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Update on changes to Wave 3 consultations papers

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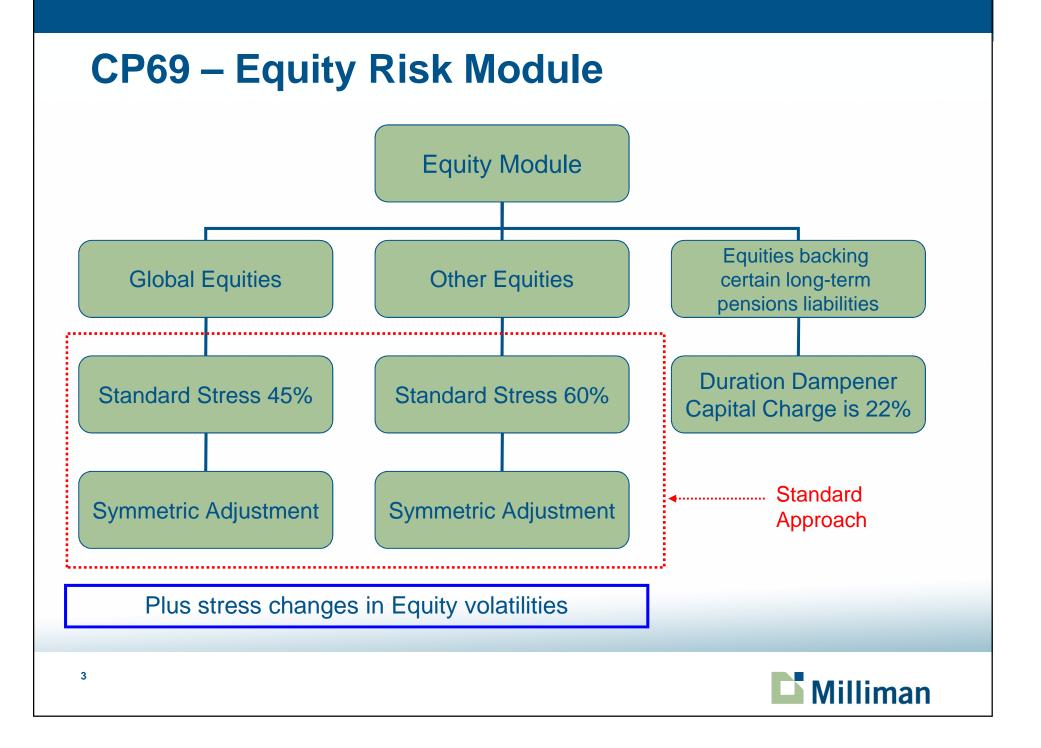




Agenda

- Calibration of the Equity Risk module update to CP69
- Calibration of the Market Risk module update to CP70
- Correlations between Modules Update to CP74
- Brief Update on current status





Global and Other

Global Equities

- Must be listed in either an EEA country or an OECD country
- Standard stress is 45% (no change from CP69)
- Some CEIOPS members propose 39%, but majority favour 45% (one wants to stay with 32%)

Other Equities

- Standard stress is 55% (compares with 60% in CP69)
- No change to Symmetric Adjustment i.e. ±10% based on one year performance



Equity Volatility

CP69 Recommendation:

- A relative volatility stress of around 60% in the upward direction and around 15% in the downward direction
- Same calibration to apply for global and other

Final Advice:

- A relative volatility stress of 50% in the upward direction and 15% in the downward direction
- Same calibration to apply for global and other
- Undertakings may assume correlation coefficient of 0.75 between equity level and upward equity volatility and 0 between equity level and downward equity volatility



Interest rate risk stresses

Maturity	C	P70	Final Advice		
in years	Up	Down	Up	Down	
1	94%	-87%	70%	-75%	
2	85%	-73%	70%	-65%	
3	78%	-63%	64%	-56%	
4	70%	-56%	59%	-50%	
5	64%	-50%	55%	-46%	
10	51%	-34%	42%	-31%	
15	44%	-34%	33%	-27%	
20	40%	-33%	26%	-29%	
25	37%	-49%	26%	-30%	
30	37%	-49%	25%	-30%	

- Substantial reduction in stress levels from CP70.
- Particularly high reduction at longer durations.
- Revised stresses are below the levels in QIS4 at many durations and equal in others.



Interest Rate Volatility

CP70 proposed

- Relative upwards volatility shock of +95%
- Relative downwards volatility shock of -20%

Final Advice

- Additive stress of +12% or -3% as appropriate
- Avoids very high stresses when volatility is already high
- Correlation between interest rate term structure and volatility set to zero



Property risk

	Final Advice	CP70	
City Offices, Retail, Warehouse	25%	30%	
Offices other than City Offices	25%	25%	
All other Property	25%	25%	

• No longer a requirement to consider each category of property separately.



Spread risk

Changes to the groupings of years and number of rating categories

Substantial reductions to the charges though still above QIS4

F(ratingdist, tenure)	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	В	CCC or lower	Unrated
0-1.9 years	0.8%	1.6%	4.7%	8.1%	20.9%	41.5%	65.9%	9.7%
2-3.9 years	1.6%	3.1%	8.1%	14.7%	34.1%	59.7%	83.3%	17.6%
4-5.9 years	2.3%	5.0%	10.9%	20.2%	43.0%	68.2%	88.4%	24.2%
6-7.9 years	3.5%	7.4%	14.0%	25.2%	50.4%	73.3%	90.7%	30.2%
8+ years	4.7%	9.7%	17.1%	30.2%	56.2%	77.1%	91.9%	36.2%



CP 74 – Correlation Factors - Market Risk

- A number of the correlations have reduced
- Bi-directional parameters for some risks if exposed to a fall use the higher parameter, if exposed to a rise use the lower

CP74 (QIS4)	interest rate	equity	property	spread	currency	concentration
interest rate	1					
Equity	0.5/0 (0.5)	1				
Property	0.5/0(0.5)	0.5(0.75)	1			
Spread	0.5/0 (0.5)	0.5(0.75)	0.5 (0.75)	1		
currency	0.5 (0.5)	0.5 (0.5)	0.5 (0.5)	0.5 (0.5)	1	
concentration	0.5 (0.75)	0.5 (0.5)	0.5 (0.75)	0.5 (0.5)	0.5 (0,5)	1

 Reductions in the correlation parameters and the Bi-directional factors should lead to a reduction in capital needs



CP69, CP70, CP74

- Overall some scaling back of increases introduced in the Consultation papers
 - Small reduction in impact of equity market risk
 - Change to impact of equity market volatility
 - Substantial change to interest rate shocks and to volatility
 - Marginal change to property stress
 - Very significant changes to Spread Risk
 - Significant changes to market and life correlation matrices
- Capital still higher than QIS4 but lower than implied by consultation papers



Solvency II timetable

2010

2011

January: CEIOPS finalised advice to the Commission.

Q1: Commission hosts public hearing on Solvency II.

Follow-up work on key issues such as illiquidity premium

March: CEIOPS provides Commission with draft QIS5 technical specification.

Internal model pre-application process.

August-November: QIS5.

October/November: Commission adopts implementing measures. **Q1/2:** CEIOPS publishes draft Level 3 supervisory guidelines.

April: CEIOPS publishes QIS5 report.

Q3/Q4: Internal model review/approval process.

December: CEIOPS publishes final Level 3 supervisory guidelines, including impact analysis.

Level 2 implementing measures in place.

2012

Member states transpose Solvency II into national laws.

Solvency II comes into force at start of 2013



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