

**NAFMII WEEKLY UPDATE** 

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#### **NAFMII Related**

### NAFMII Assets Securitization & Structural Financing Commission Established in Beijing

On November 20, NAFMII Assets Securitization & Structural Financing Commission Founding Conference was held in Beijing. After its establishment, NAFMII will advance and optimize relevant work of the Commission, and provide various professional services relating to asset-backed securities.

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# Regulatory **Developments**

# First Group of Foreign Central Banks and Similar Institutions Entering the Chinese Inter-bank Foreign Exchange (FX) Market

On November 25 2015, the first group of foreign central banks and similar institutions completed registration with the China Foreign Exchange Trading System (CFETS), and officially gained access to the Chinese inter-bank foreign exchange (FX) market. This will contribute to greater openness of the Chinese foreign exchange market.

The first group of foreign central banks and similar institutions included the Hong Kong Monetary Authority, the Reserve Bank of Australia, the Hungarian National Bank, the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the International Development Association, the World Bank Group Trust Funds and the GIC Private Limited. This group covers all three categories of institutions, namely foreign central banks (monetary authorities), international financial institutions, and sovereign wealth funds.

PBC News (Currently Available in English)

# PBC and European Central Bank successfully test bilateral currency swap arrangement

In October 2013, the PBC and the ECB signed a bilateral local currency swap arrangement for the purpose of supporting bilateral economic and trade activities and ensuring the stability of financial markets. Based on the friendly cooperation and negotiation, the PBC and the ECB conducted two tests in April 2015 and in November 2015 that provide symbolic amounts of euro and RMB liquidity respectively. The funds involved in the tests were ultimately allocated to a limited number of Chinese and Euro system counterparties. The tests were successful through smooth proceeding, and provide the PBC's and the ECB's operational

readiness to activate the swap immediately if needed on the basis of bilateral agreed operational procedures.

PBC News (Currently Available in English)

#### **RQFII Pilot Area Expanded to Malaysia**

With the approval of the State Council, RMB Qualified Foreign Institutional Investors (RQFII) pilot area is expanded to Malaysia with an investment quota of RMB 50 billion. As a significant embodiment of deepening cooperation between the two countries in the financial field, the expansion program is conductive to widening RMB assets allocation channels for foreign investors and further opening up the domestic capital market to the outside world, as well as boosting bilateral trade and investment facilitation.

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### CSRC Formulates Several Opinions on Further Promoting NEEQ Concept Stock Development

On November 20, China Securities Regulatory Commission (CSRC) published Several Opinions of CSRC on Further Promoting the Development of National Equities Exchange and Quotations (Opinions). The Opinions requires to fully understand the significance of accelerating the development of National Equities Exchange and Quotations (NEEQ) and relevant target tasks, further improve inspection efficiency, enhance the financing function of the market, adhere to and improve sponsoring broker system and diversified trading mechanism, implement NEEQ internal layering and differentiated administration, vigorously develop and foster institutional investor forces, continuously strengthen protection of investors' rights and interests, and intensify market supervision.

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