

2-Minute ALM Quiz

How would you describe your bank’s ALM Model, ALCO Process and risk and profitability management exercises which depend on earnings forecasts?

Option A	Option B
<input type="checkbox"/> Dynamic balance sheets are the basis for the calculation of risk metrics	<input type="checkbox"/> Static balance sheets are the basis for the calculation of risk metrics
<input type="checkbox"/> IRR and LR are measured using independent balance sheet forecasts	<input type="checkbox"/> IRR and LR are measured using the business units’ balance sheet forecasts
<input type="checkbox"/> ALM’s baseline earnings forecast is consistently more accurate than Finance’s baseline forecast	<input type="checkbox"/> ALM is not asked to produce a baseline earnings forecast
<input type="checkbox"/> ALM delivers meaningful insights into balance sheet and earnings dynamics	<input type="checkbox"/> ALM is a <i>check-the-box</i> exercise that is primarily done to satisfy regulators
<input type="checkbox"/> ALM is regularly consulted by management and the business segments to validate and monitor strategies	<input type="checkbox"/> ALM is ignored by management and the business segments because they are confident that their strategies will work
<input type="checkbox"/> Earnings and margin reconciliations influence the execution of strategies	<input type="checkbox"/> Earnings and margin reconciliations are only used to identify modeling errors
<input type="checkbox"/> IRR and LR metrics and FTP rates are produced in the same model utilizing the same data and behavioral assumptions	<input type="checkbox"/> IRR and LR metrics and FTP rates are produced in different models utilizing different data and behavioral assumptions
<input type="checkbox"/> IRR and LR exposures are analyzed at a business segment and product level	<input type="checkbox"/> IRR and LR exposures are only analyzed at a consolidated level
<input type="checkbox"/> ALCO regularly analyzes the earnings and the earnings risk profile of the mismatch center	<input type="checkbox"/> ALCO does not analyze the earnings and the earnings risk profile of the mismatch center
<input type="checkbox"/> Risk and profitability management are understood to be one in the same exercise	<input type="checkbox"/> Risk and profitability are managed as if they are separate and distinct exercises

Did you choose Option B for any of your answers? If you didn’t select Option A for every one of your answers, we’d like to speak with you about your ALM process and introduce you to some of our clients who would love to share their stories with you.

Organizations which recognize that risk and profitability management are the same problem design granular modeling processes to analyze and manage earnings and earnings volatility; independence and accountability are embraced.

It is possible to understand and manage earnings and earnings volatility at an exceptionally fine level. We would love to show you how. Please contact us.