the prices of emerging market bonds as well as on their currencies, affecting primarily the countries that face a significant current account deficit. As a consequence, the prices of this UCI category fell.

In August, bond equity categories registered an overall slightly positive net capital investment.

Development of fixed-income UCIs during the month of August 2013*

	Market variation	Net issues
EUR money market	-0.02%	-1.38%
USD money market	0.30%	-0.26%
Global market money market	0.39%	0.03%
EUR-denominated bonds	-0.40%	-0.14%
USD-denominated bonds	-0.71%	-1.26%
Global market bonds	-0.86%	-0.05%
Emerging market bonds	-2.99%	-2.22%
High Yield bonds	-0.68%	0.52%
Others	-0.15%	0.28%

^{*} Variation in % of Net Assets as compared to the previous month

The development of net assets of diversified Luxembourg UCIs and of funds of funds is illustrated in the table below:

Diversified income UCIs and funds of funds during the month of August 2013*

	Market variation	Net issues
Diversified UCIs	-0.74%	0.02%
Funds of funds	-0.90%	0.79%

^{*} Variation in % of Net Assets as compared to the previous month

II. Breakdown of the number and the net assets of UCIs according to Parts I and II of the 2010 law and SIFs

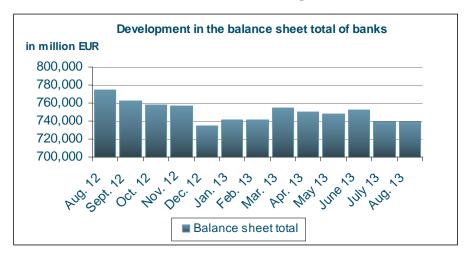
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	NUMBER	NET ASSETS (in bn €)	NUMBER	NET ASSETS (in bn €)	NUMBER	NET ASSETS (in bn €)	NUMBER	NET ASSETS (in bn €)
31/12/2007	1,653	1,646.341 €	643	295.939 €	572	117.115 €	2,868	2,059.395 €
31/01/2008	1,662	1,539.494 €	653	293.197 €	617	118.450 €	2,932	1,951.141 €
29/02/2008	1,680	1,543.385 €	654	296.900 €	638	122.560 €	2,972	1,962.845 €
31/03/2008	1,700	1,480.352 €	663	292.614 €	649	122.479 €	3,012	1,895.445 €
30/04/2008	1,733	1,541.312 €	675	296.483 €	675	126.281 €	3,083	1,964.076 €
31/05/2008	1,736	1,566.198 €	678	303.800 €	691	126.961 €	3,105	1,996.959 €
30/06/2008	1,755	1,480.895 €	682	292.539 €	716	128.658 €	3,153	1,902.092 €
31/07/2008	1,784	1,471.973 €	688	292.279 €	748	132.105 €	3,220	1,896.357 €
31/08/2008	1,817	1,487.918 €	695	293.025 €	772	137.050 €	3,284	1,917.993 €
30/09/2008	1,827	1,375.104 €	699	285.360 €	796	136.232 €	3,322	1,796.696 €
31/10/2008	1,845	1,243.344 €	701	270.891 €	805	132.793 €	3,351	1,647.028 €
30/11/2008	1,840	1,206.535 €	709	265.744 €	815	131.958 €	3,364	1,604.237 €
31/12/2008	1,826	1,169.389 €	708	259.809 €	837	130.455 €	3,371	1,559.653 €
31/01/2009	1,837	1,183.116 €	710	252.878 €	851	135.540 €	3,398	1,571.534 €
28/02/2009	1,838	1,149.100 €	709	246.367 €	855	134.824 €	3,402	1,530.291 €
31/03/2009	1,840	1,154.891 €	698	240.229 €	858	131.443 €	3,396	1,526.563 €
30/04/2009	1,847	1,213.147 €	697	240.906 €	871	138.879 €	3,415	1,592.932 €
31/05/2009	1,849	1,243.508 €	693	235.626 €	883	140.135 €	3,425	1,619.269 €
30/06/2009	1,846	1,255.762 €	691	232.770 €	898	142.724 €	3,435	1,631.256 €
31/07/2009	1,848	1,327.841 €	684	234.610 €	906	143.579 €	3,438	1,706.030 €
31/08/2009	1,851	1,360.316 €	678	232.282 €	920	146.819 €	3,449	1,739.417 €
30/09/2009	1,849	1,394.016 €	670	229.669 €	938	150.149 €	3,457	1,773.834 €
31/10/2009	1,844	1,399.816 €	664	227.254 €	946	150.458 €	3,454	1,777.528 €
30/11/2009	1,858	1,415.274 €	651	221.603 €	964	152.033 €	3,473	1,788.910 €
31/12/2009	1,843	1,465.743 €	649	221.203 €	971	154.047 €	3,463	1,840.993 €
31/01/2010	1,842	1,477.013 €	649	220.250 €	989	163.425 €	3,480	1,860.688 €
28/02/2010	1,843	1,511.384 €	646	221.532 €	1,009	165.018 €	3,498	1,897.934 €
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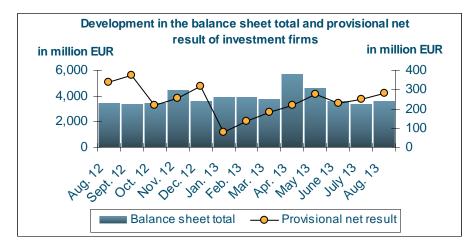
BANKS

Increase in the banks' balance sheet total as at 31 August 2013



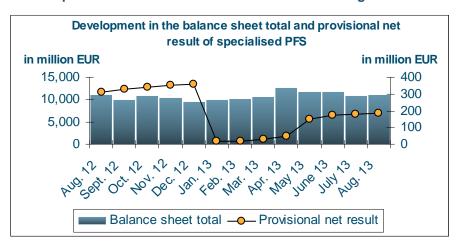
■ INVESTMENT FIRMS

Increase in the investment firms' balance sheet total as at 31 August 2013



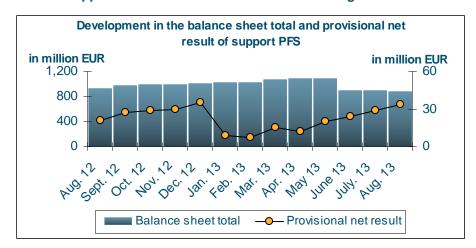
SPECIALISED PFS

Increase in the specialised PFS' balance sheet total as at 31 August 2013



SUPPORT PFS

Decrease in the support PFS' balance sheet total as at 31 August 2013



SICARS

Since the publication of the last Newsletter, the following **SICAR** has been registered on the official list of SICARs governed by the law of 15 June 2004 relating to investment companies in risk capital (SICAR):

- AUGUST S.C.A., SICAR, 1, rue Joseph Hackin, L-1746 Luxembourg

As at 7 October 2013, the number of SICARs registered on the official list amounted to 279 entities.

■ PENSION FUNDS AND SECURITISATION UNDERTAKINGS

As at 11 October 2013, **14 pension funds** in the form of pension savings companies with variable capital (sepcav) and pension savings associations (assep) were registered on the official list of pension funds subject to the law of 13 July 2005.

On the same date, the number of professionals authorised to act as **liability managers** for pension funds subject to the law of 13 July 2005 amounted to **15**.

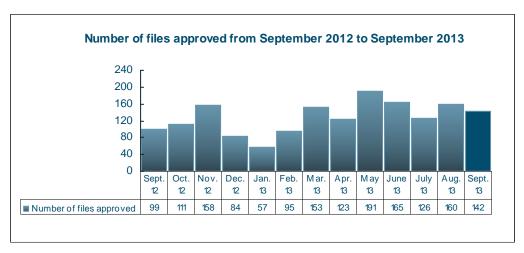
The number of **securitisation undertakings** authorised by the CSSF in accordance with the law of 22 March 2004 on securitisation amounted to **30** entities as at 14 October 2013.

■ PUBLIC OVERSIGHT OF THE AUDIT PROFESSION

The public oversight of the audit profession covered 71 *cabinets de révision agréés* (approved audit firms) and 229 *réviseurs d'entreprises agréés* (approved statutory auditors) as at 30 September 2013. The oversight also includes 52 third-country auditors and audit firms duly registered in accordance with the law of 18 December 2009 concerning the audit profession.

■ PROSPECTUSES FOR SECURITIES IN THE EVENT OF AN OFFER TO THE PUBLIC OR ADMISSION TO TRADING ON A REGULATED MARKET (PART II AND PART III, CHAPTER 1 OF THE LAW ON PROSPECTUSES FOR SECURITIES)

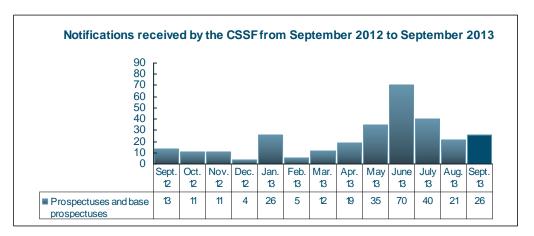
1. CSSF approvals



In September 2013, the CSSF approved a total of 142 documents pursuant to the Prospectus Law, which break down as follows:

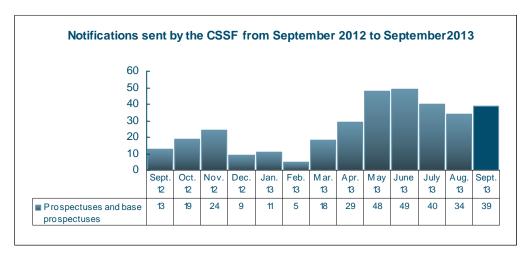
base prospectuses:	19	(13.38 %)
other prospectuses:	43	(30.28 %)
supplements:	80	(56.34 %)

2. Notifications received by the CSSF from the competent authorities of other EEA Member States



In September 2013, the CSSF received 26 notifications relating to prospectuses and base prospectuses and 85 notifications relating to supplements from the competent authorities of other EEA Member States.

3. Notifications sent by the CSSF to the competent authorities of other EEA Member States



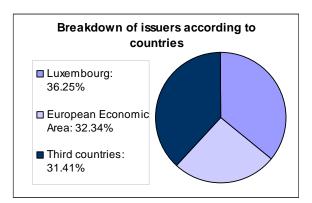
In September 2013, the CSSF sent 39 notifications relating to prospectuses and base prospectuses and 49 notifications relating to supplements to the competent authorities of other EEA Member States².

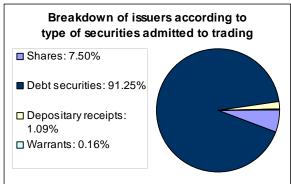
² These figures are the number of prospectuses, base prospectuses and supplements for which the CSSF sent one or several notifications. Where notifications have been sent at different dates and/or in several Member States, only the first notification is included in the statistical calculations. Each document notified in one or several Member States is thus only counted once.

■ ISSUERS OF SECURITIES WHOSE HOME MEMBER STATE IS LUXEMBOURG PURSUANT TO THE LAW OF 11 JANUARY 2008 ON TRANSPARENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR ISSUERS OF SECURITIES (THE "TRANSPARENCY LAW")

Since 12 September 2013, four issuers have chosen Luxembourg as home Member State for the purposes of the Transparency Law. Moreover, five issuers were deregistered from the list due to the fact that they do no longer fall within the scope of the Transparency Law.

As at 3 October 2013, 640 issuers, subject to the supervision of the CSSF, were included in the list of issuers whose home Member State is Luxembourg pursuant to the Transparency Law.





OFFICIAL LISTS

■ LIST OF BANKS

Registrations:

CHINA CONSTRUCTION BANK CORPORATION, LUXEMBOURG BRANCH

1, Boulevard Royal, L-2449 Luxembourg

HAUCK & AUFHÄUSER PRIVATBANKIERS KGAA, NIEDERLASSUNG LUXEMBURG

23, avenue de la Liberté, L-1931 Luxembourg

SOCIÉTÉ GÉNÉRALE FINANCING AND DISTRIBUTION

33, boulevard du Prince Henri, L-1724 Luxembourg

Deregistration:

HAUCK & AUFHÄUSER BANQUIERS LUXEMBOURG S.A.

23, avenue de la Liberté, L-1931 Luxembourg

Changes of address:

BANQUE RAIFFEISEN

4, rue Léon Laval, L-3372 Leudelange

STANDARD CHARTERED BANK LUXEMBOURG BRANCH

26/28, rue Edward Steichen, L-2540 Luxembourg

■ LIST OF FINANCIAL HOLDING COMPANIES

Deregistration:

RBC INVESTOR SERVICES LIMITED

14, Porte de France, L-4360 Esch-sur-Alzette Voluntary liquidation as from 4 October 2013

■ LIST OF PROFESSIONALS OF THE FINANCIAL SECTOR (PFS)

Registrations:

REAL SOLUTIONS S.A.

33, rue d'Eich, L-1461 Luxembourg Status: secondary IT systems and communication networks operator of the financial sector Ministerial authorisation of 16 September 2013

SIMAC PROFESSIONAL S.A.

3, rue Pierre Schuetz, L-4946 Bascharage Status: secondary IT systems and communication networks operator of the financial sector Ministerial authorisation of 31 July 2013

Changes of status:

NETCORE PSF S.A.

49, rue Baerendall, L-8012 Mamer Additional status: primary IT systems operator of the financial sector

QUILVEST LUXEMBOURG SERVICES S.A.

3, boulevard Royal, L-2449 Luxembourg

Additional statuses: domiciliation agent of companies and professional performing services of setting-up and of management of companies

Changes of address:

CENTRALIS S.A.

8-10, avenue de la Gare, L-1610 Luxembourg

INTERINVEST S.A.

European Bank and Business Center – Bâtiment B 6B, route de Trèves, L-2633 Senningerberg

MERRILL LYNCH EQUITY S.A R.L.

Atrium Business Park 33, rue du Puits Romain, L-8070 Bertrange

PRAXIS LUXEMBOURG S.A.

55, avenue Pasteur, L-2311 Luxembourg

SS&C GLOBEOP (LUXEMBOURG) S.A R.L.

26-28, rue Edward Steichen, L-2540 Luxembourg

T-SYSTEMS LUXEMBOURG S.A.

22, rue Gabriel Lippmann, L-5365 Munsbach

Change of activities and address:

BELADOR ADVISORS UK LIMITED LUXEMBOURG BRANCH

26, rue Edward Steichen, 2nd floor, L-2540 Luxembourg Investment service carried out: investment advice

■ LIST OF UNDERTAKINGS FOR COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT (UCI) AND SPECIALISED INVESTMENT FUNDS (SIF)

Registrations:

During the month under review, the following 30 undertakings for collective investment and specialised investment funds have been registered on the official list:

■ UCIs Part I 2010 Law:

2CG FUNDS

2, boulevard de la Foire, L-1528 Luxembourg

BERENBERG GLOBAL EQUITY SELECTION PROTECT

18-20, rue Gabriel Lippmann, L-5365 Munsbach

BKC-FONDS

18-20, rue Gabriel Lippmann, L-5365 Munsbach

CAIXABANK GLOBAL SICAV

33, rue de Gasperich, L-5826 Hesperange

ELIGO FUND

4, rue Peternelchen, L-2370 Howald

FRAMAS-TREUHAND

4, rue Thomas Edison, L-1445 Luxembourg-Strassen

KAPITAL ERTRAG GLOBAL

15, rue de Flaxweiler, L-6776 Grevenmacher

MORA FUNDS SICAV

11, rue Aldringen, L-1118 Luxembourg

STARS

2, rue Gabriel Lippmann, L-5365 Munsbach

STRATTON STREET UCITS

2-8, avenue Charles de Gaulle, L-1653 Luxembourg

SÜDINVEST GLOBAL STRATEGY

8-10, rue Jean Monnet, L-2180 Luxembourg

UNIGARANT95: AKTIEN WELT (2020)

308, route d'Esch, L-1471 Luxembourg

■ UCIs Part II 2010 Law:

CRONOS FINANCE FUND

1, place de Metz, L-1930 Luxembourg

DB FUNDS

4, rue Jean Monnet, L-2180 Luxembourg

■ SIFs:

AKUO INVESTMENT S.C.A. SICAV-SIF II

25A, boulevard Royal, L-2449 Luxembourg

ALTIUS REAL ASSETS FUND S.C.A., SICAV-SIF

20, boulevard Emmanuel Servais, L-2535 Luxembourg

AQR LUX FUNDS

49, avenue J-F Kennedy, L-1855 Luxembourg

CLEARSIGHT TURNAROUND FUND III (SCA) SICAV-SIF

6, rue Gabriel Lippmann, L-5365 Munsbach

DEGROOF PHENIX INSTITUTIONAL FUND

12, rue Eugène Ruppert, L-2453 Luxembourg

ESO SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES FUND II FCP SIF

51, avenue J-F Kennedy, L-1855 Luxembourg

EUROPEAN CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND

5, allée Scheffer, L-2520 Luxembourg

FIDUS OPPORTUNITIES FUND, SCA-SICAV-SIF

5, Heienhaff, L-1736 Senningerberg

GOLDING ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS SICAV-FIS II

43, avenue J-F Kennedy, L-1855 Luxembourg

GOLDING ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS SICAV-FIS

43, avenue J-F Kennedy, L-1855 Luxembourg

GOLDING PRIVATE DEBT SICAV-FIS VIII

43, avenue J-F Kennedy, L-1855 Luxembourg

SCHLUMBERGER INTERNATIONAL STAFF RETIREMENT FUND, FCP-SIF

2, rue Albert Borschette, L-1246 Luxembourg

SCM INFRASTRUCTURE SELECT

47, avenue J-F Kennedy, L-1855 Luxembourg

SEB PRIVATE EQUITY OPPORTUNITY FUND III S.C.A. SICAV-SIF

4, rue Peternelchen, L-2370 Howald

SOLVENTA SICAV-SIF S.C.A.

2, place Dargent, L-1413 Luxembourg

THE FINE ART FUND S.C.A., SICAV-SIF

20, boulevard Emmanuel Servais, L-2535 Luxembourg

UBP DEDICATED SICAV-SIF

287-289, route d'Arlon, L-1150 Luxembourg

Deregistrations:

The following 20 undertakings for collective investment and specialised investment funds have been deregistered from the official list during the month under review:

■ UCIs Part I 2010 Law:

ACT II CAPITAL

5, allée Scheffer, L-2520 Luxembourg

ASSENAGON TREND

1B, Heienhaff, L-1736 Senningerberg

DWS BOND FLEXIBLE

2, boulevard Konrad Adenauer, L-1115 Luxembourg

FIXED INCOME FLEXIBLE

2, boulevard Konrad Adenauer, L-1115 Luxembourg

FT PROTECTED GROWTH FUND

534, rue de Neudorf, L-2220 Luxembourg

H2FONDS

5, Heienhaff, L-1736 Senningerberg

HV FONDS

21, avenue de la Liberté, L-1931 Luxembourg

MAHRBERG FUND

5, Heienhaff, L-1736 Senningerberg

RECORD FUND

3, rue Jean Piret, L-2350 Luxembourg

RM SPECIAL SITUATIONS TOTAL RETURN I

8, rue Lou Hemmer, L-1748 Findel-Golf

RPM FCP

5, Heienhaff, L-1736 Senningerberg

SEB STRATEGY AGGRESSIVE FUND

4, rue Peternelchen, L-2370 Howald

VONTOBEL SICAV

69, route d'Esch, L-1470 Luxembourg

■ UCIs Part II 2010 Law:

EURIZON ALTERNATIVE FUND

8, avenue de la Liberté, L-1930 Luxembourg

MT WEALTH MANAGEMENT PRIVATE FUND

287-289, route d'Arlon, L-1150 Luxembourg

■ SIFs:

DWS RUSSIA AGGREGATE BOND FUND

2, boulevard Konrad Adenauer, L-1115 Luxembourg

DWS RUSSIA CIS EQUITY FUND

2, boulevard Konrad Adenauer, L-1115 Luxembourg

LIBRARY ART FUND

15, rue Edward Steichen, L-2540 Luxembourg

NB GREATER CHINA EQUITY FUND

287-289, route d'Arlon, L-1150 Luxembourg

VH CAPITAL S.C.A., SICAV-FIS

2, boulevard de la Foire, L-1528 Luxembourg

■ LIST OF MANAGEMENT COMPANIES AUTHORISED ACCORDING TO CHAPTER 15 OF THE LAW OF 17 DECEMBER 2010

Management companies whose authorisation exclusively covers the activity of collective management according to Article 101(2) of the law of 17 December 2010 relating to UCIs.

Registration:

* PIMCO GLOBAL ADVISORS (LUXEMBOURG) S.A.

2-8, avenue Charles de Gaulle, L-1653 Luxembourg

Deregistration:

PRIMA MANAGEMENT AG

4, rue Thomas Edison, L-1445 Luxembourg

Changes of denomination:

ALKEN LUXEMBOURG S.A R.L. changed its name into **ALKEN LUXEMBOURG S.A.**

POLARIS INVESTMENT S.A. changed its name into **QUAESTIO INVESTMENTS S.A.**

Changes of address:

ALMA CAPITAL INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

6B, route de Trèves, L-2633 Senningerberg

ANIMA MANAGEMENT COMPANY S.A.

8, avenue de la Liberté, L-1930 Luxembourg

GS&P KAPITALANLAGEGESELLSCHAFT S.A.

44, Esplanade de la Moselle, L-6637 Wasserbillig

■ LIST OF MANAGEMENT COMPANIES AUTHORISED ACCORDING TO CHAPTER 16 OF THE LAW OF 17 DECEMBER 2010

Deregistration:

* PIMCO GLOBAL ADVISORS (LUXEMBOURG) S.A.

2-8, avenue Charles de Gaulles, L-1653 Luxembourg

Changes of address:

CINVEN MANCO S.A R.L.

7, rue Lou Hemmer, L-1748 Findel-Golf

MAIN SOURCE S.A.

9, rue Schiller, L-2519 Luxembourg

■ LIST OF ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT FUND MANAGERS AUTHORISED ACCORDING TO CHAPTER 2 OF THE LAW OF 12 JULY 2013

Registration:

PIONEER ASSET MANAGEMENT S.A.

8-10, rue Jean Monnet, L-2180 Luxembourg

■ LIST OF SICARS

Registration:

AUGUST S.C.A., SICAR

1, rue Joseph Hackin, L-1746 Luxembourg

Changes of address:

CATALYST ROMANIA S.C.A. SICAR

7, rue Lou Hemmer, L-1748 Findel

ELIKONOS JEREMIE S.C.A. SICAR

7, rue Lou Hemmer, L-1748 Findel

PARTNERS GROUP EUROPEAN MEZZANINE 2005 S.C.A., SICAR

55, avenue de la Gare, L-1611 Luxembourg

PARTNERS GROUP EUROPEAN MEZZANINE 2008 S.C.A., SICAR

55, avenue de la Gare, L-1611 Luxembourg

PARTNERS GROUP GLOBAL MEZZANINE 2005 S.C.A., SICAR

55, avenue de la Gare, L-1611 Luxembourg

PARTNERS GROUP GLOBAL MEZZANINE 2007 S.C.A., SICAR

55, avenue de la Gare, L-1611 Luxembourg

PARTNERS GROUP GLOBAL VALUE 2008 S.C.A., SICAR

55, avenue de la Gare, L-1611 Luxembourg

RB INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND I S.C.A. SICAR

5, Heienhaff, L-1736 Senningerberg

^{*} the management company submitted itself to the provisions of Article 101 of Chapter 15 of the law of 17 December 2010

■ LIST OF ISSUERS OF SECURITIES FOR WHICH LUXEMBOURG IS THE HOME MEMBER STATE PURSUANT TO THE TRANSPARENCY LAW

Registrations:

NAME COUNTRY OF INCORPORATION

ENI Finance International S.A.

ORES SCRL

NC International Limited

Belgium

Cayman Islands

Watercraft Capital S.A. Luxembourg

Deregistrations:

NAME COUNTRY OF INCORPORATION

Consum.IT Securitisation S.R.L. Italy

Fundamental European Value S.A. Luxembourg

Mantegna Finance II S.R.L. Italy

Melchior CDO I S.A. Luxembourg
Red Electrica de España Finance B.V. Netherlands
SC Germany Consumer 11-1 Limited Ireland

SPARC III Limited Cayman Islands

Stade Finance a.r.l.

Ursa Mortgage Finance S.A.

Whitney Private Debt Fund

Zermatt CBO Limited

Luxembourg

United States

Cayman Islands

FINANCIAL CENTRE

Main updated figures regarding the financial centre:

			Annual comparison
Banks	Number (09/10/2013)	146	→ 4 entities
	Balance sheet total (31/08/2013)	EUR 738.499 bn	ע EUR 36.08 bn
	Profit before provisions (30/06/2013)	EUR 2.89 bn	ע EUR 0.34 bn
Payment institutions	Number (10/10/2013)	5 of which 1 branch	no variation
Electronic money institutions	Number (10/10/2013)	5	→ 2 entities
UCIs	Number (16/10/2013)	Part I 2010 law: 1,809	ע 17 entities
		Part II 2010 law: 532	≥ 34 entities
		SIFs: 1,542	
		TOTAL: 3,883	→ 18 entities
	Total net assets (31/08/2013)	EUR 2,498.839 bn	⊅ EUR 203.44 bn
Management companies	Number (30/09/2013)	Chapter 15 of 2010 law: 191	7 10 entities ■ Telephone ■ T
		Chapter 16 of 2010 law: 196	y 4 entities
AIFMs	Number (10/10/2013)	3	n/a
SICARs	Number (07/10/2013)	279	オ 1 entity
Pension funds	Number (11/10/2013)	14	ע 1 entity
Authorised securitisation undertakings	Number (14/10/2013)	30	☑ 2 entities
Investment firms	Number (11/10/2013)	112 of which 11 branches	ע 3 entities
	Balance sheet total (31/08/2013)	EUR 3.561 bn	⊅ EUR 0.152 bn
	Provisional net profit (31/08/2013)	EUR 282.420 m	ע EUR 55.66 m
Specialised PFS	Number (11/10/2013)	125	→ 4 entities
	Balance sheet total (31/08/2013)	EUR 10.863 bn	ע EUR 23 m
	Provisional net profit (31/08/2013)	EUR 185.112 m	ע EUR 126.675 m
Support PFS	Number (11/10/2013)	83	ע 3 entities
	Balance sheet total (31/08/2013)	EUR 885.213 m	ע EUR 48.70 m
	Provisional net profit (31/08/2013)	EUR 34.85 m	⊅ EUR 12.89 m
Issuers of securities for which Luxembourg is the home Member State pursuant to the Transparency Law	Number (03/10/2013)	640	ע 38 entities
Public oversight of the audit profession	Number (30/09/2013)	71 authorised audit firms	→ 2 entities
		229 réviseurs d'entreprises agréés	
		52 third-country auditors and audit firms	☑ 1 entity
Employment (30/06/2013)	Banks	26,382 people	≥ 296 people
	Management companies (Chapter 15)	2,861 people	→ 186 people
	Investment firms	2,663 people	
	Specialised PFS	3,113 people	צו 311 people
	Support PFS	9,063 people	⊔ 159 people
	Total	44,082 people	≥ 87 people *

^{*} This development does not mean a net creation or loss of jobs, but includes the transfer of existing jobs from the non-financial sector to the financial sector and vice versa.