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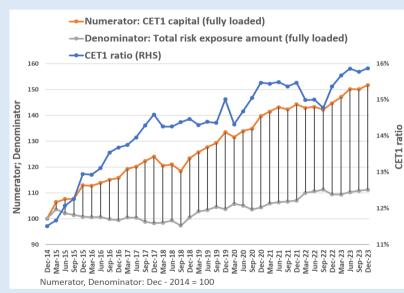
### The International Banking Library (IBL)

is a web-based platform for the exchange of research on cross-border banking. The IBL-Newsletter addresses researchers working on topics related to international banking and provides the latest updates on new research and conferences in the field. The second issue of 2024 presents new research on the impact of deposit relationships on lender switching, the role of corporate debt in explaining boom-bust cycles, and banks' use of accounting reclassification, i.e. the reclassification of securities as held-to-maturity (HTM) given higher interest rates.

### Is there Evidence for a Strong Capital Position of EU/EEA Banks?

The figure shows that EU/EEA banks have reached record-high capitalization levels. The information is sourced from the Q4 2023 Risk Dashboard (RDB) of the European Banking Authority (EBA). The Common Equity Tier 1 (CET 1) ratio shows an upward trend such that the weighted average CET1 ratio recently reached a value of 15.9%. The EBA's dashboard provides further information on, amongst others, EU/EEA banks' liquidity, profitability and non-performing loans.

### Capital position of EU/EEA banks remains strong



Source: EBA's Risk Dashboard, supervisory reporting data

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# At the Research Frontier What's new in international banking?

## Quarterly Selected Study The Editors' Pick

 Banking on Deposit Relationships:
 Implications for Hold-Up Problems in the Loan Market

Jin Cao, Emilia Garcia-Appendini, Cédric Huylebroek Norges Bank Working Paper No. 4/2024

 Cross-Border Bank Flows, Regional Household Credit Booms and Bank Risk-Taking

Dominik Boddin, Daniel te Kaat, Kasper Roszbach; Available at SSRN

 Book Value Risk Management of Banks: Limited Hedging, HTM Accounting, and Rising Interest Rates
 João Granja, Erica Xuewei Jiang, Gregor Matvos, Tomasz Piskorski, Amit Seru
 NBER Working Paper No. 32293

#### The Secular Decline of Bank Balance Sheet Lending

Greg Buchak, Gregor Matvos, Tomasz Piskorski, Amit Seru NBER Working Paper No. 32176

- Research Question: What are the primary drivers behind the secular decline of bank balance sheet lending in the private credit market? What are the consequences for financial intermediation and macroprudential regulation?
- Data: The data series to show trends in, for example, private credit and household deposit shares in the United States are taken from the Financial Accounts provided by the Federal Reserve System.
- Main Findings: The study highlights relevant patterns in the data: i) informationally-sensitive lending to the private sector reached a peak in the 1970s and has halved since then, ii) also the deposit share of household savings declined by almost one half, and iii) the loan share in total assets declined from 70% to 55% of bank assets. In a quantitative model, three different forces behind these patterns are analyzed including technological improvements, preferences of savers, and government regulation.

## Articles and Posts Latest Updates

## Research Agenda Forthcoming Conferences

- 1st IWH Bootcamp in Financial Economics for Master Students
   IWH hosts an intensive four-day summer school for master students interested in learning more about financial economics in September 2024. Students pursuing a master's degree in economics, econometrics, or finance are invited to send their applications by June 24.
- Summer School: Boosting Empirics with Theory
   The summer school taught by Wolf Wagner (Rotterdam School of Management) in July is targeted at participants who want to improve the quality and publication potential of empirical research by better linking it to theory.
- European banking supervision a decade on: safeguarding banks' resilience amid global challenges

The speech delivered by Claudia Buch in Brussels highlights that European banking supervision needs to be agile and prudent given geopolitical risks and new technologies.

• The growth of the South in global finance: New bilateral data and stylised facts

The article shows that the significance of countries in the Global South for the global economy has increased based on a dataset covering bilateral international investments.

- 10th IWH-FIN-FIRE Workshop on "Challenges to Financial Stability"
  Halle, Germany | October 21-22, 2024
  Halle Institute for Economic Research (IWH)
  CfP deadline: May 20, 2024
- 3rd CEMLA / Dallas Fed / IBEFA Financial Stability Workshop: Frontier Research in Financial Intermediation
   Mexico City | November 25-26, 2024
   CEMLA/ Dallas FED/ IBEFA
   CfP deadline: May 27, 2024
- 13th Annual Research Workshop -Boundaries of Banking Regulation Paris, France | November 6-7, 2024 European Banking Authority CfP deadline: July 5, 2024