

Money Market Report for the week ending 2 May 2025

ECB Monetary Operations

On 28 April 2025, the European Central Bank (ECB) announced the 7-day main refinancing operation (MRO). The operation was conducted on 29 April 2025 and attracted bids from euro area eligible counterparties of €15,609.00 million, €1,405.00 million more than the previous week. The amount was allotted in full at a fixed rate equivalent to the prevailing MRO rate of 2.40%, in accordance with current ECB policy.

Also on 29 April 2025, 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 €4,398.00 million from euro area eligible counterparties.

On 30 April 2025, 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 \$60.00 million, which were allotted in full at a fixed rate of 4.58%.

Domestic Treasury Bill Market

In the domestic primary market for Treasury bills, the Treasury invited tenders for 92-day and 183-day bills for settlement value 30 April 2025, maturing on 31 July and 30 October 2025, respectively. Bids of €44.22 million were submitted for the 92-day bills, with the Treasury accepting €40.63 million, while bids of €42.40 million were submitted for the 183-day bills, with the Treasury accepting €15.46 million. Since €61.14 million worth of bills matured during the week, the outstanding balance of Treasury bills decreased by €5.06 million, standing at €575.34 million.

The yield from the 92-day bill auction was 2.106%, increasing by 3.50 basis points from bids with a similar tenor issued on 24 April 2025, representing a bid price of €99.4647 per €100 nominal. The yield from the 183-day bill auction was 2.103%, increasing by 0.90 basis points from bids with a similar tenor also issued on 24 April 2025, representing a bid price of €98.9423 per €100 nominal.

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

This week the Treasury will invite tenders for 91-day and 273-day bills maturing on 7 August 2025 and 5 February 2026, respectively.