

Banca Comerciala Romana S.A. has received a new MREL requirement for the Romanian Resolution Group

The National Bank of Romania notified Banca Comerciala Romana S.A. about its MREL requirement (Minimum Requirement for own funds and Eligible Liabilities) set in a joint decision with the ERSTE Group resolution authority, the Single Resolution Board (SRB) and calibrated on balance sheet data as of 31 December 2019 and the Bank Recovery and Resolution Directive 2 (BRRD2).

The MREL requirements laid down below will replace the MREL requirements based on BRRD1 (published on 27 March 2020) following the entry into force of Law no. 320/2021 which transposes the provisions of BRRD2.

Banca Comerciala Romana S.A., as the resolution entity of the Romanian resolution group¹, must comply with binding interim MREL requirements equivalent to 20.76% (excluding the Combined Buffer Requirement (CBR)) of the Total Risk Exposure Amount (TREA) and 5.91% of the Leverage Ratio Exposure (LRE) of the Romanian resolution group until 1 July 2022.

The MREL requirements on fully loaded basis, effective from 1 January 2024, are equivalent to 24.9% of TREA (excluding CBR) and 5.91% of LRE of the Romanian resolution group, respectively.

In addition, the minimum interim subordination requirements to be reached until 1 July 2022 were set at a level of 19.58% of TREA (excl. CBR) and 5.91% of LRE, thereby specifying the amount of MREL requirements that must be met with subordinated instruments such as regulatory capital, subordinated debt and senior non-preferred debt.

The final subordination requirements, effective from 1 January 2024, were set at a level of 21.4% of TREA (excl. CBR) and 5.91% of LRE.

To ensure a gradual build-up of eligible resources, the MREL requirements planned for 1 January 2023 are equivalent to 22.83% of TREA (excl. CBR) and 5.91% of LRE, while the subordination requirements are equivalent to 20.49% of TREA (excl. CBR) and 5.91% of LRE.

The TREA of the Romanian resolution group as of 31 December 2019 (as applied for the MREL calibration) amounted to RON 40,493mn and LRE to RON 78,767mn.

The table below summarises the current MREL and subordination requirements:

Requirements for Romanian Resolution Group based on December 2019 data	Until 1 July 2022	
	in % of TREA (excl. CBR)	in % of LRE
Total MREL	20.76%	5.91%
Subordinated MREL	19.58%	5.91%

Banca Comerciala Romana S.A.'s long term capital and funding plan has been adjusted in order to ensure compliance with the aforementioned requirements.

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¹ The Romanian resolution group consists of Banca Comerciala Romana S.A and its direct subsidiaries. The consolidation scope of the Romanian resolution group is equivalent to the local CRR consolidation scope for which Banca Comerciala Romana S.A. reports and discloses relevant financial and regulatory information.