

## 1<sup>st</sup> Update of the TIBER-IT National Guide

To ensure a high level of digital operational resilience in the financial sector, Regulation (EU) 2022/2554 (DORA) requires financial entities to test their ICT systems regularly. For certain entities—identified by the competent authorities based on qualitative and quantitative criteria—there is now a mandatory requirement to conduct advanced security tests, known as Threat-Led Penetration Testing (TLPT), at least every three years.<sup>1</sup>

At national level, legislative provisions have been adapted to DORA through Legislative Decree 23/2025, which designates, according to their supervisory powers, Banca d'Italia, CONSOB and IVASS as the competent authorities. These responsibilities also cover the carrying out of TLPT.

In this context, Banca d'Italia, CONSOB and IVASS have had the TIBER-IT National Guide updated to align it with DORA's provisions, the Regulatory Technical Standards (RTS) on TLPT, and the latest European version of the TIBER-EU framework.

The Guide now serves as the reference and support framework for both mandatory tests under DORA<sup>2</sup> and voluntary tests, which remain feasible and desirable for entities not subject to mandatory requirements. To carry out these tests, entities should refer to the provisions set out in DORA, the RTS on TLPT, TIBER-EU, and the related supporting documents, all of which are referenced in the TIBER-IT Guide.

The relevant departments of the three authorities continue to engage with financial entities to strengthen the sector's digital operational resilience.

This note and the updated TIBER-IT National Guide are available on the websites of Banca d'Italia, CONSOB and IVASS.

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<sup>1</sup> See Article 26 of DORA, which governs the 'Advanced testing of ICT tools, systems and processes based on TLPT' and the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2025/1190 of 13 February 2025, which specifies the qualitative and quantitative criteria for identifying financial entities; see <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/del/2025/1190/oj/eng>.

<sup>2</sup> For significant banks, the competent authority is the ECB. The Guide therefore does not apply for mandatory tests under DORA; instead, the provisions established by the Single Supervisory Mechanism (SSM) must be followed.