



## **ECMS | The ECMS in the TARGET Contingency Case**

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# Eurosystem Collateral Management System (ECMS) Agenda



### **Principles**

## **Provision of liquidity**

- Current generation options
- Changes with go-live
- Future generation options in ECMS

Credit Freezing in ECMS

## Eurosystem Collateral Management System (ECMS) Principles



- If the normal operation of CLM and/or RTGS is disrupted, the emergency solution ECONS II
   (Enhanced Contingency Solution II) can be activated for the limited maintenance of payment
   transactions.
- In contrast to normal operation, the contingency accounts of the counterparties can only be managed on a credit basis.
- This makes it necessary for the participating counterparties to hold "starting liquidity" for the contingency case during normal operations or to generate new liquidity during the use of ECONS II for reinforcement.
- With the start of operations of the Eurosystem Collateral Management System (ECMS), the migration
  of monetary policy collateral accounts for critical T2 participants will be accompanied by
  changes in the provision of liquidity in the contingency case (ECONS II).

## Eurosystem Collateral Management System (ECMS) Current generation options of liquidity



- All monetary policy counterparties currently have the option of providing collateral to collateral account 3
  as precautionary collateral for the TARGET contingency case:
  - In **the contingency case**, the collateral value of the collateral is **automatically** transferred to the contingency account of the counterparties.
  - With this option, **liquidity can be increased** at any time by strengthening the collateral, but cannot be reduced.
- Critical T2 participants currently have the option of automatically transferring the not used free lending value from collateral account 1 to collateral account 3:
  - The prerequisites for this are: an **existing fixed credit line** in the monetary policy collateral pool before the contingency occurs and a binding **booking authorisation**.

## Eurosystem Collateral Management System (ECMS) Future generation options of liquidity in ECMS



- Pool design in the ECMS

- The desired liquidity for the ECONS transfer is determined with the credit freezing block (type ECON) (further explanations on system behaviour on slide 16)
- In ECMS it is still possible to transfer not used collateral from the monetary policy pool to the ECON pool (analogue additional collateral account or collateral account 3) to generate additional liquidity in the contingency case.
  - The prerequisite for this is
    - an established ECON pool and
    - · an existing maximum credit line (MaCL) in the monetary policy collateral pool.
- The counterparties can use the multipooling function to transfer individual securities to the segregated ECON pool.

## Eurosystem Collateral Management System (ECMS) Future generation options of liquidity in ECMS

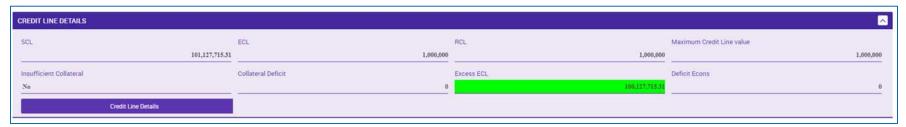


- Irrespective of this, counterparties can also deliver collateral to the separate ECON pool in ECMS in advance of a possible contingency case.
- In addition, collateral can continue to be deposited directly into the ECON pool during an already activated contingency case; this leads directly to a corresponding increase in liquidity in ECONS II.
- In the contingency case, all eligible assets of the Eurosystem can be mobilised via the usual eligible mobilisation channels (domestic, cross-border and triparty).

## Eurosystem Collateral Management System (ECMS) Utilisation of free liquidity EUCO in the ECON pool\*



### Example: Utilisation of liquidity EUCO (monetary policy pool) in the CLM contingency case



Suggested CL	101.127.715,31	(SCL; free collateral value)
Maximum CL	1.000.000	(= CLM credit line)

**Difference = Excess ECL 100.127.715,31** 

- The Excess ECL (= Difference Suggested CL MaCL) is generally available for shifting liquidity from the EUCO pool (monetary policy) to the ECON pool (CLM contingency) because CLM communication is not required.
  - Either use of the multipooling (rebooking) function or
  - Delivery from the EUCO pool and direct (re-)delivery to the ECON pool

# Eurosystem Collateral Management System (ECMS) Future generation options of liquidity in ECMS



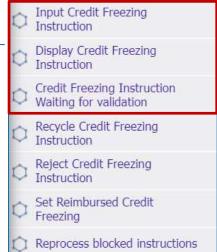
- In ECMS, collateral for contingency cases can already be blocked during normal operation using the "Credit Freezing" function.
- ECMS will automatically transfer the resulting collateral value to the ECONS II module as a liquidity injection when the emergency solution is activated.
- For legal reasons, the Bundesbank will separate the pools and securities accounts for the collateral held in the
  monetary policy collateral account and those for the TARGET contingency case in the operational organisation of the
  collateral accounts in the ECMS.
- The creation of credit freezing is therefore only possible in the separate ECON pool:

Collateral account number	Name	Function
1	Counterparty Pool for monetary policy	Collateralisation of monetary policy operations and intraday credit on the primary MCA account
3	Counterparty Pool for ECONS II Module (ECON-Pool)	Provision for the TARGET contingency case



- Module Collateral and Credit ("MegaLend")
  - Menu items "Credit Freezing" (Main menus "Exposure" & "Notification")







### Relevant ECMS user roles:

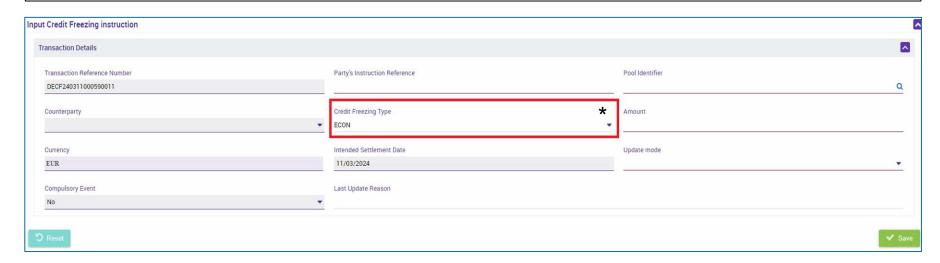
- ECMS Entity U2A Credit Freezing (Execution)
- Super Validator



Menu item	Submenu items	Descriptions		
Credit	Input Credit Freezing Instruction	Creation of Credit Freezing Instructions		
Freezing	Display Credit Freezing Instruction	<ul> <li>View on Credit Freezing Instructions</li> </ul>		
	Credit Freezing Instruction Waiting for Validation	<ul> <li>Confirmation / Rejection of Credit Freezing Instructions (4- eyes principle)</li> </ul>		
Credit Freezing Notifications	Credit Freezing Instruction Status	<ul> <li>Viewing (status) information of processed Credit Freezing Instructions (and possibly processing).</li> </ul>		



- Screen "Input Credit Freezing Instruction" for creating a Credit Freezing Instruction
- Collateral and Credit >> Exposure >> Credit Freezing >> Input Credit Freezing Instruction





Attributes Credit Freezing Instruction in ECMS			
Attribute name	Description		
Transaction Reference Number	<ul> <li>Identifier (assigned by ECMS) for the identification of the Credit Freezing Instruction.</li> </ul>		
Party's Instruction Reference	<ul> <li>Identifier (assigned by the instructing party) for the identification of the Credit Freezing Instruction.</li> </ul>		
Pool Identifier	<ul> <li>Identifier of the counterparty pool for which the Credit Freezing is being instructed.</li> </ul>		
Counterparty	<ul> <li>RIAD code of the counterparty (automatically set according to the Pool Identifier).</li> </ul>		
Credit Freezing Type	<ul> <li>Credit Freezing Type (predefined by the Eurosystem and previously assigned by the NCB user for each counterparty or counterparty pool).</li> </ul>		
Amount	Amount of the Credit Freezing Instruction in Euro.		
Intended Settlement Date	<ul> <li>Current ECMS business day (automatically set by ECMS).</li> </ul>		
Currency	Currency of the Credit Freezing Instruction (Default: EUR).		
Update Mode	<ul> <li>DELTA or CANCEL AND REPLACE (regarding the previous Credit Freezing Position).</li> </ul>		
Compulsory Event	<ul> <li>Yes / No (= Mandatory reduction of the Credit Line, automatically set by ECMS based on the Credit Freezing Type).</li> </ul>		
Last Update Reason • Optional: Reason for the last update (free text).			

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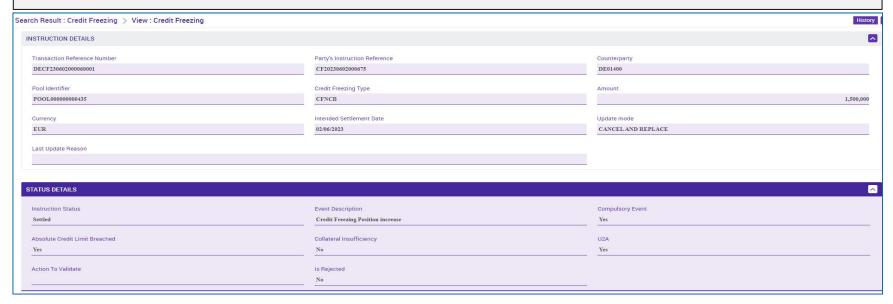


- Screen "Search Result: Credit Freezing" for displaying the search results for Credit Freezing Instructions
- Collateral and Credit >> Exposure >> Credit Freezing >> Display Credit Freezing Instruction >>
  Click on Search Button (after entering search criteria, if necessary)





- Screen "View: Credit Freezing" for the detailed view of a Credit Freezing Instruction
- Collateral and Credit >> Exposure >> Credit Freezing >> Display Credit Freezing Instruction >>
  Click on Search Button (after entering search criteria, if necessary) >> Select Credit Freezing
  Instruction >> Click on View Button.





- Screen "Search Result: Credit Freezing Instruction Status Notification" for displaying (and potentially processing) information about processed Credit Freezing Instructions.
- Collateral and Credit >> Notification >> Credit Freezing Notifications >> Credit Freezing Instruction
   Status >> Click on Search Button (after entering search criteria, if necessary).





- The credit freezing block relevant for the CLM contingency case (type: ECON) is stored in the ECON pool of the business partner
- The change of a credit freezing position via credit freezing instruction can be requested both in U2A mode and in A2A message format (daily until 17.45 CET).

### Example with Credit Freezing

Example without Credit Freezing

Before ECONS

# Collateral Value Credit Freezing 10.000.000 6.000.000

Collateral Value	Credit Freezing		
10.000.000	0		

Activation of CLM-Contingency-Mode

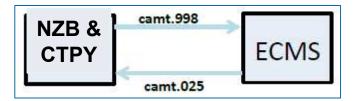
→ Automatic transfer of liquidity totalling € 6,000,000 to the ECONS II module, Possibility of subsequently blocking the remaining € 4 million during the active CLM contingency case

→ No automatic transfer of liquidity, possibility of subsequent blocking of the collateral portfolio during the active CLM contingency case

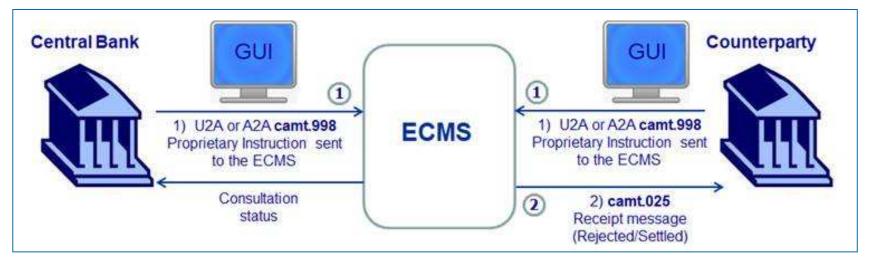
Collateral that is transferred to the ECON pool during the activated contingency case automatically increases the credit freezing block by the
corresponding lending value and generates the transfer to the ECONS II module in parallel; no adjustment is necessary.



Updating a Credit Freezing from ECMS perspective:



ISO-Nachricht	ISO-Code	from	to
CreditFreezingUpdate (Create / Remove or Update)	camt.998	NZB & CTPY	ECMS
Receipt (Settled / Rejected)	camt.025	ECMS	NZB & CTPY



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# Eurosystem Collateral Management System (ECMS) Important Information for Testing on 3rd of April (ECMS UTEST)



The focus of the test is the handling of the "credit freezing block" and the technical transfer from ECMS to the ECONS II module

- ➤ Liquidity is generally available to all counterparties in the ECON pool, so no prior collateral posting is necessary.
- ➤ Counterparties are requested to implement a corresponding credit freezing block (type ECON) with the desired liquidity in the ECON pool in advance of the test, optionally a block adjustment (increase) can also be tested during the activated contingency case.
- ➤ At the end of the test, <u>NO derecognition from the **ECONS II module**</u> is required. We will carry out the transfer for you.

Please do not make any (subsequent) bookings (payments) in ECONS during the test.

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## Thank you very much for your attention.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.







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