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The long road towards banking integration in Europe

1957 Treaty of Rome	– 2004 Committee of European Banking Supervisors
1973 Directive on the freedom of establishment of credit institutions	– 2008 Global financial crisis
1977 First banking directive	– 2009 de Larosière report
1983 EC white paper on financial integration	– 2010 Establishment of European micro- and macro-prudential authorities (EBA, EIOPA, ESMA, ESRB)
1986 Single European Act	– 2011-12 Euro area sovereign debt crisis
1989 Second banking directive – single passport for banks	– 2012 EC call for a Banking Union and proposal for the creation of a Single Supervisory Mechanism
1992 Maastricht Treaty on the European Union	– 2013 EC proposal for a Directive establishing a framework for the recovery and resolution of credit institutions and investment firms
1995 Sweden joins the EU	– 2014 Operational start of the SSM
1999 Establishment of the Monetary Union	– 2016 Operational start of the Single Resolution Board
2000 Lamfalussy Report - 'level 3 committees' on supervision, insurance, and securities	
2002 Introduction of the single currency	

Source: own construction on the basis of Enoch, Everaert, Tresselt and Zhou (2014)

Strong international linkages of the Swedish banking sector

Banking structure in Sweden (2019 data)

	Number of institutions	Total assets (in billions of SEK)	Percent of total assets	Percent of GDP*
Foreign bank branches in Sweden	36	2163	14.7	44.7
Swedish bank branches abroad	67	1679	11.4	34.7

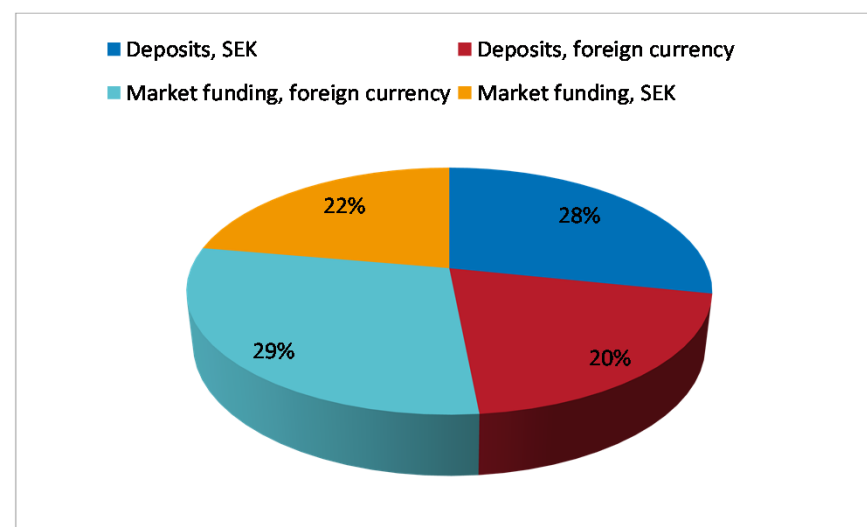
*note: calculated on the basis of 2018 GDP

Banks' exposure to foreign exchange on the asset side (2019 data for the three largest banks, in percent)

Foreign currency loans as percent of total loans	34.3
Foreign currency assets as percent of total assets	37.4

Source: Banks' annual reports, FI, and Riksbank

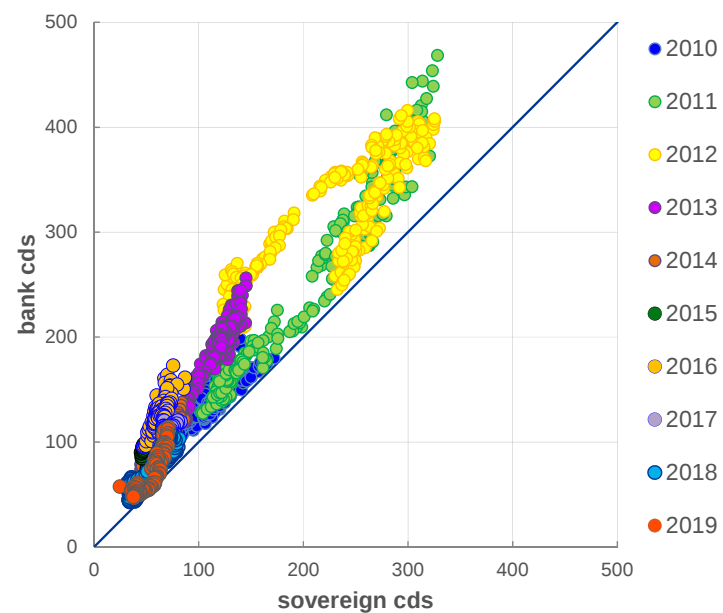
Funding structure of Swedish banks (2019 data for the three largest banks, in percent)



Source: Banks' annual reports, FI and Riksbank

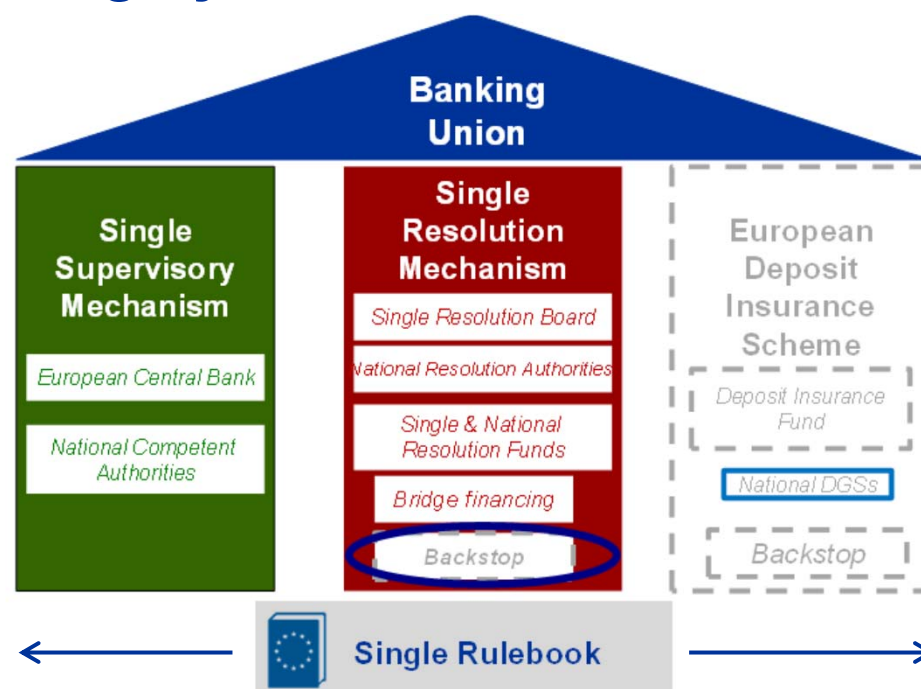
Weakening the sovereign-banking nexus

Sovereign and bank CDS spreads in the euro area (basis points)

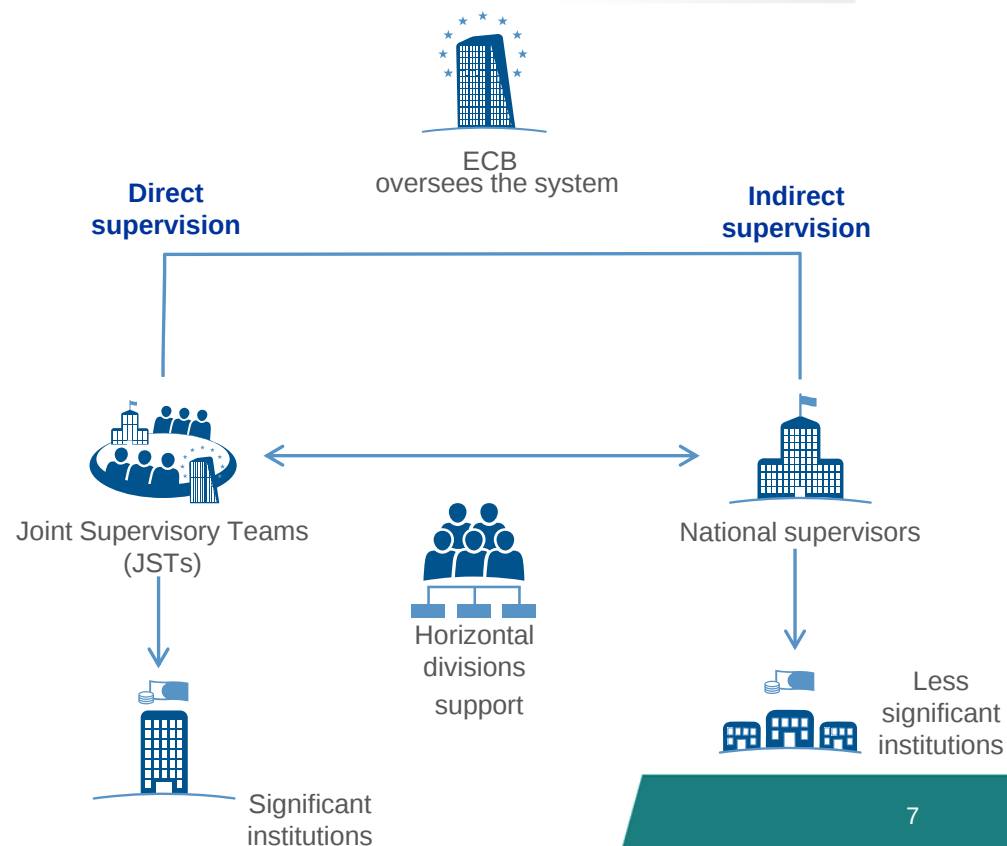


Source: Thomson Reuters and ECB calculations

Banking union aims to have a more transparent, unified and safer banking system



The Single Supervisory Mechanism



Aims of the SSM

- ✓ contribute to the safety and soundness of the banking system
- ✓ ensure consistent supervision

➔ **increased financial integration and stability**

ECB banking supervision - many initiatives to reach a higher common supervisory standard

The Supervisory Board discussed and decided on issues in



135

meetings



10,154

supervisory decisions were taken

The most common decisions were on

4,942

fit and proper assessments

594

internal models

830

own funds

675

SREP

475

significance

602

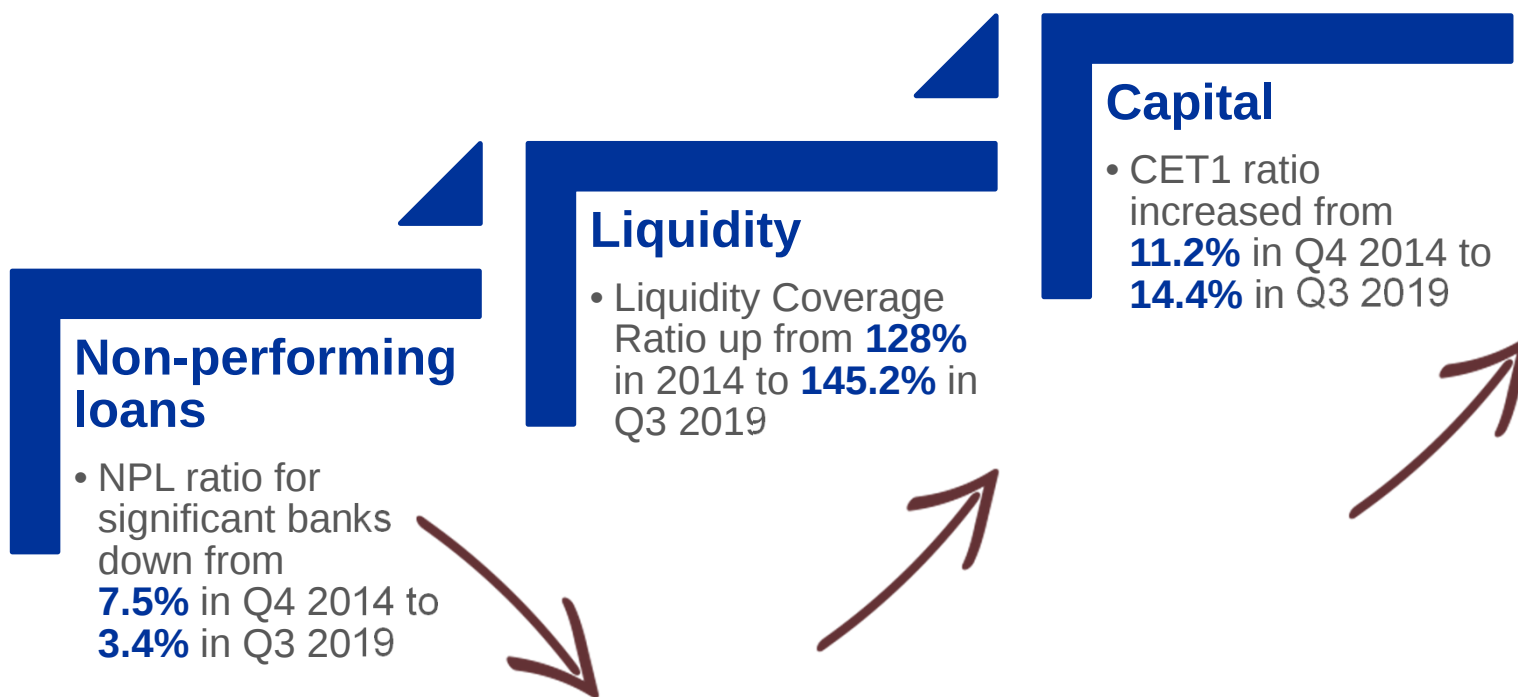
qualifying holdings

Key projects have included

- ✓ harmonisation of the Supervisory Review and Evaluation Process (SREP)
- ✓ dealing with options and discretions provided in European legislation in a consistent manner
- ✓ measures to reduce non-performing loans
- ✓ targeted review of bank's internal models

Note: period ranging from November 2014 until end-January 2020

The ECB's efforts to strengthen the resilience of the banking system are bearing fruit



Supervisory priorities are continuing with balance sheet repair and strengthening future resilience



Important policy issues for a more resilient and integrated banking sector in Europe

- ✓ Completion of the banking union
- ✓ Implementation of the Basel III framework
- ✓ Improving the crisis management framework for troubled and weak banks
- ✓ Improving fit and proper assessments
- ✓ Strengthening the AML framework
- ✓ Climate change and green finance



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