MFSA MALTA FINANCIAL SERVICES AUTHORITY

Circular for Insurance and Reinsurance Undertakings Reinsurance/Retrocession Reporting

The circular relates to all insurance and reinsurance undertakings which are required to submit the reinsurance/retrocession ("reinsurance") data on the templates specified in terms of paragraph 8.6 of Chapter 8 of Insurance Rules issued under the Insurance Business Act (Cap. 403), based on the templates specified in the Annexes attached to the Commission Implementing Regulations issued under Articles 35(10) of the Solvency II Directive.

Currently, all insurance and reinsurance undertakings are required to submit information to the Authority regarding their reinsurance programme on an annual basis. In view of the recent introduction of the Solvency II Quantitative Reporting Templates ("QRTs"), all insurance and reinsurance undertakings are being requested to complete the respective QRTs and submit to the Authority. Insurance and reinsurance undertakings are directed to refer to the MFSA Circulars of the 22nd October 2015 and 30th November 2015 entitled Solvency II Circular for Insurance and Reinsurance Undertakings for guidance on the time-frames by when the relevant information is to be submitted to the Authority, in accordance with Section 8.6 of Chapter 8 of Insurance Rules issued under the Insurance Business Act (Cap. 403).

Together with these QRTs, insurance and reinsurance undertakings are to continue to submit copies of the relevant signed reinsurance agreements / addendums (where applicable) and the relevant Board resolutions. Supervision is risk based and therefore the Authority may request insurance and reinsurance undertakings to submit additional information as may deem necessary.

The signed reinsurance agreements and the Board resolutions should be submitted to the Authority in .zip format together with the other QRTs submissions using the MFSA web portal ("LH Portal").

Insurance and reinsurance undertakings are reminded to immediately send a written notification to the Authority in case of any material changes in reinsurance arrangements (examples of which are the introduction of new treaties throughout the year and changes in retention levels and limits of the existing programme). Relevant documentation reflecting the changes affected is to be submitted to the Authority with the notification.

Any queries in relation to the above should be addressed to the Insurance and Pensions Supervision Unit on ipsu@mfsa.com.mt.

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