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# **PRESS RELEASE**

# CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE EUROSYSTEM AS AT 21 SEPTEMBER 2012

## Items not related to monetary policy operations

In the week ending 21 September 2012, **gold and gold receivables** (asset item 1) increased by EUR 1 million due to purchases of gold coin by one Eurosystem central bank.

The net position of the Eurosystem in foreign currency (asset items 2 and 3 minus liability items 7, 8 and 9) increased by EUR 0.2 billion to EUR 235 billion on account of customer and portfolio transactions and US dollar liquidity-providing operations (see below).

#### **US** dollar liquidity operations

Value date	Type of transaction	Maturing amount	New amount	
20 September	7-day US dollar liquidity-	USD 3.8 billion	USD 3.7 billion	
2012	providing reverse			
	transaction			

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 marketable securities other than those held for monetary policy purposes (asset item 7.2) decreased by EUR 1 billion to EUR 318.3 billion. Banknotes in circulation (liability item 1) fell by EUR 2.3 billion to EUR 892.2 billion. Liabilities to general government (liability item 5.1) decreased by EUR 6.7 billion to EUR 94.1 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) increased by EUR 18.9 billion to EUR 670 billion. On Wednesday, 19 September 2012, a **main refinancing operation** of EUR 130.3 billion matured and a new one of EUR 119.8 billion was settled. On the same day, **fixed-term deposits** in an amount of EUR 209 billion matured and new deposits were collected in the same amount, with a maturity of one week. In the course of the week, **longer-term refinancing operations** amounting to EUR 0.1 billion were repaid before maturity.

Recourse to the **marginal lending facility** (asset item 5.5) was EUR 1 billion (compared with EUR 1 billion in the previous week), while recourse to the **deposit facility** (liability item 2.2) was EUR 305.6 billion (compared with EUR 335 billion in the preceding week).

The holdings by the Eurosystem of securities held for monetary policy purposes (asset item 7.1) increased by EUR 0.2 billion to EUR 279.4 billion. This increase was due to purchases of securities under the second covered bond purchase programme. Therefore, in the week ending 21 September 2012, the value of accumulated purchases under the Securities Markets Programme amounted to EUR 208.8 billion, while the values of the portfolios held under the first and second covered bond purchase programmes totalled EUR 54.7 billion and EUR 15.9 billion respectively. All three portfolios are accounted for on a held-to-maturity basis.

## 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) increased by EUR 24.1 billion to EUR 550.5 billion.

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1 Gold and gold receivables  2 Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency		Balance	Difference compared with last week due to transactions	1 Banknotes in circulation		892,185 1,067,643	Difference compared with last week due to transactions	
		433,779					·	
		261,479						
				instit	tutions related to monetary policy			
2.1 Rece	eivables from the IMF	90,848	-3	oper	ations denominated in euro			
	nces with banks and security stments, external loans and other	170,630	-1,074	2.1	Current accounts (covering the minimum reserve system)	550,482	24,062	
exte	rnal assets			2.2	Deposit facility	305,647	-29,402	
				2.3	Fixed-term deposits	209,000	) (	
3 Claims on euro area residents		42,001	-681	2.4	Fine-tuning reverse operations	C	) (	
denomin	ated in foreign currency			2.5	Deposits related to margin calls	2,515	-136	
4 Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in euro		17,865	<b>−1,460</b>	3 Other liabilities to euro area credit institutions denominated in euro		5,832	293	
4.1 Bala	nces with banks, security	17,865	-1,460					
inve	stments and loans			4 Debt	certificates issued	C	) (	
4.2 Clair	ms arising from the credit facility	0	0		certificates issued	·	,	
unde	er ERM II				lities to other euro area residents	115,778	-5,319	
5 Lending to euro area credit institutions		1,187,200	-10,641	5.1	General government	94,092	2 -6,728	
related to monetary policy operations				5.2	Other liabilities	21,687		
denomin	ated in euro			0.2	Curior industrial	21,007	1,100	
5.1 Main	refinancing operations	119,838	-10,504	6 Liabilities to non-euro area residents		170,639	46	
5.2 Longer-term refinancing operations		1,066,296	-90			170,030	70.	
5.3 Fine	-tuning reverse operations	0	0					
5.4 Struc	ctural reverse operations	0	0	7 Liahi	lities to euro area residents	3,560	-2,02 <sup>-</sup>	
5.5 Marg	ginal lending facility	971	-73		minated in foreign currency	0,000	_,	
5.6 Cred	dits related to margin calls	96	26		<b>,</b>			
				8 Liabi	lities to non-euro area residents	8,006	10	
6 Other claims on euro area credit		213,426	-1,116	deno	minated in foreign currency			
institutio	ns denominated in euro			8.1	Deposits, balances and other liabilities	8,006	107	
7 Securitie	7 Securities of euro area residents		-775	8.2	Liabilities arising from the credit	C	) (	
denomin	ated in euro				facility under ERM II			
7.1 Secu	urities held for monetary policy	279,383	217					
purp	oses	9 Counterpart of special drawin		nterpart of special drawing rights	56,886	;		
7.2 Other securities		318,259	-993		ated by the IMF			
otals/sub-tot	als may not add up, due to roundi	ng		Totals/sul	b-totals may not add up, due to round	ding		