

Eurosystem Collateral Management System

ECB Operations Managers Group

# An introduction to the ECMS



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## A single, unified collateral management system

The Eurosystem Collateral Management System will replace the 19 local collateral management systems of the NCBs in operation today.

Go-live is planned for November 2022.



Before the ECMS:

## **19** collateral management systems

From November 2022 onwards:

unified system

target

## The ECMS – key aspects

The ECMS will work together with the other TARGET services to ensure that cash, securities and collateral flow freely across Europe.

The ECMS keeps track of the individual collateral and credit positions of counterparties belonging to the Eurosystem national central banks. The ECMS calculates the credit line available to each counterparty and send this information to the central liquidity management tool (CLM).

The ECMS converts counterparties' (de-) mobilisation instructions into settlement instructions which are sent to and settled in TARGET2-Securities (T2S).



## Interaction of the ECMS with the outside world

The ECMS interacts with many other services to provide Eurosystem NCBs and their communities with common functionality for managing marketable assets and credit claims used as collateral in Eurosystem credit operations.



## Instruments within the scope of ECMS

	Provision of liquidity	Absorption of liquidity
Open market operations	<ul> <li>Reverse transactions (MRO, LTRO, TLTRO,)</li> <li>Foreign exchange swaps</li> <li>Outright purchases</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reverse transactions</li> <li>Foreign exchange swaps</li> <li>✓ Collection of fixed-term deposits</li> <li>Issuance of ECB debt certificates</li> <li>Outright sales</li> </ul>
Standing Facilities	✓ Marginal lending facility	Deposit facility

## Marketable assets - features



## Marketable asset instructions in the ECMS



The T2S securities account to be used is determined by the ECMS on the basis of NCB configuration

## Link to tender process

- Collection of bids is managed in the usual NCB application, which remains outside the ECMS.
- The processing of bids is likewise conducted outside the ECMS.
- The ECMS will receive the results of the process.

## Settlement of payments – general principles

- All payments are settled in T2 (CLM)
- Settlement occurs in the Main Cash Account designated by the counterparty
- This may be its own Main Cash Accountor that of another CLM participant (subject to the necessary agreements)

Netting of payments

New operations are netted out against any maturing liquidity providing operations (e.g. OMO and marginal lending). Availability depends on the setup in each NCB and of the system.

## Counterparty pool for Eurosystem credit operations



The ECMS supports multi-pooling functionality. A single pool must however be used for the collateralisation of Eurosystem credit operations. The difference between the total collateral available and the amount of outstanding Eurosystem monetary policy operations determines the over/under-collateralisation of the pool. This is called the **suggested credit line** in the ECMS.

\* When activated for use as collateral

#### target ECMS

## Benefits of the ECMS







Harmonisation

of collateral management practices



Integration within the Eurosystem's market infrastructure landscape (T2 and T2S).

#### Efficiency

NCBs, their counterparties and other relevant actors to operate on one single system with a single interface.



## Indicative numbers on ECMS

## 1.500 credit line updates per day 400 marketable asset instructions per day (mob./demob.)

## 1.200

payments per day

#### 2.700 counterparties expected in the system

## 25.000

average marketable asset positions

## Around 25.000 eligible collateral

marketable assets

#### 2.000 messages per day

Who needs to be ready?



## What are the main milestones up to Q3 2021?

#### Q2 2020 – Q3 2021



## High level project timeline

Go-live: November 2022

Phase		2018			2019			2020			2021				2022				2023					
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Overall ECMS realisation phase																				$\diamond$	Ор	eration	al pha	ase
Specification phase							$\supset$																	
Development and internal testing													$\supset$				-							
Eurosystem Acceptance Testing															$\supset$		Fo	cus V	5					
User Testing																		×						
Migration implementation																								
Stabilisation and closing of the project																						$\supset$		