

February 3, 2022

Mr. John Berrigan  
Director General  
Directorate General for Financial Stability, Financial Services and Capital Markets Union  
European Commission  
Rue de Spa 2, Spastraat 2  
Brussels, Belgium

Dear Mr. Berrigan:

CFA Institute<sup>1</sup>, in consultation with its Corporate Disclosure Policy Council (“CDPC”)<sup>2</sup>, appreciates the opportunity to comment and provide our perspectives on the European Commission (the “Commission”) Consultation Document, *Strengthening Of The Quality Of Corporate Reporting And Its Enforcement* (“the Consultation”).

CFA Institute has a long history of promoting fair and transparent global capital markets and advocating for strong investor protections. We are providing comments consistent with our objective of promoting fair and transparent global capital markets and advocating for investor protections. An integral part of our efforts toward meeting those goals is ensuring that corporate financial reporting and disclosures and the related audits provided to investors and other end users are of high quality. Our advocacy position is informed by our global membership who invest both locally and globally. We have completed and submitted the five-part questionnaire-based (the “Questionnaire”) consultation. In this letter, we summarize the views underlying the numerical responses provided in the Questionnaire. We provide this letter to the European Commission as we believe it is important to connect and synthesize our views for the Commission and for other interested stakeholders.

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## **CONSULTATION RESPONSE CONSIDERATIONS**

**TO COME**

### **OVERARCHING PERSPECTIVES**

**TO COME**

#### **KEY CONSIDERATION BY CONSULTATION/QUESTIONNAIRE SECTION**

**TO COME**

*Part I - The EU Framework For High Quality And Reliable Corporate Reporting*

*Part II - Corporate Governance*

*Part III - Statutory Audit*

*Part IV - Supervision of PIE Statutory Auditors And Audit Firms*

*Part V – Supervision And Enforcement Of Corporate Reporting*

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Thank you for your consideration of our views and perspectives. We would welcome the opportunity to meet with you to provide more detail on our letter. If you have any questions or seek further elaboration of our views, please contact Sandra J. Peters at [sandra.peters@cfa institute.org](mailto:sandra.peters@cfa institute.org).

Sincerely,

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