

SCOREBOARD

Corporate Actions – H1 2022

Luxembourgish NSG

Background

Since publication of the Collateral Management Harmonisation Report in December 2017, the Advisory Group on Market Infrastructures for Securities and Collateral (AMI-SeCo) has made a number of significant breakthroughs in its ambition to create a Single Collateral Management Rulebook for Europe (SCoRE).

What is SCoRE?

SCoRE defines common rules for managing collateral in Europe. These rules will replace the fragmented legacy standards, structural constraints and complex and diverse market practices that exist across Europe today. Implementation of SCoRE should remove operational impediments to the availability, usage and mobility of collateral. Market participants in AMI-SeCo have committed to implementing the SCoRE Rulebook, with the first set of rules due to be implemented by November 2023. Their implementation efforts are regularly monitored by AMI-SeCo which facilitates an active dialogue with market participants on issues related to the clearing and settlement of securities and to collateral management.

National stakeholder groups (NSGs) are coordination forums to support the implementation of the Single Collateral Management Rulebook for Europe. They have been established in the markets covered by the AMI-SeCo in order to support the implementation of the Single Collateral Management Rulebook for Europe.

The Single Collateral Management Rulebook for Europe contains 15 Standards related to the processing of corporate actions (published as the SCoRE Standards for Corporate Actions). Implementation progress is monitored twice per year.

Introduction

This summary report presents the results of the H1 2022 monitoring exercise conducted by the Luxembourgish NSG with the involvement among the following stakeholders:

- 2 CSDs Clearstream Banking Luxembourg, LuxCSD
- 2 TPAs Clearstream Banking Luxembourg, JP Morgan

2 Custodians

6 entities are monitored in the Luxembourgish market

The report focuses on the milestones to be met by the time the survey closed. In this monitoring exercise, participants were expected to have achieved all the milestones up to Milestone 6 inclusive as described in section 3 below.

Section 1 presents the key takeaways per entity type i.e. CSD, TPA, Custodian etc. Section 2 depicts for each entity type their compliance status with the standards. Section 3 focuses on the progress against the individual milestones and Section 4 provides concluding remarks.

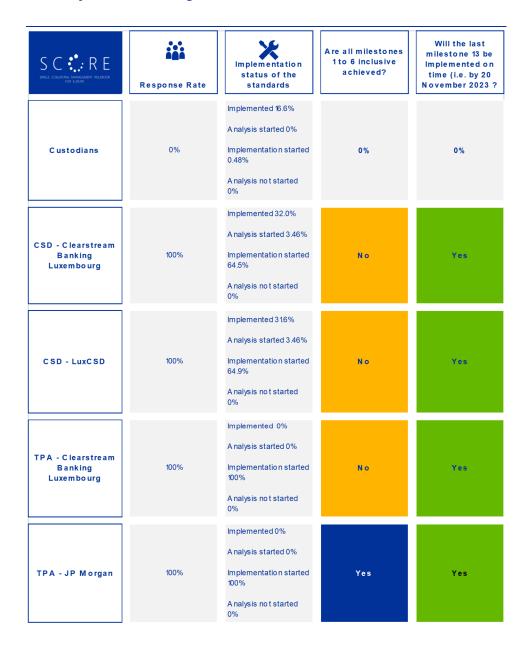
1 takeaways

Implementation of the Corporate Action Standards in the Luxembourgish market is on track The overall implementation of the Corporate Actions Standards in the Luxembourgish market is generally on track. However, further custodian and issuer engagement is needed in order to produce a fully representative picture of the status.

Clearstream Banking Luxembourg as CSD has already implemented 33% of the standards and is on track with implementation of the remaining standards. LuxCSD reports a similar compliance status (30.5% implemented). Clearstream Banking Luxembourg as TPA is still in the process of analysing standard one, which is the only relevant standard for TPAs. JP Morgan TPA is preparing for full compliance with Standard 1.

No custodians participated in the H1 2022 monitoring exercise.

Figure 1
Summary of the monitoring exercise



CSD – Clearstream Banking Luxembourg

CBL as CSD is on track

CBL as CSD is on track. The CSD Clearstream Banking Luxembourg has already implemented four out of the 15 standards (Standard 7, Standard 8, Standard 11: Default Option, Standard 14: Foreign Currency) and is on track with the remaining standards.

Clearstream Banking Luxembourg as CSD expects to be fully compliant by the implementation deadline agreed by the AMI-SeCo.

CSD - LuxCSD

LuxCSD is on track

LuxCSD is on track. LuxCSD has already implemented five out of 15 standards (Standard 7, Standard 8, Standard 11: Default Option, Standard 13: Reversal, and Standard 14: Foreign Currency) and is on track with the remaining standards.

LuxCSD expects to be fully compliant by the implementation deadline agreed by the AMI-SeCo.

TPA - Clearstream Banking Luxembourg

CBL as TPA is on track

The TPA Clearstream Banking Luxembourg is still in the process of analysing Standard 1, which is the only dedicated CA standard for TPAs.

Clearstream Banking Luxembourg as TPA expects to be fully compliant by the implementation deadline agreed by the AMI-SeCo.

TPA - JP Morgan

JP Morgan TPA is on track

The TPA JP Morgan is in the process of developing and implementing Standard 1, which is the only dedicated CA standard for TPAs, in view of achieving full compliance by November 2022.

Custodians

No custodians participated in the H2 2020 exercise

No custodians participated in the H1 2022 monitoring exercise with regard to the Corporate Actions Standards. During previous monitoring rounds, a high proportion of the Standards were reported as not applicable. The reasons cited for the non-applicability of the Standards shall be further analysed in view of increasing custodian engagement in the NSG's work.

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Banque centrale du Luxembourg is on track to adopt the SCoRE Standards Banque centrale du Luxembourg is on track to implement the SCoRE Standards for Corporate Actions for its collateral management activities as of the go-live of the ECMS.

2 Compliance level with the standards

This section provides an overview of the current status of compliance with the corporate actions standards. CSDs and TPAs are monitored on an individual basis and are assigned a colour-code status in accordance with the methodology outlined in figure 2 below. The replies of custodians and issuers from the AMI-SeCo community participating in the monitoring are presented on an aggregated basis per market and assigned a percentage representing their compliance status.

Figure 2
Standards implementation status as defined in the AMI-SeCo framework document



- The Standard has been implemented
- Implementation of the Standard is on schedule (based on the agreed milestones)
- Implementation is behind schedule (based on the agreed milestones)
- Implementation has not started

Table 1 Compliance level with the standards by each entity type

STANDARD	Custodians	CSD - Clearstream Banking Luxembourg	CSD - LuxCSD	TPA - Clearstream Banking Luxembourg	TPA - JP Morgan
1A: Notification	32%	G	G	G	G
1B: Instruction	0%	G	G	G	G
1C: Advise	0%	G	G	G	G
1D: Confirmation	0%	G	G	G	N/A
1E: Reversal	0%	G	G	G	G
1F: Meeting Notification	0%	G	G	G	G
1G: Meeting Instruction	0%	G	G	G	G
1H: Meeting Results	0%	Y	G	G	G
2: Calculation of Proceeds	24%	G	G		
3: Consistency of Information	30%	G	G		
4: Rounding Rule 1	0%	G	G		
4: Rounding Rule 2	50%	G	G		
4: Rounding Rule 3	0%	G	G		
4: Rounding Rule 4	50%	G	G		
4: Rounding Rule 5	50 %	В	В		
5: Negative Cash Flows	0%	G	G		
6: Business Day Rule		G	G		
7: Securities Amount Data Rule 1		В	В		
7: Securities Amount Data Rule 2		В			
7: Securities Amount Data Rule 3		В			
7: Securities Amount Data Rule 4		В			
8: Payment Time Rule 1		В			
8: Payment Time Rule 2		В			
8: Payment Time Rule 3		В			
8: Payment Time General Principle 3		В			
9: Processing Status	50%	G	G		
10: Blocking Rule 1	50%	Y	Y		
10: Blocking Rule 2	0%	Y	Y		
10: Blocking Rule 3	0%	Y	Y		
10: Blocking Rule 4	0%	Υ	Y		
10: Blocking Rule 5	0%	Υ	Y		
11: Default Option	50 %	В	В		
12: Handling of Fees	0%	Y	Y		
13: Reversal	0%	G	В		
14: Foreign Currency		В			
15: ISO 20022 Messaging	0%	G	G		

Notes:

- For CSDs and TPAs the colour-code reflects the current implementation status of each Standard in accordance with the methodology outlined in figure 1 above.

- 1 above.

 TPAs are using custody services provided by CSDs or Custodians in order to disseminate CA information to Collateral Givers and Collateral Takers. Monitoring of TPAs thus focuses on the implementation of triparty specific workflows described in Standard 1.

 For custodians, the percentage of custodians which have implemented standards / standards being under development and implementation. Issuers were asked to confirm awareness of their obligation to provide all relevant information to the Issuer CSD (on a Yes/No basis). The % reflects the number of issuers who responded yes to the survey

 Percentages are calculated on the basis of expected respondents, i.e. number of entities monitored in the market.

3 Progress towards the milestones

This section tracks market stakeholders progress in implementing the Standards against the 13 set milestones identified by AMI-SeCo.

The milestones facilitate consistent implementation across markets (given the long-term efforts that are needed) and avoid issues remaining undetected until the deadline of 20 November 2023 to achieve compliance and implementation of the standards.

Table 2Milestones identified by AMI-SeCo

Milestone	Description	Date
M1	Analysis Started: Have you commenced an in-depth analysis of all applicable SCoRE Standards in order to identify and document all the changes required to internal processes and procedures in order to comply with the SCoRE Standards?	
M2	Initial Communication: Has initial high-level communication with external stakeholders on the changes introduced by SCoRE commenced?	01/03/2021
М3	Analysis Completed: Have you completed an in-depth analysis of all applicable SCoRE Standards?	31/07/2021
M4	Documentation Completed: Have you documented all the internal processes and procedures which need to be adapted in order to comply with the SCoRE Standards?	31/12/2021
M5	Detailed External Communication: Has detailed communication started regarding (i) upcoming changes in business processes, (ii) messaging formats and usage guidelines (in the case of new messages based on non-registered latest drafts by SWIFT) and (iii) planned testing activities been provided to users?	31/12/2021
M6	SCORE Adaptation Started: Have you started to adapt/develop the processes and procedures in order to comply with the SCORE Standards?	01/01/2022
M7	SCORE Adaptation Complete: Have you completed the necessary adaptations/developments for the processes and procedures in order to comply with the SCORE Standards?	30/06/2022
M8	Internal Testing Started for SCoRE: Have you started to test the changes to your internal processes and procedures which have been introduced in order to comply with the SCoRE Standards?	01/07/2022
М9	Internal Testing Complete for SCoRE: Have you completed the necessary internal testing?	02/12/2022
M10	External Testing Started for SCoRE: Are you in a position to test the changes introduced in order to comply with the SCoRE Standards with your user community (i.e. CSD participants / Collateral Givers and Collateral Takers in the context of the Standards applicable to TPAs)?	
M11	Final External Communication on SCoRE: has final communication to users been provided (i.e. updated user guide to reflect the changes implemented, final message usage guidelines for A2A communication) related to the SCoRE Standards?	01/04/2023
M12	External Testing Completed for SCoRE: Is the testing of the changes introduced in order to comply with the SCoRE Standards with your user community completed (i.e. CSD participants / Collateral Givers and Collateral Takers in the context of the Standards applicable to TPAs)?	13/10/2023
M13	SCoRE Standards Implemented: have the SCoRE Standards been implemented?	20/11/2023

The current H1 2022 monitoring exercise focuses on milestones 1 to 6 given that Milestone 6 (with a deadline of 1 January 2022) was meant to have been achieved by the time the survey closed.

In each survey round, all the entities are asked to confirm (on a yes/no basis) whether the milestones will be met by the set milestones dates. If it is not the case, they are also asked the expected date for when the milestone will be reached.

For the milestones which had to be achieved by the time the survey closed: the blue colour code is assigned to those milestones that have been successfully achieved. Milestones that will only be achieved later than their set deadline are assigned a yellow status with indication of the likely date of achievement.

For the milestones that are only due to be achieved after the current reporting cycle: the green colour code indicates that the entity anticipates achieving that future milestone on time. A yellow status indicates that the milestone is foreseen to be met later than the set milestone date. In this case, the date of achievement anticipated is also indicated in the table.

Table 3Entities' expectation of achieving the milestones at the set dates

	CSD - Clearstrea m Banking Luxembour	CSD - LuxCSD	TPA - Clearstrea m Banking Luxembour g	TPA - JP Morgan
Milestone 1 June 2020	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Milestone 2 March 2021	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Milestone 3 July 2021	05/22	05/22	Yes	Yes
Milestone 4 December 2021	06/22	06/22	Yes	Yes
Milestone 5 December 2021	06/22	06/22	05/22	Yes
Milestone 6 January 2022	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Milestone 7 June 2022	03/23	03/23	03/23	Yes
Milestone 8 July 2022	01/23	01/23	01/23	Yes
Milestone 9 December 2022	04/23	04/23	04/23	Yes
Milestone 10 March 2023	05/23	05/23	05/23	Yes
Milestone 11 April 2023	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
M ilestone 12 October 2023	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Milestone 13 November 2023	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

4 Concluding remarks

All reporting entities confirm that the Standards will be implemented in accordance with the implementation deadline agreed by the AMI-SeCo.

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