

EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK

## Recent Money Market Developments

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#### **Development of selected interest rates**



#### Interest rate expectations in the euro area







### **Evolution of implied volatility**

[3<sup>rd</sup> Euribor future contract; currently Sep07]



#### **EONIA** spread development over the last 3 months



# Historical comparison of the EONIA spread development around the turn of the year



## End of the reserve periods in 2006 / 2007

NAM -		Allotment last MRO	Fine tuning operation	Net recourse to facilities	Excess reserves	Eonia	Spread to MBR	
	17-Jan	BM	7 bn providing	0.8bn DF	0.81	2.30%	+5 bps	
	07-Feb	BM	6.5 bn providing	0.8bn DF	0.72	2.34%	+9 bps	TEM
	07-Mar	BM	5 bn absorbing (only 2.6 bn received)	1.6bn DF	0.63	2.08%	-17 bps	
	11-Apr	BM	26 bn providing (largest in new framework)	0.4bn DF	0.62	2.63%	+13 bps	
	09-May	BM + 2bn	11.5 bn absorbing	0.3bn MLF	0.78	2.52%	+2 bps	
	14-Jun	BM + 2bn	5 bn absorbing (only 4.9 bn received)	0.8bn MLF	0.73	2.50%	0 bps	
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	08-Aug	BM + 2bn	18.0 bn absorbing	1.2bn MLF	0.61	2.73%	-2 bps	
	05-Sep	BM + 2bn	11.5 bn absorbing	0.6bn MLF	0.60	3.04%	+4 bps	TE
	10-Oct	BM	9.5 bn providing	0.2bn DF	0.67	3.09%	+9 bps	
	07-Nov	BM + 1bn	none	2.0bn MLF	0.79	3.32%	+7 bps	
	12-Dec	BM + 1bn	2.5 bn providing	0.6bn MLF	0.68	3.36%	+11 bps	
	16-Jan	BM + 1bn	none	0.6bn MLF	0.96	3.50%	0 bps	
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#### **Potential issues for discussion**

- Assessment of the latest developments in the ECB liquidity management
  - How do members assess the Eonia development during the Christmas / end of the year period ?
  - To what extent has the spread increase ahead of Christmas been due to a calendar effect ?
  - How can yesterday's spike in the Eonia (in spite of relatively balanced liquidity conditions) be explained?
  - Are there any comments on the increased allotment volume for the LTROs ?



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Thank you for your attention!