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CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE EUROSYSTEM AS AT 20 AUGUST 2010

Items not related to monetary policy operations

In the week ending 20 August 2010 **gold and gold receivables** (asset item 1) remained unchanged.

The net position of the Eurosystem in foreign currency (asset items 2 and 3 minus liability items 7, 8 and 9) decreased by EUR 0.1 billion to EUR 191.2 billion on account of customer and portfolio transactions and US dollar liquidity-providing transactions (see below).

Extraordinary transactions

Value date	Type of transaction	Maturing amount	New amount	
19 August	7-day US dollar liquidity-	USD 0.4 billion	USD 0.04 billion	
2010	providing reverse transaction	030 0.4 01111011		

The liquidity-providing transactions were conducted by the Eurosystem in connection with the temporary reciprocal currency arrangement (swap line) that the European Central Bank has with the Federal Reserve System.

The holdings by the Eurosystem of securities other than those held for monetary policy purposes (asset item 7.2) increased by EUR 0.2 billion to EUR 298.5 billion. Banknotes in circulation (liability item 1) decreased by EUR 4.2 billion to EUR 815.7 billion. Liabilities to general government (liability item 5.1) increased by EUR 5.8 billion to EUR 79 billion.

Items related to monetary policy operations

The Eurosystem's net lending to credit institutions (asset item 5 minus liability items 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5 and 4) decreased by EUR 17.1 billion to EUR 452.6 billion. On Wednesday, 18 August 2010, a **main refinancing operation** of EUR 153.7 billion matured and a new one of EUR 155.2 billion was settled. On the same date, **fixed-term deposits** in an amount of EUR 60.5 billion matured and new deposits were collected in an amount of EUR 60.5 billion, with a maturity of one week.

Recourse to the **marginal lending facility** (asset item 5.5) was EUR 0.3 billion (approximately the same as in the previous week), while recourse to the **deposit facility** (liability item 2.2) was EUR 74.2 billion (compared with EUR 55.6 billion in the preceding week).

The holdings by the Eurosystem of securities held for monetary policy purposes (asset item 7.1) increased by EUR 327 million to EUR 121.8 billion. This is due to settled purchases of nearly EUR 338 million under the Securities Markets Programme which more than offset maturing bonds of EUR 10 million that were acquired under the euro-denominated covered bond purchase programme.

Current accounts of euro area credit institutions

As a result of all transactions, the **current account** position of credit institutions with the Eurosystem (liability item 2.1) decreased by EUR 17.9 billion to EUR 237.6 billion.

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Assets (EUR millions)	Balance	Difference compared with last week due to transactions	Liabilities (EUR millions)	Balance	Difference compared with last week due to transactions
1 Gold and gold receivables	351,970	0	1 Banknotes in circulation	815,653	-4,238
2 Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	234,036		2 Liabilities to euro area credit institutions related to monetary policy operations denominated in euro	372,422	761
Receivables from the IMF Balances with banks and security investments, external loans and other	73,935 160,101		Current accounts (covering the minimum reserve system)	237,576	
external assets			2.2 Deposit facility2.3 Fixed-term deposits	74,181 60,500	
3 Claims on euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	30,041	-431	2.4 Fine-tuning reverse operations2.5 Deposits related to margin calls	165	
4 Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in euro	18,387	·	3 Other liabilities to euro area credit institutions denominated in euro	1,979	815
4.1 Balances with banks, security investments and loans	18,387	7 1,424	4 Debt certificates issued	0) 0
4.2 Claims arising from the credit facility under ERM II	C	0	5 Liabilities to other euro area residents denominated in euro	85,824	5,717
5 Lending to euro area credit institutions related to monetary policy operations denominated in euro	587,419	1,577		78,962 6,862	
5.1 Main refinancing operations5.2 Longer-term refinancing operations5.3 Fine-tuning reverse operations	155,227 431,791	0	6 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in euro	40,973	377
5.4 Structural reverse operations5.5 Marginal lending facility5.6 Credits related to margin calls	340 61	87	7 Liabilities to euro area residents denominated in foreign currency	1,067	51
6 Other claims on euro area credit institutions denominated in euro	37,529	-2,000	denominated in foreign darrency	15,055	
7 Securities of euro area residents	420,281	532	8.1 Deposits, balances and other liabilities8.2 Liabilities arising from the credit facility under ERM II	15,055 0	
denominated in euro 7.1 Securities held for monetary policy	121,801	327	5 Counterpart of special drawing rights	56,711	0
purposes 7.2 Other securities	298,480	204	allocated by the IMF		

Totals/sub-totals may not add up, due to rounding					
Total assets	1,956,064	2,978			
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			Total liabilities	1,956,064	2,978
9 Other assets	241,360	2,289	12 Capital and reserves	78,191	(
in euro			11 Revaluation accounts	328,818	(
8 General government debt denominated	35,041	0	10 Other liabilities	159,370	359