



EUROPEAN MARKET INFRASTRUCTURE REGULATION (EMIR) REPORTING

As EMIR reporting increases in maturity, ESMA and the National Competent Authorities (NCAs) are placing greater focus on the accuracy, validity and completeness of firms' reporting submissions.

Duff & Phelps has assisted a large number of clients with all aspects of EMIR reporting, from submission reviews, best practice recommendations right through to remediation guidance, incorporating the latest updates in EMIR regulatory requirements.

"I have been very impressed with the work undertaken by Duff & Phelps in helping us with a Trade Reporting review. The knowledge of the individuals we have worked with has been of a very high standard and they have quickly understood the complexities of our business and provided sound and pragmatic advice throughout the review."

– Head of Compliance,
Institutional Asset Manager

EMIR REQUIREMENTS

Following the European Union's adoption of the G20 commitments to increase transparency in the derivatives market and reduce systemic risk, EEA market participants have been submitting Over the Counter (OTC) and Exchange Traded Derivatives (ETD) to trade repositories since reporting became mandatory in February 2014.

EMIR has an extensive reporting obligation for EEA legal entities, impacting both OTC and ETD contracts. Since its inception, the number of reportable fields has increased significantly and includes collateral and valuation reporting.

EMIR reporting currently has 129 required fields, making it one of the largest and most complex reporting challenges for firms globally.

TOP CHALLENGES FOR EMIR REPORTING COUNTERPARTIES

From our experience in assisting clients with EMIR, we see firms facing many challenges; including:

1. **Changing Standards** – Keeping up to date with the latest RTS and ESMA Q&A.
2. **Complexity** – Interpreting and implementing the vast detail in the EMIR rules applicable to their business correctly and practically.
3. **Rejections** – Dealing with the root cause for, and remediation of, rejected reports.
4. **Accuracy** – Ensuring reports are not only valid, but also complete and accurate.
5. **Inter-TR Reconciliation** – Pairing both sides of a report and ensuring trade details are matching.

ASSISTING CLIENTS TO OVERCOME EMIR CHALLENGES

Duff & Phelps can assist firms at any stage of EMIR reporting, from implementation and system reviews, right through to remedial action. We advise on what has become an extensive and often complicated regulatory landscape.

Backed by our multi-disciplined specialist Markets team, Duff & Phelps is renowned as a leading advisor in regulatory reporting, especially EMIR, SFTR and MiFIR.

With extensive regulatory reporting experience, the team have held senior positions at leading registered EMIR Trade Repositories and the FCA, providing assistance and advice for a broad range of financial and non-financial firms to develop and implement solid EMIR reporting frameworks.

HOW DUFF & PHELPS CAN SUPPORT YOU

We tailor our approach to the activities and processes of your organisation and assist with all aspects of EMIR regulatory reporting, including:

Quality Assurance

- Range of review services of EMIR reporting arrangements, including health checks, annual assurance, deep-dive reviews and regulatory investigations
- Independent data accuracy and validity of all reporting scenarios, instruments and data fields. Highlighting any errors, providing solutions and helping firms fix issues
- Reviewing and enhancing controls to maintain accurate and complete counterparty, product, market and other reference data
- Assistance preparing for regulatory visits and in identifying remedial actions in advance

Comprehensive Support

- Ongoing regulatory advice on trade, position and lifecycle reporting, governance and broader regulatory arrangements and change
- Drafting or reviewing policies and procedures, business requirements documentation, reporting logic and data validation and exception handling controls
- Capturing and documenting the reporting requirements specific to your trading scenarios and product mapping across all systems
- Developing robust process and best practice reviews
- Delivering technical, regulatory and operational staff training across departments

Change, Review and Remediation

- Selection of the most appropriate trade repository for the firm and assistance with onboarding, integration, testing, documentation and process review
- Technical advice throughout the design and implementation process of EMIR changes
- Project management expertise and secondments
- Post-implementation reviews to provide senior management with an independent assessment or attestation of the firm's EMIR reporting arrangements and control framework
- Assisting firms with remediation projects including large-scale back reporting exercises

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