

## **Money Market Report for the week ending 26 November 2021**

### **ECB Monetary Operations**

On 22 November 2021, the European Central Bank (ECB) announced the 7-day main refinancing operations (MRO). The operation was conducted on 23 November 2021 and attracted bids from euro area eligible counterparties of €157.00 million, €15.00 million less than the previous week. The amount was allotted in full at a fixed rate equivalent to the prevailing MRO rate of 0.00%, in accordance with current ECB policy.

On 24 November 2021, the ECB conducted the three-month, longer-term refinancing operation to be settled as a fixed rate tender procedure with full allotment, with the rate fixed at the average MRO rate over the life of the operation. The operation attracted bids of €10.00 million from euro area eligible counterparties.

Also on 24 November 2021, the ECB conducted a 6-day US dollar funding operation through collateralised lending in conjunction with the US Federal Reserve. This operation attracted bids of \$217.50 million, which was allotted in full at a fixed rate of 0.33%.

### **Domestic Treasury Bill Market**

In the domestic primary market for Treasury bills, the Treasury invited tenders for 28-day and 91-day bills for settlement value 25 November 2021, maturing on 23 December 2021 and 24 February 2022, respectively. Bids of €51.00 million were submitted for the 28-day bills, with the Treasury accepting €26.00 million, while bids of €58.72 million were submitted for the 91-day bills, with the Treasury accepting €18.00 million. Since €57.00 million worth of bills matured during the week, the outstanding balance of Treasury bills decreased by €13.00 million, standing at €645.00 million.

The yield from the 28-day bill auction was -0.424%, increasing by 0.8 basis points from bids with a similar tenor issued on 18 November 2021, representing a bid price of €100.0330 per €100 nominal. The yield from the 91-day bill auction was -0.433%, decreasing by 0.7 basis point from bids with a similar tenor also issued on 18 November 2021, representing a bid price of €100.1096 per €100 nominal.

During this week, there was no trading on the Malta Stock Exchange.

This week the Treasury will invite tenders for 28-day and 91-day bills maturing on 30 December 2021 and 3 March 2022, respectively.