THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular the first and fourth indents of Article 127(2) thereof,

Having regard to the Statute of the European System of Central Banks and of the European Central Bank, and in particular Article 3.1 and Articles 17, 18 and 22 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) The Eurosystem has decided to promote the establishment of CoreNet as an alternative/contingency network service to be used by the Eurosystem central banks and connected national central banks to have access to the Payments Module of the single shared platform (SSP) in a contingency mode and as an alternative channel for accessing the customer-related services system (CRSS).

(2) As a result, Guideline ECB/2012/27 of 5 December 2012 on a Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer system (TARGET2) (1) needs to be amended to add provisions with regard to the use of CoreNet as an alternative/contingency network for TARGET2,

HAS ADOPTED THIS GUIDELINE:

Article 1

Amendments to Guideline ECB/2012/27

1. Definition (5) of Article 2 of Guideline ECB/2012/27 shall be amended as follows:

‘(5) “network service provider” means a provider of computerised network connections for the purpose of submitting payment messages in TARGET2. Computerised network connections are provided through SWIFT, and additionally for Eurosystem internal communication, through CoreNet.’.

2. The following definitions (52) and (53) shall be inserted in Article 2 of Guideline ECB/2012/27:

‘(52) “CoreNet” means the internal Eurosystem network service provided by the ECB and used by the Eurosystem CBs as a contingency network to access the SSP in the event that SWIFT is unavailable and as an alternative network to SWIFT to access the CRSS;

(53) “Customer-related services system (CRSS)” provides core and optional services to Eurosystem CBs, i.e. archiving, billing optional services, query and report optional services and customer relationship optional services.’.

Article 2

Taking effect and implementation

This Guideline shall enter into force on the day of its notification to the national central banks of the Member States whose currency is the euro. It shall apply from 1 January 2014.

Article 3

Addressees

This Guideline applies to all Eurosystem CBs.

Done at Frankfurt am Main, 26 September 2013.

For the Governing Council of the ECB

The President of the ECB

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