Market development of the gc repo segment – bilateral trading

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Development of Interest Rates Spread EONIA versus GC Pooling ON (July 01 – October 31, 2008)





Development of Interest Rates Spread EONIA versus average Italy GC - ON Rates (July 01 – October 31, 2008)





Development of Interest Rates

Spread EONIA versus average German GC - ON Rates (July 01 – October 31, 2008)



Observations & Remarks

SOME KEY DATES

- September, 14: Lehman Brothers files for bankruptcy protection
- September, 16: American International Group gets a \$85 billion loan from the FED
- September, 18: Coordinated Central Bank Action to Improve US\$ Liquidity
- October, 8: Rate cuts by several central banks, ECB's announcement of fixed rate MROs with full allotment follows in the evening.
- **October, 14**: First fixed rate MRO with full allotment
- October, 15: ECB announcement of expansion of list of eligible assets and fixed rate LTROs with full allotment



Observations & Remarks

CHANGES IN THE €MONEY MARKET AND REPO AFTER LEHMAN (1/2)

INCREASED DEMAND FOR TOP COLLATERAL

- Limited liquidity in the money market cash providers move into secured funding
- Central bank actions increase the demand for top collateral by banks



Observations & Remarks

CHANGES IN THE €MONEY MARKET AND REPO AFTER LEHMAN (2/2)

REDUCED SUPPLY OF TOP COLLATERAL

- Real money accounts increase buying of government paper and do not repo it out
- Hedge funds and banks accelerate deleveraging
- Agency lenders reduce / stop their repo activities

CONSEQUENCE

Huge demand for top collateral meets at a reduced supply : repo rates fall

