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Consolidated financial statement of the Eurosystem as at 8 March 2024

In the week ending 8 March 2024 the net position of the Eurosystem in foreign currency (asset items 2 and 3 minus liability items 7, 8 and 9) increased by EUR 0.5 billion to EUR 317.3 billion.

The net balance of open market operations and standing facilities (asset item 5 minus liability items 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5 and 4) rose by EUR 28 billion to -EUR 3,062.5 billion. This was due primarily to the change in the level of the **deposit facility** (liability item 2.2).

Base money (liability items 1, 2.1 and 2.2) grew by EUR 5.8 billion to EUR 5,205.4 billion.

The table below provides the detailed breakdown of **securities held for monetary policy purposes** (asset item 7.1) into the different portfolios. All portfolios are accounted for at amortised cost.

Table 1

| Monetary policy securities portfolios | Reported value as at 8 March 2024 | Weekly change – purchases ^[1] | Weekly change – redemptions |
|--|--------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Securities Markets Programme | EUR 2.4 billion | - | - |
| Covered bond purchase programme 3 | EUR 277.0 billion | - | -EUR 1.8 billion |
| Asset-backed securities purchase programme | EUR 12.5 billion | - | -EUR 0.0 billion |
| Public sector purchase programme | EUR 2,351.0 billion | - | -EUR 0.3 billion |
| Corporate sector purchase programme | EUR 318.2 billion | - | -EUR 0.5 billion |
| Pandemic emergency purchase programme | EUR 1,669.0 billion | +EUR 4.6 billion | -EUR 0.6 billion |

[1] With the discontinuation of the reinvestments under the asset purchase programme, this column may sometimes show negative amounts. These are expected to be infrequent and would result from sales of securities conducted, for instance, for risk management purposes.

The content and format of the weekly financial statement are set out in Annexes IV to VI of Guideline (EU) 2016/2249 of the European Central Bank of 3 November 2016 on the legal framework for accounting and financial reporting in the European System of Central Banks (<u>ECB/2016/34</u>).

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| Assets | Balance as at 8 March 2024 | Difference compared with last week due to transactions | Liabilities | Balance as at 8 March 2024 | Difference compared with last week due to transactions |
|--|-------------------------------|--|--|-------------------------------|--|
| 1 Gold and gold receivables | 649 094 | -3 | 1 Banknotes in circulation | 1 543 359 | 699 |
| 2 Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency | 499 887 | -1 406 | 2 Liabilities to euro area credit institutions related to monetary policy operations denominated in euro | 3 662 105 | 5 052 |
| 2.1 Receivables from the IMF | 229 619 | -194 | 2.1 Current accounts (covering the minimum reserve system) | 197 994 | 34 891 |
| 2.2 Balances with banks and security investments, external loans and other external assets | 270 269 | -1 212 | 2.2 Deposit facility | 3 464 083 | -29 838 |
| 3 Claims on euro area residents denominated in foreign currency | 15 120 | 1 357 | 2.3 Fixed-term deposits | 0 | 0 |
| 4 Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in euro | 15 412 | 269 | 2.4 Fine-tuning reverse operations | 0 | 0 |
| 4.1 Balances with banks, security investments and loans | 15 412 | 269 | 2.5 Deposits related to margin calls | 28 | 0 |
| 4.2 Claims arising from the credit facility under ERM II | 0 | 0 | 3 Other liabilities to euro area credit institutions denominated in euro | 33 056 | -258 |
| 5 Lending to euro area credit institutions related to monetary policy operations denominated in euro | 401 615 | -1 822 | 4 Debt certificates issued | 0 | 0 |
| 5.1 Main refinancing operations | 3 571 | -1 773 | 5 Liabilities to other euro area residents denominated in euro | 229 856 | 1 411 |
| 5.2 Longer-term refinancing operations | 398 044 | 0 | 5.1 General government | 148 240 | -2 360 |
| 5.3 Fine-tuning reverse operations | 0 | 0 | 5.2 Other liabilities | 81 616 | 3 771 |
| 5.4 Structural reverse operations | 0 | 0 | 6 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in euro | 191 632 | -5 610 |
| 5.5 Marginal lending facility | 0 | -49 | 7 Liabilities to euro area residents denominated in foreign currency | 17 037 | 259 |
| 5.6 Credits related to margin calls | 0 | 0 | 8 Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency | 3 576 | -811 |
| 6 Other claims on euro area credit institutions denominated in euro | 23 729 | -13 509 | 8.1 Deposits, balances and other liabilities | 3 576 | -811 |
| 7 Securities of euro area residents denominated in euro | 4 832 661 | 2 003 | 8.2 Liabilities arising from the credit facility under ERM II | 0 | 0 |
| 7.1 Securities held for monetary policy purposes | 4 630 121 | 1 457 | 9 Counterpart of special drawing rights allocated by the IMF | 177 116 | 0 |
| 7.2 Other securities | 202 540 | 546 | 10 Other liabilities | 215 231 | -7 522 |
| 8 General government debt denominated in euro | 20 853 | O | 11 Revaluation accounts | 634 891 | 0 |
| 9 Other assets | 354 817 | 6 331 | 12 Capital and reserves | 105 329 | 0 |
| Total assets | 6 813 189 | -6 780 | Total liabilities | 6 813 189 | -6 780 |

Totals / sub-totals may not add up owing to rounding.

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