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<u>Update on BENCH registers from 3</u> <u>January 2018</u>

The European Securities and Market Authority (ESMA) will publish a register of administrators and third country benchmarks, in accordance with Article 36 of the Benchmarks Regulation. ESMA will start publishing this list of Administrators and third country benchmarks as of 3 January 2018 (ESMA's first working day of 2018).

ESMA is currently working on a new release of this register. Therefore, until the new register release is fully available as an IT functionality on our website, ESMA will provide an interim solution which involves it publishing, on a daily basis (ESMA working days), the latest registers information in csv format (<u>list of benchmarks attributes</u>) which will be available for download.

The list will be published starting from 3 January 2018 and until Q3 2018 when the register interface will be available.

The following files will be made available on a daily basis in csv format:

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Tracy Brabin comments on inclusion of foster children in 30 hours childcare policy

Today,

Minister for Children and Families, Robert Goodwill bowed to campaigning pressure and committed to including foster children in the 30 hours offer from

September 2018.

Labour

MP Tracy Brabin has been campaigning against the unfair exclusion of foster children from the flagship government policy.

Tracy

Brabin, Shadow Early Years Minister,

commenting on the policy concession, said:

"The

exclusion of foster children from the 30 hours policy was clearly cruel and wrong to everyone apart from Conservative Ministers.

"I'm

glad those Ministers have adopted Labour's position and committed to include foster children from next year. It's clear they wouldn't have taken this step if it wasn't for the pressure they faced from us, from foster parents, and from

all others who cared about righting this wrong.

"Foster

children are some of the most vulnerable in our society and it'll be welcome news to foster carers that they'll now have the same right to access funded childcare

as their peers."

<u>Government favours tax dodgers over</u> <u>tax payers - Peter Dowd</u>

Peter Dowd MP, Labour's Shadow Chief Secretary to the Treasury responding to the Government voting down Labour's amendments to the Finance Bill:

"This Conservative Government has

once again demonstrated that it favours tax dodgers over tax payers, bankers over single mothers and large multinationals over public sector workers.

"This evening's votes saw the

Government block Labour's amendments which would have required the Minister to

publish an equalities impact assessment on all economic policies and forced ministers to review the tax gap.

"The next Labour Government is

committed to ensuring that all our policies have equality impact assessments, and we will implement thorough measures to crack down on tax dodging under our

Tax Transparency and Enforcement Programme. Unlike the Conservatives, we will create a country and an economy that works for the many and not just a privileged few."