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Market overview on Trade Credit Insurance in 2015 published

Russell Group Ltd publishes white paper:
Inside or Outside the Risk Kaleidoscope in 2015: The Search for Granularity

Amsterdam, 11 March 2015 - Leading risk analysis firm Russell Group Limited has written a new Trade Credit Insurance Market Overview: *Inside or Outside the Risk Kaleidoscope in 2015: The Search for Granularity.* Based on members' input, ICISAs executive director Robert Nijhout was, among others, asked to share views about the industry with Russell Group Ltd. for this publication.

The Trade Credit Regional Overview encompasses Europe, MENA, Asia, North America, Latin America, and Africa providing a granular analysis of regional trends and themes emerging in the trade credit arena in 2015. In particular, the white paper focuses on increasing Geopolitical pressures around the world, increasing Infrastructure investment (particularly in MENA and Asia), falling commodity and oil prices, Solvency II pressures and Eurozone stimulus.

Russell Group Limited MD Suki Basi said: "As our report outlines, geopolitical conflicts are one of the most interconnected risks for the year to come. This white paper explores the global trade credit picture in 2015 and asks the question: what credit risks do businesses face today and do they truly understand their underlying exposures?"

Robert Nijhout, executive director ICISA notes: "This White Paper published by Russell Group Limited identifies important indicators for trade credit insurance, such as a stable currency, working legal framework and potential trade barriers, categorising countries that are going to perform better than others in 2015. If interested in how trade flows develop over 2015 and the role of trade credit insurance, I can recommend reading the White Paper."

To read the full report, click here Credit Risk White Paper.

Note to the editor

You are kindly invited to interview Robert Nijhout, executive director of ICISA, by contacting Edward Verhey, Head of Advocacy & Media Relations per e-mail: Edward.verhey@icisa.org or by phone: +31 (0)20 625 4115.

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