

Hellenic Capital Market Commission

# Financing through Regulated Markets

Green Liquid Fuels IENE 2021

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The Hellenic Capital Market Commission authorises and supervises

regulated markets in Greece, investment firms and market infrastructures,

all in relation to **financial instruments**.

HCMC supervises "listed" companies, i.e. companies with listed securities.

**European Financial Services Regulatory Process** 

Lamfalussy architecture 2001. Modified in 2009 after the financial crisis. Current status:

Level 1 – EP & Council adopt basic laws proposed by the Commission

Level 2 – Commission adopts delegated and implementing acts

Level 3 – EBA (Banking) ESMA (Securities) EIOPA (Insurance)

- Action Plan -> Efficient use of resources, clean, circular economy, biodiversity, cut pollution
- European Green Deal Investment Plan
  EUR 260 billion /yr up to 2030
- How?
  - EUR 1 trillion through EU budget
  - Framework for investors and public sector
    - EU Taxonomy

- SFDR applicable March 2021
  - Investment Management industry
- Taxonomy Regulation
  - An investment has to contribute to:
    - Climate change mitigation or adaption
    - Sustainable use and protection of water and marine resources
    - Transition to circular economy
    - Pollution prevention and control
    - Protection and restoration of biodiversity and ecosystems
  - DNSH principle

#### 18 Months of Prospectus Regulation

The objective was to have :

- Easier access to Capital Markets
- Lower costs, while
- Maintaining effective levels of investor protection

The **equity** and **debt** prospectuses are working well with the new prospectus regime.

Risk factors: limited number, materiality assessment

Recovery Prospectus (COVID-19)

- Among 2021 Key Initiatives
- Target: 30% of EUR750 billion NextGenerationEU
- Commission consultation 12/6-2/10/20 on TEG
- 19/10/20 Commission -> Commission Work Programme 2021
- ESMA
  - External reviewers -> rigorous assessments
  - Formal EU registration and supervision regime for external reviewers
  - EU Taxonomy

- Greek Regulated market is increasingly appealing
- Low interest rates / Fewer covenants
- Faster procedures for prospectus' approval
- New HCMC Decisions
  - Electronic submission
  - Flexible distribution rules
  - English language

#### Corporate Governance for Firms with Listed Securities

- Law 4706/2020. Key aspects:
  - Suitability Policy
  - Independent BoD members
    - President, Vice-President
  - Audit, Remuneration, Nomination Committees
  - Internal Control System
  - Corporate Governance Code
  - Gender Representation

## **Thank You**

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