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ECB Publishes Eligibility Criteria for CSDs in T2S

Further to our previous market newsflash, the Governing Council of the European Central Bank (ECB) has adopted five CSD eligibility criteria for TARGET2-Securities (T2S), which are as follows:

- CSDs in T2S should be recognised under Article 10 of the Settlement Finality Directive or, in the case of a non-EEA (European Economic Erea) jurisdiction, must operate under a legal and regulatory framework equivalent to the relevant parts of the acquis communautaire
- CSDs in T2S should have been positively assessed by the competent authorities against ESCB/CESR recommendations.
- Any CSD, which wishes to join T2S, must make each security/ISIN for which it is issuer CSD (or technical issuer CSD) available to other CSDs in T2S upon request.
- A CSD in T2S commits to offer to other CSDs in T2S basic custody services on a non-discriminatory basis.
- A CSD in T2S commits towards other CSDs in T2S to carry out its CeBM settlement in T2S if the currency is available in T2S.

These criteria, defined at a level of the basic principles, are a pre-condition for a CSD to join T2S and to remain in T2S. Furthermore, a continuous assessment of the criteria will be implemented and non-fulfilment of these criteria may lead to penalties which are to be specified contractually in the Framework Agreement between the Eurosystem and the participating CSDs.

The T2S Programme Board will need to further specify how these criteria will be implemented. More details are available here.

CSD Risk Impact

Euroclear Belgium (Belgium)

CSD Rating: A+

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = AA Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = A+ Flash Impact = On Watch

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NBB (Belgium)

CSD Rating: A+

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = AAA Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = A Flash Impact = On Watch

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Euroclear Finland (Finland)

CSD Rating: AA-

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = AA-Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = A+ Flash Impact = On Watch

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BOG (Greece)

CSD Rating: A+

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

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Current Rating = A+ Flash Impact = On Watch

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Clearstream Banking Frankfurt (Germany)

CSD Rating: AA-

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = AA+ Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = A+ Flash Impact = On Watch

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Euroclear UK & Ireland (UK)

CSD Rating: AA-

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Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

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Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

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Euroclear UK and Ireland Ltd (Ireland)

CSD Rating: AA-

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = AA Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = AA Flash Impact = On Watch

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HELEX S.A. (Greece)

CSD Rating: A+

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = A+ Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

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Malta CSD (Malta)

CSD Rating: A-

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = A+ Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = A-Flash Impact = On Watch

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CSDL (Lithuania)

CSD Rating: A

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = A Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = A+ Flash Impact = On Watch

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CDCR (Cyprus)

CSD Rating: A-

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = BB Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = A-Flash Impact = On Watch

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Estonian CSD (Estonia)

CSD Rating: A

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = A Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

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Euroclear France (France)

CSD Rating: AA-

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = AA Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = AA Flash Impact = On Watch

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Interbolsa (Portugal)

CSD Rating: A+

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = AA Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = A+ Flash Impact = On Watch

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ISD (Iceland)

CSD Rating: A

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = A-Flash Impact = On Watch Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = A+ Flash Impact = On Watch

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LCD (Latvia)

CSD Rating: A

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = A Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = A+ Flash Impact = On Watch

The CSD will use T2S for the settlement of Euro currency trades in parallel with its own settlement system for the settlement of domestic currency trades. Financial risk may be impacted if more transactions are settled in Euro to take advantage of the enhanced liquidity facilities inherent in T2S. Furthermore, the CSD may also face competition in the provision of other services such as custody services.

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Monte Titoli (Italy)

CSD Rating: AA

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = AA Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = AA-Flash Impact = On Watch

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NBR (Romania)

CSD Rating: A-

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = A+ Flash Impact = On Watch Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = BBB Flash Impact = On Watch

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Euroclear Nederland (Netherlands)

CSD Rating: AA-

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = AA Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = A+ Flash Impact = On Watch

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OeKB (Austria)

CSD Rating: A+

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = AA Flash Impact = On Watch

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Current Rating = A Flash Impact = On Watch

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CDCP (Slovak Republic)

CSD Rating: A-

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = A-Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = BBB Flash Impact = On Watch

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Iberclear (Spain)

CSD Rating: A+

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = AA Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = AA-Flash Impact = On Watch

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SIX SIS (Switzerland)

CSD Rating: AA

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

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Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = AA Flash Impact = On Watch

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VP Securities (Denmark)

CSD Rating: AA-

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = AA Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = AA Flash Impact = On Watch

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Euroclear Sweden (Sweden)

CSD Rating: AA

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = AA+ Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = AA Flash Impact = On Watch

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VPS (Norway)

CSD Rating: A

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = AA-Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = AA-Flash Impact = On Watch

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Central Depository SA (Romania)

CSD Rating: A-

CSD Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = A-Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = A Flash Impact = On Watch

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Infrastructure Risk Ratings Impact

Austria

Market Rating: A+

Market Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = A+ Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = A Flash Impact = On Watch

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Belgium

Market Rating: A+

Market Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = AA Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = A Flash Impact = On Watch

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Cyprus

Market Rating: A-

Market Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = A-Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = A-Flash Impact = On Watch

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Denmark

Market Rating: AA-

Market Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = AA Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = AA Flash Impact = On Watch

CSDs joining T2S whose settlements will be processed largely or entirely through T2S, will likely decommission their settlement services (part or in whole) impacting their traditional revenue streams. These CSDs may also face competition from their peers in the provision of other services such as custody services. Consequently, there will be an impact on Financial Risk as these CSDs will need to restructure their business models.

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Estonia

Market Rating: A

Market Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = A-Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = A Flash Impact = On Watch

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Finland

Market Rating: AA-

Market Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = AA-Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

Current Rating = A+ Flash Impact = On Watch

CSDs joining T2S whose settlements will be processed largely or entirely through T2S, will likely decommission their settlement services (part or in whole) impacting their traditional revenue streams. These CSDs may also face competition from their peers in the provision of other services such as custody services. Consequently, there will be an impact on Financial Risk as these CSDs will need to restructure their business models.

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France

Market Rating: AA-

Market Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

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Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

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Germany

Market Rating: AA-

Market Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

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Current Rating = A+ Flash Impact = On Watch

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Greece

Market Rating: A+

Market Flash Impact: On Watch

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Iceland

Market Rating: A

Market Flash Impact: On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Financial Risk

Current Rating = BBB Flash Impact = On Watch

Impacted Risk Type: Operational Risk

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Ireland

Market Rating: AA-

Market Flash Impact: On Watch

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Italy

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Latvia

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Malta

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Netherlands

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Norway

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Portugal

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Romania

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Slovak Republic

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Spain

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Sweden

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Switzerland

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UK

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