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## **EBA CLEARING further improves liquidity recycling capabilities in EURO1**

### **Additional liquidity distribution windows introduced at 11:00 and 12:00**

EBA CLEARING is pleased to announce the successful introduction of two additional liquidity distribution windows in EURO1. The new distribution windows at 11:00 and 12:00 CET were activated on 2<sup>nd</sup> May as planned, following the formal approval received from the Overseer. The two new windows in the morning bring the number of EURO1 liquidity distributions throughout the day to six.

At the same time, EBA CLEARING changed the distribution percentage for the equal share distribution to EURO1 Participants with a long credit position, moving it from 60 percent to 40 percent of the credit cap.

Both enhancements have further optimised the efficiency of liquidity distributions in EURO1. During the first two days since the introduction of these changes, 97 percent of the pre-funded amounts paid in by the EURO1 Participants were distributed.

“We welcome the new enhancements brought to the EURO1 system,” said Gerhard Scherer, Head of Intraday Cash Management at Deutsche Bank and member of the Treasury and Liquidity Group at EBA CLEARING. “The additional liquidity distribution windows put banks in a position to further improve their liquidity recycling capabilities in EURO1. This is particularly important at a time where the cost of liquidity is expected to increase.”

“We are pleased about the smooth implementation of these liquidity efficiency improvements in EURO1,” said Alan Taylor, Director, EURO1/STEP1 Services at EBA CLEARING. “We would like to kindly remind the participants to re-assess the amount of their direct debit limits set for the liquidity distributions. This will enable them to maximise their benefit from these new enhancements.”

*For more information about how to change the direct debit limit amounts, please consult Participant Information Note 14 sent on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2011 or the IWS User Guide, sections 4.1.5 to 4.1.6 and 6.1.4 to 6.1.5.*