# **CHECKLIST**

# For reporting according to Regulation (EU) 1233/2011

**Reporting country information** I.

Reporting Country	France
Submission Date	December 2016
Reporting Institution (Government	Bpifrance Assurance Export / Natixis (for
Department, ECA)	Official Financing Support)

II. Reporting country legal and policy information	
Mandate/Legal status of ECA	Bpifrance Assurance Export, a branch of a public investment bank (Bpifrance SA), manages State guarantees in the name, on behalf and under the control of the French State in accordance with articles L 432-1 to L 432-4 of the French insurance code with the aim of promoting French exports on the medium long and term and foreign investments.  The management of these guarantees is entrusted to Bpifrance Assurance Export within the framework of an agreement with the State called "convention de gestion", under the terms of which the state specifies both Bpifrance Assurance Export's overall objectives and results it is expected to achieve.  Natixis, a private company, manages Interest Make Up on behalf of the French State, within the framework of a law and of an agreement between the French State and Natixis.
Officially supported export credit programs (in the sense of Article 5 of the OECD Arrangement) during reporting period	<ul> <li>Interest Make Up scheme.</li> <li>Medium and long term (&gt; 2 years) export credit insurance includes the following facilities:         <ul> <li>Buyer credit cover</li> </ul> </li> <li>Supplier credit cover</li> <li>And related specific covers:         <ul> <li>Public works cover</li> <li>Airbus unconditional guarantee</li> <li>Bonds cover</li> </ul> </li> <li>Discount and transfer of receivables to banks cover</li> </ul>

	Letter of credit cover
Annual reports available on reporting year	No annual reports available for 2016 due to transfer of the State guarantees to Bpifrance.

### III. Information on the reporting Member State's Export Credit policies:

General presentation of the reporting MS' policies on export credits, including all information that can help the Commission in carrying out its evaluation regarding the compliance of the Export Credit Agencies with EU objectives and obligations <sup>1</sup> (in the sense of Article 3, Annex 1 of EU Regulation1233/2011)  Special information on the following policies:	In addition to export credit guidelines, Bpifrance Assurance Export abides by a set of principles for the operations it covers within the scope of state guarantees. Those principles partake of the different international commitments of the French State notably in the fields of environment, anti-bribery and sustainable lending.  See below for more details.
1) Environment:  a) Do you apply the OECD Recommendation on Common Approaches to the Environment and Officially Supported Export Credits?  (its successor instrument the OECD Recommendation on Common Approaches on Officially Supported Export Credits and Environmental and Social Due Diligence?)  b) any other relevant information	Bpifrance Assurance Export applies the OECD Recommendation, and has extended the scope of the Common Approaches, normally limited to export credit transactions, to foreign investment projects covered under PRI.
2) Human rights: a) Do you apply the Human Rights related aspects of the Recommendation on Common Approaches, on Officially Supported Export Credits and Environmental and Social Due Diligence? b) Any other relevant information?	Bpifrance Assurance Export applies the Human Rights related standards to which the Common Approaches refers, when conducting the environmental and social due diligence.
3) Anti-Bribery measures: a) Do you apply the OECD Recommendation on Bribery and Officially Supported Export Credits?	Further to the enactment into French law (articles 453-3 et seq. of the Penal Code) of the 1997 OECD convention on combating bribery of foreign public officials in international business

<sup>1</sup> EP side suggested to use such a phrase (to ensure that it is not forgotten that the Regulation's official reference is to "EU objectives and obligations)

b) Any other relevant information?	transactions and of the 2001 action statement issued by the OECD working party on export credit and credit guarantees, Bpifrance Assurance Export took measures in order to prevent bribery. These measures were strengthened in December 2006, upon the OECD Council's adoption of the Recommendation on bribery and officially supported export credits: an ethical charter and internal specific procedures have been set up. A due diligence process is applied to each application for cover. Applicants are required to declare whether they, or anyone acting on their behalf in connection to the transaction are:  On IFIs' debarement lists; and/or Under charge for bribery or have already been convicted against bribery.
4) Sustainable Lending Practices: a) Do you apply the OECD Principles and Guidelines to Promote Sustainable Lending Practices in the Provision of Official Export Credits to Low Income Countries?	Bpifrance Assurance Export's cover policy is in line with those principles for countries subject to IMF and/or World Bank non concessional borrowing policies.
b) Any other relevant information?  5) Other policies	- Multinational companies' compliance with rules of conduct in their international trading activities is one of those principles. The general statements of the policy stipulate that policyholders must be aware of the OECD's guiding principles.
	- Transparency: Ex ante: Bpifrance Assurance Export publishes environmental and social information on its website regarding projects with a potentially significant impact at least 30 days before the final decision is made. Ex post: Bpifrance Assurance Export also publishes quarterly on its website covered transactions of 10 M€ and more once the policies are issued.

#### **IV.** Annual Activity Report data:

Explanatory note:

"MS shall report, in accordance with their national legislative framework, on assets and liabilities, claims paid and recoveries, new commitments, exposures and premium charges." From Regulation 1233/2011, Annex 1.

Member States that have more than one ECA should do one single integrated report (reporting obligation is on the Member State as such, not the ECA). Where a MS offers at the same time different types of products (pure cover and direct lending), the reporting under chapter IV should however differentiate.

A) In case of official support is provided in the form of export credit guarantee or insurance ("pure cover") in the sense of Art 5 a 1) OECD Arrangement: <sup>2</sup>	
Overview of assets	I
Overview of labilities	
Aggregate nominal risk exposure  • 01-01-2016	M EUR 75 059
• 31-12-2016	M EUR 68 698
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a.) nominal risk exposure under insurance	
policies issued • 01-01-2016	M EUR 71 412
	M EUR 65 631
• 31-12-2016	WEUK 03 031
b.) nominal risk exposure under promises	
and notices of cover	MEUD 7.542
• 01-01-2016	M EUR 7 542
• 31-12-2016	M EUR 8 634
Premium Income	M EUR 225
Recoveries	M EUR 1 555
Claims paid	M EUR 90
B) In case official support is provided in the form of Official Financing Support in the sense of Article 5a2) OECD Arrangement:	
Overview of assets	ole su2) ole d'Arrangement.
Overview of liabilities:	
a) nominal value of officially supported	
loan portfolio	
• 01-01-2016	MEUR 11 300
• 31-12-2016	MEUR 11 490
b) total value of off balance commitments	
• 01-01-2016	
• 31-12-2016	
Interest received	
Annual profit/loss	MEUR 113,8
V. Contingent liabilities	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Where contingent liabilities might arise	
from officially supported export credit	
activities, those activities shall be	
reported:	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Member States not using EUR should report the figures in their national currency and in EUR

# VI. Evaluation and incorporation of environmental risks

Environmental risks:	In all, 144 projects have been under review in 2016, i.e. at any stages of the environmental and social due diligence (including monitoring):  - 38 in category A  - 54 in category B  - 52 in category C
a) Number/exposure of transactions Category A	3 transactions officially supported in Category A
b) Number/exposure of transactions Category B	5 transactions officially supported in Category B.
How are environmental risks, which can carry other relevant risks, taken into account in the officially supported export credit activities?	Bpifrance Assurance Export assesses the environmental and social impacts of its projects in line with the international standards of the World Bank Group and ensures that all projects are in line with the relevant guidelines.