#### Macroprudential instruments and how they work

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#### Outline

- 1) <u>Why</u> macroprudential policy?
- 2) <u>What mandate and instruments?</u>
- 3) <u>How</u> do instruments work?
- 4) Challenges ahead

## **Policy Framework Financial System**

Instruments	Objective	Level of impact
Monetary	Price stability	Macro: stable economic growth
Macroprudential	Stability of financial sector	
Microprudential	Stability of financial institutions	Micro: protection of consumers

## **Differing perspectives**

	Macroprudential	Microprudential
Policy objective	Limit financial system-wide distress	Limit distress of individual firms
Ultimate goal	Avoid output (GDP) costs linked to financial instability	Consumer (depositor/ investor/ policyholder) protection
Characterisation of risk	Dependent on collective behaviour; endogenous	Independent of individual agents' behaviour; exogenous
Correlations and common exposures across firms	Important	Irrelevant
Calibration of prudential	In terms of system-wide risk;	In terms of firm risks;
controls	top-down	bottom-up

Source: Borio (2003)

# Macroprudential policy even more relevant in monetary union



#### Mandate

- ESRB 2011: Create national financial stability mandates & authorities:
  - Formal responsibility for financial stability
  - Obligation to act
  - Address inaction bias
  - Leading role central bank
- The 'designated' macroprudential authority will be the central bank in most Member States (ESRB survey, 2013)

#### **Instruments: ESRB 2013**

#### Macroprudential toolkit CRR/ CRD-IV 2014:



#### How instruments work



### Countercyclical capital buffer: transmission map



Source: BIS/CGFS, 2012

#### Illustration: credit gap Netherlands 1970-2012



#### CCB activated twice: 70s and 00s



# Effect on capital buffer (CRR/CRD-IV)

#### Total buffer can be substantial



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### **Challenges ahead**

- Policy strategy: link objectives, instruments and indicators
  - Decisions by constrained discretion
- Counter inaction bias; smooth cooperation with other authorities
  - > National authorities, ECB, ESRB, EBA, EC, Council
- Implement & evaluate