

## **Money Market Report for the week ending 12 January 2024**

### **ECB Monetary Operations**

On 8 January 2024, the European Central Bank (ECB) announced the 7-day main refinancing operations (MRO). The operation was conducted on 9 January 2024 and attracted bids from euro area eligible counterparties of €5,960.00 million, €1,414.50 million less than the previous week. The amount was allotted in full at a fixed rate equivalent to the prevailing MRO rate of 4.50%, in accordance with current ECB policy.

On 10 January 2024, the ECB conducted a 7-day US dollar funding operation through collateralised lending in conjunction with the US Federal Reserve. This operation attracted bids of \$216.00 million, which were allotted in full at a fixed rate of 5.58%.

### **Domestic Treasury Bill Market**

In the domestic primary market for Treasury bills, the Treasury invited tenders for 91-day and 182-day bills for settlement value 11 January 2024, maturing on 11 April and 11 July 2024, respectively. Bids of €70.87 million were submitted for the 91-day bills, with the Treasury accepting €12.33 million, while bids of €11.48 million were submitted for the 182-day bills, with the Treasury accepting €9.70 million. Since €22.42 million worth of bills matured during the week, the outstanding balance of Treasury bills decreased by €0.39 million, standing at €656.84 million.

The yield from the 91-day bill auction was 3.546%, decreasing by 5.10 basis points from bids with a similar tenor issued on 4 January 2024, representing a bid price of €99.1116 per €100 nominal. The yield from the 182-day bill auction was 3.467%, increasing by 1.80 basis points from bids with a similar tenor also issued on 4 January 2024, representing a bid price of €98.2774 per €100 nominal.

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

This week the Treasury will invite tenders for 91-day and 182-day bills maturing on 18 April and 18 July 2024, respectively.