

Supervisory Assessments and Thematic Reviews

In 2020, the SC carried out 416 assessments comprising 56 targeted pre-emptive assessments and three thematic reviews involving 282 intermediaries on identified areas of risk. Additionally, the SC carried out 78 assessments arising from concerns, complaints and referrals received on misconduct. Where instances of poor control environment in the intermediary were identified in the assessment and thematic reviews, the SC took supervisory actions to ensure adequate measures were put in place to rectify the gaps.

Thematic reviews enable the SC to assess trends, emerging risks and compliance lapses across intermediaries. The thematic review conducted by the SC in 2020 included the reviews of intermediaries' compliance with anti-corruption policies and procedures requirements, and oversight of their licensed representatives.

Strengthening the Effectiveness of FIMM's Enforcement, Surveillance and Investor Protection

The supervision of FIMM as an industry self-regulatory organisation (SRO) continues to be a vital supervisory emphasis for the SC.

In 2020, FIMM's supervision focused on strengthening the effectiveness of its enforcement, surveillance and investor protection efforts to deter the possibility of increased misconduct during the prevailing challenging conditions. In particular, FIMM is expected to leverage its digital marketing efforts, and intensify its investor education and awareness programmes to educate vulnerable investors on the possibility of increased misconduct during the current conditions and promote ethical industry practices.

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