

Luxembourg, 5 August 2016

To all credit institutions and investment firms incorporated under Luxembourg law, to the Luxembourg branches of non-EU credit institutions and investment firms, as well as to UCITS management companies and to alternative investment fund managers whose authorisation includes the management of portfolios on a discretionary, client-by-client basis

CIRCULAR-LETTER

Re: Information regarding your membership in the Système d'indemnisation des investisseurs Luxembourg ("SIIL").

Dear Sir or Madam,

1. On 28 December 2015, the amended law of 18 December 2015 on the failure of credit institutions and certain investment firms ("the law of 18 December 2015" or "Law") entered into force. Its Article 156 creates the Système d'indemnisation des investisseurs Luxembourg (hereinafter "SIIL") which is henceforth the investor compensation scheme recognized in Luxembourg. The provisions pertaining to the SIIL, in particular Part III, Titles I and III, of the law of 18 December 2015, replace the provisions of Part IVb, labelled "Compensation schemes for investors in credit institutions and investment firms" of the law of 5 April 1993 on the financial sector, as amended ("LFS"), which are deleted in accordance with Article 206, point 9°, of the law of 18 December 2015. In other words, the Law confers to the SIIL the functions previously performed by the non-profit association Association pour la Garantie des Dépôts, Luxembourg (abbreviated "AGDL") which had been officially recognized by the CSSF as investor compensation scheme in accordance with the deleted Part IVb of the LFS.

Pursuant to Article 156 of the Law, the SIIL is managed and administered by the "Conseil de protection des déposants et des investisseurs" (hereinafter "CPDI"), a new executive body within the CSSF. The operational tasks of the SIIL are carried out by a department of the CSSF. Aside from these fundamental changes, it is worth noting that, in principle, Part III, Title III, of the Law reiterates Part IVb of the LFS. In particular, the SIIL continues to be financed *ex post* whereas the Fonds de garantie des dépôts Luxembourg (the officially recognized deposit guarantee scheme) is financed *ex ante*.

2. The membership or participation in the SIIL is mandatory and remains a requirement for the authorisation of any credit institution or investment firm under Luxembourg law, pursuant to Articles 10-2 and 22-1 of the LFS, respectively. Luxembourg branches of credit institutions and investment firms incorporated in a third country have to participate in the SIIL as well. UCITS management companies and alternative investment fund managers whose authorisation includes the management of portfolios on a discretionary, client-by-client basis are treated in the same way as investment firms. Their participation in the SIIL is

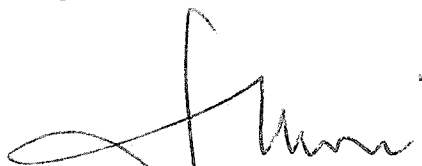
undertakings for collective investment and to Article 11(2) of the amended law of 12 July 2013 on alternative investment fund managers, respectively.

3. We would therefore kindly request that you return a scanned copy in “.pdf” format of the completed and signed form included in the appendix to this letter, via email at the address cpdi@cssf.lu no later than on **15 September 2016**. We would like to draw your attention to your duty to provide your customers with information in accordance with Article 199 of the Law.

For any questions regarding this circular-letter, please contact Mr Laurent Goergen (laurent.goergen@cssf.lu).

Yours faithfully,

COMMISSION DE SURVEILLANCE DU SECTEUR FINANCIER
Conseil de protection des déposants et des investisseurs

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Claude Simon', written over a vertical line that serves as a separator between the signature and the typed name below.

On behalf of the CPDI,
Claude SIMON
Chair of the CPDI

Appendix: Membership form

Appendix:

**Membership/participation in the Système d'indemnisation des investisseurs
Luxembourg**

Having taken note of the circular-letter of the "Conseil de protection des déposants et des investisseurs" (CPDI) dated 5 August 2016,

- the company incorporated under Luxembourg law

with registered office in _____

- the company _____ ,
incorporated under the law of _____
with Luxembourg branch established in _____

(delete as appropriate)

joins/participates in the Système d'indemnisation des investisseurs Luxembourg ("SIIL"), enacted by Article 156 of the law of 18 December 2015 on the failure of credit institutions and certain investment firms.

The undersigned representatives¹ confirm being fully informed about their rights and obligations resulting from the above-mentioned entity's membership/participation in the SIIL. These persons are, furthermore, the correspondents² for the CPDI and the CSSF with regard to the SIIL.

Contact details	Representative 1	Representative 2
Name		
First name		
Position		
Phone		
Mobile phone		
Email address		
Signature		

(Place)

(Date)

¹ The present form has to be signed by persons authorised to represent the company.

² The company updates the information without delay in case of a change.

