

OUTCOME OF THE 21ST MEETING OF TARGET CONSOLIDATION CONTACT GROUP (TCCG)

8 April 2021 - 10:00 to 13:00

01. Introduction

The Chairperson of the Contact Group will welcome the participants and open the meeting introducing the Agenda.

Outcome

The Chairperson, Jean Clement, welcomed the participants and introduced the agenda. Following that, he explained that since February, certain aspects of T2-T2S Consolidation project are being reviewed on the Bundesbank side. Except for some changes in the release allocation of some change requests, this situation is not expected to impact the User Testing.

02. Status Update on T2-T2S Consolidation Project

02.01 The Contact Group members will be provided with a status update on the project activities and deliverables.

Document:

- *Status Update on T2-T2S Consolidation project (Presentation ECB)*

Outcome

The ECB project team presented the status update on the T2-T2S Consolidation project covering the different project workstreams: Specifications (UDFS, UHB), Development, Testing and Migration as well as Community and Operational Readiness. In particular, it was reported that the UDFS v2.2 was published on 01 April 2021, together with updated usage guidelines in MyStandards and in the readiness portal, the updated glossary as well as a cover note which

includes relevant details on the changes performed on the UDFS version. The URD v2.2 was also part of this publication delivery.

A TCCG member requested to bring forward the publication of UDFS v3.0 to June 2022 instead of September 2022 as currently foreseen in order to give early visibility to market participants on the changes. While explaining that changing the plan at current stage can be hardly achieved, the project team reassured the participants that they will get visibility on those changes through the multiplex changes that will be published on regular basis between the publication of the UDFS v2.2 and 3.0.

03. Specifications (UDFS, UHB)

03.01 The Contact Group members will be provided with a status update on the UDFS and UHB.

Document:

- *T2-T2S Consolidation Specifications - Status update (Presentation 4CB)*

Outcome

The 4CB project team provided an update on the status of the T2-T2S Consolidation project specifications. In this context, participants were provided further details on the list of change requests that were reflected in the UDFS v2.2 that was published on the ECB website on the 01st April 2021. In addition, they received more information on the delivery timeline of the different books composing the UHB v2.0.

04. Change requests on T2-T2S Consolidation

04.01 The participants will receive an update on the status of the change requests on T2-T2S Consolidation URDs and UDFS.

Document:

- *Status update on URD and UDFS change requests (Presentation ECB)*

The ECB project team provided a status update of the T2-T2S Consolidation change requests. In detail, participants were provided with an overview of all changes requests highlighting on one hand ongoing change requests and on the other hand MIB-approved change requests split

between those included in the UDFS v2.2 and those impacting future UDFS and/or UHBs. In case of MIB-approved change requests, it was mentioned they were already published on the ECB website or not.

05. T2S Change Requests – Consolidation Project Triggered

05.01 The participants will be provided with a status update on the T2S change requests stemming from the Consolidation project following the discussion of these CRs in the T2S Governance.

Document:

- Status update on Change Requests on T2S due to T2-T2S Consolidation (Oral debrief)

Outcome

The ECB project team provided an oral update on the status of the T2S Change Requests stemming from the T2-T2S Consolidation project or linked to the Consolidation. In particular, participants were updated on the status of 2 CRs: 1) the CR 697 on billing foreseen for the release R5.2 that has been updated to include also details on how the current long-term information module of T2S (LTSI) will be prepared to be ready ahead of the migration of its data to the new DWH in 2022 and 2) the CR 700 on the legal archiving for which the detailed assessment was received from the 4CB on 08 April 2021.

06. Functional topics

The participants will be presented with various functional topics:

06.01 Instructions of multi-addressee payments

The participants will be updated on the status on the TCCG request for examples on the way to instruct multi-addressee payments.

06.02 Practical examples combining BAH + Payload

The participants will be updated on the status on the TCCG request for practical message examples integrating BAH and Payload.

06. Functional topics

06.03 Status update on the structured address written procedure

Following the collection of structured address information, the participants will be provided with an oral update on the status

Documents:

- *Instructions of multi-addressee payments (Oral debrief ECB)*
- *Practical examples integrating BAH + Payload (Oral debrief ECB)*
- *Status update on the structured address written procedure (Oral debrief ECB)*

Outcome

Instructions of multi-addressee payments

The ECB project team provided an update on the status of the TCCG request to have some examples on the way to instruct multi-addressee payments. In this regard, it was explained that the examples preparation activity is ongoing. With the help of a TCCG member, some examples have been prepared and are currently being reviewed by 4CB. They will be shared with the TCCG once they are ready.

Practical examples integrating BAH + Payload

The ECB project team updated the participants on the status on the TCCG request for practical message examples integrating BAH and Payload. The participants were informed that this request has been recorded and that the ECB is assessing with the help of 4CB the feasibility to develop such examples. Similarly, the ECB will analyse the additional request from a TCCG member for a concrete example combining the use of a file (BFH) including multiple messages (BAH + payload) and the technical wrapper (head.003). The TCCG will be kept informed on the outcome.

Status update on the structured address written procedure

Regarding the collection of structured address information, the participants received an update on the following points:

- 1) Following the TCCG request for an update on the timeline for the implementation of the structured information, the ECB project team reported that the question of the month on the topic has been updated and will be presented under the agenda 07. Market enquiries and then published on the ECB website

- 2) The ECB project team informed that it is still working on the request of the TCCG to get the attention and involvement of other RTGS operators on the need to make ISO 20022 compliant the main ERPs systems that are still not. The participants will be kept informed.
- 3) Concerning the collection of address information, the ECB team reported that the work is progressing. Data related to 17 markets are ready and the discussion are still ongoing for 4 markets. Following the proposal from the ECB project team, it was agreed to wait until all the data for the 21 markets ready before sharing them with the Payment Market Practice Group (PMPG).

07. Market enquiries

07.01 The participants will be presented with a selection of market enquiries received since the last TCCG meeting.

Document:

- *Questions of the month (Presentation ECB)*

Outcome

The first question was enquiring whether a pacs.008 STP can be sent via RTGS. The ECB project team explained that a pacs.008 STP can be sent to T2 RTGS, as the STP Usage Guideline (UG) is compliant with the T2 RTGS UG. However, it cannot be flagged as STP using the business service element in the BAH, which is how CBPR+ foresees it.

The second question was related to a request from a market participant for an example message of camt.053 exceeding 32MB. The ECB project team provided details on the implementation solution foreseen for the camt.053 message, explaining that a camt.053 will always be sent as a message, with a BAH, not a BFH. The BFH is only relevant for inbound communications into RTGS, not outbound communications from RTGS. Regarding the communication channel, it was explained that in case a camt.053 is large, the communication will switch from the message-based channel to the file-based channel. If it is very large, it may also be paginated, but it will still involve messages (BAH) and not files (BFH).

The third question was a follow-up from the last TCCG meeting requesting an update on the timeline of the structured address information. The ECB project team explained that the introduction of structured address information for debtor and creditor in payment messages is a key business benefit of the migration to ISO 20022 and follows a staggered approach due to the need of interoperability during the co-existence phase of ISO 20022 MX and FIN MT messages between Nov 2022 and Nov 2025:

- In general, if address must be used, it is recommended to use structured address only
- As of Nov 2022: Effective with the start of the co-existence phase it is expected to use a structured address of the Debtor and Creditor, if a payment is initiated by the Debtor's Agent in ISO 20022 which will be the case for T2 participants
- As of Nov 2023: also for payments initiated on FIN or by an MI not on ISO 20022 yet, the same strong recommendation to use a structured address of the Debtor and Creditor applies
- As of Nov 2025: The unstructured "address line" element will be removed in payment messages

Regarding the third question, one TCCG member expressed a concern about the deadline of Nov 2023, especially regarding the technical feasibility for achieving this. Following the explanation by the ECB, it was agreed not to deviate from this timeline as it is a replication of the one outlined by the HVPS+.

One participant reiterated a previous request submitted by a Jira ticket to mention in the UDFS the expectation that the uncompressed size of any business message for payment orders does not exceed 100 kB. The project team restated the previous answer that the size of pacs messages in RTGS shall not be subject to technical limitations as 1) this would undermine the benefit of ISO20022 and 2) that any restriction introduced today will be difficult to remove at a later stage. Therefore, participants were encouraged to address this issue from an IT perspective, for example by developing in-house solutions to handle such cases. The ECB project team will present this topic as a question of the month for the next TCCG meeting, subsequently published on the ECB website to raise the market awareness and get a full alignment across actors at the Eurosystem level.

08. Any Other Business

The next Contact Group meeting is planned to be held via WebEx, on 12 May 2021.

After the Contact Group meetings, all meeting documents will be published on the ECB homepage (link: <https://www.ecb.europa.eu/paym/groups/html/documents.en.html?skey=TCCG>)

Outcome

One participant highlighted the overlap between date of the next TCCG meeting on 12 May 2021 and the first session of T2-T2S consolidation training for Eurosystem Central Banks. It was agreed that the project team will double check and propose a new date for the next TCCG meeting.