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<u>Weekly schedule of President Charles</u> Michel

Saturday 11 January 2020

Istanbul (local time)

14.30 Meeting with President of the Republic of Turkey Recep Tayyip Erdoğan

Sunday 12 January 2020

Cairo (local time)

09.00 Meeting with President of Egypt Abdel Fattah al-Sissi

Brussels

18.00 Meeting with Chancellor of Austria Sebastian Kurz Joint press conference following the meeting (Access for press via Europa building from 17.00)

Monday 13 January 2020

G5 Sahel meeting — Pau, France

20.15 Working dinner with President of France Emmanuel Macron and African Leaders

Tuesday 14 January 2020

10.30 Meeting with King of Jordan Abdullah II

Wednesday 15 January 2020

14.30 Meeting with the President of the European Investment Bank Werner Hoyer 16.00 Presentation of letters of credentials

Friday 17 January 2020

11.00 Meeting with the President of the European Court of Auditors Klaus-Heiner Lehne

ESMA starts publishing questions received through its Q& A process

This publication comes in the context of the entry into force of the revised ESMA Regulation (OJ, 27.12.2019) including its new provisions applicable to Q&As (New Article 16b), which require ESMA to set up a web-based tool to facilitate the submission of questions and the publication of questions received as well as answers to admissible questions.

ESMA welcomes the new requirements which will ensure additional interaction with stakeholders regarding Q&As and which will also further strengthen and increase supervisory convergence in the EU. ESMA is committed to implementing this web-based tool and is working on developing the necessary IT infrastructure. The roll-out of the IT infrastructure will be done on a phased basis and during the course of the year. Pending the full implementation of this web-based tool, stakeholders can continue submitting questions to ESMA through the Q&A webpage of the ESMA website (here).

In terms of next steps, ESMA has started publishing, in advance, on its website the following questions:

- questions for which a Q&A will be submitted for approval at the next ESMA Board of Supervisors meeting;
- rejected questions, i.e. questions that were tabled for discussions in an ESMA Standing Committee and to which ESMA does not intend to provide an answer; and
- questions forwarded to the Commission.

The questions are published within a spreadsheet available on the Q&A webpage of the ESMA website (here). ESMA will update the spreadsheet every Friday afternoon (when updates are necessary).

ESMA Q& As - list of questions currently under development

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