

Instant Payments Regulation Update on legislative process

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Political agreement on Instant Payments Regulation - I

- PSPs that provide regular credit transfers in euro will be required to provide instant credit transfers in euro
 - Longer application deadlines for PSPs located in Member States outside euro area
 - Non-bank PSPs (EMIs and PIs) included in the scope in view of amendment of Settlement Finality Directive
- PSPs to ensure that charges for euro instant credit transfers are not higher than charges for corresponding euro regular credit transfers
- > Service of payee verification (IBAN-name check):
 - ***** Scope extended to include euro regular credit transfers
 - Scope extended to include situations where information about the payee is provided not by the payers themselves, but by PSPs / PISPs
 - ***** Service free of charge for all types of PSUs



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Sanctions screening obligations

- Screening of own clients daily and immediately after designation of new entities and persons, with respect to restrictive measures:
 - pertaining to freezing of assets and not making funds available to designated entities and persons
 - adopted by Council Regulations under Article 215 TFEU (ie EU sanction lists)

> Amendment of Settlement Finality Directive

- EMIs and PIs included in the list of 'institutions' that can participate in designated payment systems under SFD
- Subject to temporary regime (to be revised by PSD3/PSR) requiring EMIs and PIs that apply for participation to have in place certain arrangements linked to:
 - safeguarding of client funds
 - governance arrangements and internal control mechanisms
 - winding-up plan
- Member States to transpose and apply SFD amendment in their national law by 12 months from the date of entry into force of Instant Payments Regulation



Political agreement on Instant Payments Regulation - III application deadlines from date of entry into force

Requirement	Euro Area	Non-Euro Area
Receive euro IPs	9 months	33 months
Send euro IPs	18 months	39 months*
Pricing of euro IPs	9 months	33 months
Payee verification service	18 months	39 months
Screen own clients on daily basis	9 months	9 months

* Obligation for PSPs located in non-euro area to send euro IPs outside business hours from payment accounts denominated in the national currency – 50 months



Timeline

