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**General comments**

We generally welcome the aim not only focusing on the methodology and criteria for calculating the annual supervisory fees but also including further clarifications where beneficial.
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<td>We recommend to replace the phrase 'that are directly or indirectly related to its supervisory tasks' by the phrase 'in relation to tasks conferred on it under Articles 4 to 6 of the Regulation (EU) No 1024/2013', preferably followed by the clause 'irrespective of its responsibility as direct supervisor, as indirect supervisor or for ensuring the effective and consistent functioning of the SSM'.</td>
<td>We believe that ‘expenditure incurred by the ECB in relation to the tasks that are directly or indirectly related to its supervisory tasks’ of the supervisory fee regulation could be read limited to supervisory tasks not covering the overall responsibility of the ECB for the effective and consistent functioning of the SSM as stated in Article 6 para 1 of the Regulation (EU) No 1024/2013.</td>
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<td>In order to align Article 5 para 2 of supervisory fee regulation to Article 30 para 1 of the Regulation (EU) No 1024/2013 the phrase relating the ECB’s tasks should be reframed including a reference to Articles 4 to 6 of the Regulation (EU) No 1024/2013. This alignment would dispel any doubts that the supervisory fee regulation may limit the duty of cost-sharing by supervisory fees according to Article 30 para 1 of the Regulation (EU) No 1024/2013. This is due to the fact that provisions modifying and limiting Article 30 para 1 of the Regulation (EU) No 1024/2013 can be based neither on Article 4 para 3 nor Article 30 nor Article 33 para 2 of the Regulation (EU) No 1024/2013.</td>
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In order to improve clarity an amendment regarding the roles of the ECB resulting in expenditure which has to be recovered by supervisory fees could be beneficial. The duty of cost-sharing by supervisory fees according to Article 30 para 1 of the Regulation (EU) No 1024/2013 refers to the tasks conferred to the ECB under Articles 4 to 6 of the Regulation (EU) No 1024/2013. There are three substantial roles of the ECB stemming from tasks according to Article 4 to 6 of the Regulation (EU) No 1024/2013: The ECB directly supervises significant credit institutions, indirectly supervises less significant credit institutions and ensures the effective and consistent functioning of the SSM.

In this context, we would like to stress the potential risk of creating an unlevel playing field. As already mentioned ‘expenditure incurred by the ECB in relation to the tasks that are directly or indirectly related to its supervisory tasks’ could be read limited to supervisory tasks not covering the overall responsibility of the ECB for the effective and consistent functioning of the SSM. If so, there is the risk of redefining the overall responsibility for the effective and consistent functioning of the SSM as a task which has to be levied by the NCA according to Article 30 para 5 of the SSM-Regulation. However, the cost allocation of the NCAs differs significantly. As a result credit institutions across Europe would contribute to costs for the effective and consistent functioning of the SSM differently just depending on the national framework of cost allocation. For this reason the already mentioned interpretation would led to an unlevel playing field both between credit institutions and NCAs within the SSM.