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Update on the Euribor reform

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Recent communication from EMMI

30 October 2015 Public consultation on the evolution of Euribor: http://www.emmi-benchmarks.eu/assets/files/Euribor_Paper.pdf

13 April 2016 Summary of the stakeholder feedback: http://www.emmi-benchmarks.eu/assets/files/D0106C-2016%20Euribor%20Position%20Paper%20Feedback%20Summary_Final.pdf

The new timeline now envisaged by EMMI expects the go-live of the new methodology for the H1 2017 instead of July 2016 due to the pre-live verification exercise.

Last meetings and outcome

- 30 October 2015: Public consultation on the evolution of Euribor
- 13 April 2016: Publication of the summary of the stakeholder feedback;
- 22 April 2016: the last Euribor workshop discussed the way forward and the outcome of the consultation.
- Main points:
- Agreement for a transactional contribution model;
- Agreement for transaction- based methodology;
- Agreement on the fallback arrangements (Tier 1 and Tier 2 system);
- ➤ EMMI's Board of Directors and General Assembly approved the changes in May 2016.

Way forward

- The pre-live verification program Guidelines for the panel banks should be soon published by EMMI (beginning of June).
- EMMI will publish a white paper describing the various design and methodological considerations assessed by the Euribor+ TF (end of June);
- EMMI has created a Legal Working Group to assess and fully understand the legal consequences and implications of a seamless transition for Furibor.

Recent ECB communication

"...ECB expects banks as active users of Euribor to take responsibility for the benchmark and to stand behind its production as contributors with the launch of the new calculation methodology..."

"...If the private sector fails to assume responsibility for the benchmark, given the major consequences at stake, the ECB would support the possibility of mandating the banks judged as relevant to contribute to the benchmark under the newly voted EU Regulation..."

Keynote address by Benoît Cœuré at the Government Borrowers Forum, Paris, 3 May 2016