

Money Market Report for the week ending 14 June 2024

ECB Monetary Operations

On 10 June 2024, the European Central Bank (ECB) announced the 7-day main refinancing operations (MRO). The operation was conducted on 11 June 2024 and attracted bids from euro area eligible counterparties of €2,178.00 million, €149.00 million less than the previous week. The amount was allotted in full at a fixed rate equivalent to the prevailing MRO rate of 4.25%, in accordance with current ECB policy.

On 12 June 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 \$119.60 million, which were allotted in full at a fixed rate of 5.58%.

During the week under review, participants in the third series of targeted longer-term refinancing operations 9 and 10 had the option of terminating or reducing their outstanding amount before maturity. Accordingly, on 26 June 2024, a total of €17,105.57 million will be repaid.

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 13 June 2024, maturing on 12 September and 12 December 2024, respectively. Bids of €113.32 million were submitted for the 91-day bills, with the Treasury accepting €30.97 million, while bids of €38.97 million were submitted for the 182-day bills, with the Treasury accepting €4.77 million. Since €41.46 million worth of bills matured during the week, the outstanding balance of Treasury bills decreased by €5.72 million, standing at €541.98 million.

The yield from the 91-day bill auction was 3.562%, increasing by 0.40 basis point from bids with a similar tenor issued on 6 June 2024, representing a bid price of €99.1076 per €100 nominal. The yield from the 182-day bill auction was 2.980%, decreasing by 1.80 basis points from bids with a similar tenor also issued on 6 June 2024, representing a bid price of €98.5158 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 19 September and 19 December 2024, respectively.