



Repo Markets for German Government Bonds

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Total Holdings of German General Government Debt





Market Participants in the German Repo Market

- Primary Dealer / Market Maker
 - Collateral taker (short coverage) / Collateral provider (longs funding)
- Foreign Central Banks
 - Cash provider: bunds taken as collateral
- Domestic & Foreign Asset Manager
 - Collateral provider
- Domestic Banks
 - Collateral provider
- Eurex Futures Trader
 - Collateral taker: Physical delivery for BUND / BOBL / SCHATZ
- Bundesbank / German Finance Agency
 - Collateral provider: The German Finance agency uses retained parts in repo transactions supporting smooth trading in German government securities



German Repos – Overnight Market



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German Repos – 3 Month Term Market



Source: Commerzbank, Bloomberg

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Public Sector Purchase Program -

Secured Lending Agreements for German Government Bonds

Bundesbank (as of June, 8th)

- Automated Securities Lending Programme (ASL) live (Fee 1.35%)
- Automated Securities Lending Programme plus intended (Fee to be negotiated)
- Bilateral Repos initialised
- Securities Lending initialised

European Central Bank

- Activity delegated to its existing lending agent Deutsche Bank (Fee 0.40%)
- Euroclear Bank SA/NV's Securities Lending and Borrowing Programme called SLB (Fee 1.00%)



Summary

- GC Pricing for German Government paper driven by excess liquidity
- So far only a few German Government bonds trade at special rates (e.g. Cheapest – to – deliver bonds for BUND future)
- A significant increase in German Government bonds trading at special rates is likely in late summer / autumn due to continuation of the PSPP.