



## **STATEMENT REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH EDTF REPORT**

### **ON ENHANCING RISK DISCLOSURE**

BBVA is known for its commitment with transparency and therefore welcomes initiatives such as the Enhanced Disclosure Task Force (EDTF), which we believe represents a crucial step in order to rebuild investors' confidence and trust in the banking industry.

BBVA has had an indirect participation in the EDTF, through the European Banking Federation (EBF) and the International Banking Federation (IBFed), and has closely monitored the process and the preliminary drafts of the report.

After reviewing the final document, BBVA considers that it will constitute an important milestone for bank's risk disclosure as it will allow investors, rating agencies, customers and regulators to better understand the risks that each institution is assuming.

BBVA has formed an internal working group in order to assess the degree of compliance with the disclosures established by the EDTF's principles and recommendations. In this regard, BBVA's conclusions can be summarized as follows:

- BBVA provides high-quality and transparent disclosures that are allowing investors, rating agencies and other users to understand the risks arising from our activities.
- BBVA already complied with the majority of the EDTF recommendations, and our disclosures were prepared in accordance with the 7 fundamental principles proposed by the EDTF.
- BBVA has included in its 2012 Annual and Pillar III reports most of the remaining EDTF recommendations that were not included in prior disclosures.

We are committed to continue to improve our disclosures and are currently working in simplifying the access of users to the information, gathering all the publicly available information in one sole section in our website.