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COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL, THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK, THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

**Consumer Financial Services Action Plan: Better Products, More Choice** 

## ANNEX 1: OVERVIEW OF ACTIONS AND INDICATIVE TIMETABLE

Act	ion	Date
1	Lower charges on non-euro transactions	2017
	As already announced, the Commission will, following a REFIT review, propose an	Q4
	amendment to the Regulation on cross-border payments to reduce charges for cross-	
	border transactions in all Member States.	
2	Transparency in currency conversion	2018
	The Commission will review good and bad practices in dynamic currency conversion and, on	
	that basis, consider the most appropriate means (enforcement of existing legislation, voluntary	
	approaches, reinforced legislation) to allow consumers to choose the best rate.	
3	Easier product switching	2018
	The Commission will explore further steps to make it easier for consumers to switch to more	$2^{nd}$
	advantageous retail financial services, building on what has already been achieved through the	half
	Payment Accounts Directive.	
4	Quality comparison websites	2018
	The Commission will work with stakeholders to enhance the quality and reliability of financial	
	services comparison websites, by promoting the uptake of existing principles and through	half
	voluntary certification schemes.	
5	Better motor insurance	2017
	The Commission will complete the REFIT review of the Motor Insurance Directive and will	Q4
	decide on anyamendments required to enhance the protection of traffic accident victims and to	
	improve the cross-border recognition of claims history statements (which are used to calculate	
(	no-claims bonuses).	2017
6	Transparent pricing in car rentals	2017
	The Commission will monitor closely the implementation of the agreement with major car rental firms on transparent pricing of insurance-related elements and will consider whether further	Q4
	legislative and non-legislative action is needed to extend transparent practices to the entire	
	market.	
7	Deeper Single Market for consumer credit	2018
ľ	The Commission will explore ways of facilitating access to loans across borders whilst ensuring	
	a high level of consumer protection. In this context, the Commission will also consider ways of	
	addressing in a more efficient manner consumer over-indebtedness linked to credit activities.	
8	Fair consumer protection rules	2018
	The Commission will examine national consumer protection and conduct rules to assess whether	2 <sup>nd</sup> half
	they create unjustified barriers to cross-border business.	
9	Better creditworthiness assessments	2018
	The Commission will seek to introduce common creditworthiness assessment standards and	2 <sup>nd</sup> half
	principles for lending to consumers and work to develop a minimum set of data to be exchanged	
	between credit registers in cross-border creditworthiness assessments.	
10	FinTech for retail financial services	2017
	Based on the work of the FinTech Task Force and the public consultation, the Commission will	Q4
	determine which actions are required to support the development of FinTech and a technology-	
	driven Single Market for financial services.	
11	Digital identity checks	2017
	The Commission will facilitate the cross-border use of electronic identification and	Q4
	know-your-customer portability based on eIDAS to enable banks to identify customers	
	digitally	
12	Online selling of financial services	2018
	The Commission will monitor the distance selling market to identify the potential consumer risks	1 <sup>st</sup> half
	and business opportunities in this market and, on that basis, decide on the need to amend distance	
1	selling (including disclosure) requirements.	