ESMA PROPOSES TO FURTHER POSTPONE CSDR SETTLEMENT DISCIPLINE

This postponement is due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the implementation of regulatory projects and IT deliveries by Central Securities Depositaries and a wide range of market participants and follows a request from the European Commission (EC).

The measure is additional to the <u>Commission Delegated Regulation (EU)</u> 2020/1212, based on ESMA's <u>proposal</u> to amend the RTS on settlement discipline to postpone its date of entry into force from 13 September 2020 to 1 February 2021.

The RTS on settlement discipline cover measures to prevent and address settlement fails including:

- rules for the trade allocation and confirmation process;
- cash penalties on failed transactions;
- mandatory buy-ins; and
- monitoring and reporting of settlement fails.

Next steps

Following the endorsement of the RTS by the EC, the Delegated Regulation will then be subject to the non-objection of the European Parliament and of the Council.