



## **PRESS RELEASE**

# MONETARY DEVELOPMENTS IN THE EURO AREA: JANUARY 2011

The annual growth rate of M3 decreased to 1.5% in January 2011, from 1.7% in December 2010. The three-month average of the annual growth rates of M3 over the period November 2010 - January 2011 stood at 1.7%, compared with 1.6% in the period October 2010 - December 2010.

| I2-month percentage changes; adjusted for seasonal and end-of-month calendar effects | NOVEMBER<br>2010 | DECEMBER<br>2010 | JANUARY<br>2011 | NOVEMBER 2010 -<br>JANUARY 2011<br>AVERAGE |
|--|------------------|------------------|-----------------|--|
| M3   | 2.1              | 1.7              | 1.5             | 1.7  |
| MI   | 4.6              | 4.4              | 3.2             | 4.1  |
| Loans to private sector  | 2.0              | 1.9              | 2.4             | 2.1  |

Regarding the main components of M3, the annual rate of growth of M1 decreased to 3.2% in January 2011, from 4.4% in December. The annual rate of change of short-term deposits other than overnight deposits increased to 1.1% in January, from -0.5% in the previous month. The annual rate of change of marketable instruments decreased to -4.2% in January, from -2.0% in December.

Turning to the main counterparts of M3 on the asset side of the consolidated balance sheet of the MFI sector, the annual growth rate of total credit granted to euro area residents increased to 3.8% in January 2011, from 3.4% in the previous month. The annual rate of growth of credit extended to general government stood at 11.6% in January, unchanged from the previous month, while the annual growth of credit extended to the private sector increased to 2.0% in January, from 1.6% in the previous month. Among the components of the latter, the annual growth rate of loans to the private sector increased to 2.4% in January, from 1.9% in the previous month (adjusted for loan sales and securitisation<sup>2</sup> the annual growth rate of loans to the private sector increased to 2.7%, from 2.3% in the previous month). The annual rate of change of loans to non-financial corporations increased to 0.4% in January, from -0.2% in December. The annual growth rate of loans to households increased to 3.1% in January, from 2.9% in the previous month. The annual rate of growth of lending for house purchase increased to 3.9% in January, from 3.7% in the previous month. The annual rate of change of consumer credit increased to -0.8% in January, from

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These rates of change refer to aggregates adjusted for seasonal and end-of-month calendar effects.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Adjusted for the derecognition of loans from the MFI statistical balance sheet due to their sale or securitisation. The annual growth rate of loans adjusted for sales and securitisation is available at: <a href="http://sdw.ecb.int/search.do?type=serieskey&q=BSI.M.U2.Y.U.A26.A.I.U2.22^0.Z01.A">http://sdw.ecb.int/search.do?type=serieskey&q=BSI.M.U2.Y.U.A26.A.I.U2.22^0.Z01.A</a>

-1.0% in December, while the annual growth rate of other lending to households increased to 2.8% in January, from 2.6% in the previous month. Finally, the annual rate of growth of loans to non-monetary financial intermediaries (except insurance corporations and pension funds) increased to 7.0% in January, from 5.1% in the previous month.

Over the I2 months up to January 2011, the net external asset position of the euro area MFI sector decreased by EUR 88 billion, compared with a decrease of EUR 83 billion over the I2 months up to December. The annual rate of growth of longer-term financial liabilities of the MFI sector decreased to 3.6% in January, from 3.8% in December.

#### Notes

- In addition to the monthly monetary developments for the reference month, this press release incorporates minor revisions to the data for previous months.
- The latest data on monetary aggregates and counterparts contained in the statistical annex to this press release can be downloaded from the ECB's Statistical Data Warehouse (<a href="http://sdw.ecb.europa.eu/browse.do?node=bbn1863">http://sdw.ecb.europa.eu/browse.do?node=bbn1863</a>). These data, as well as monthly and other shorter-term growth rates for selected items, longer time series for principal monetary aggregates (with a start date of January 1970) and methodological notes on the concepts underlying the monetary statistics and the related seasonal adjustment procedures, are also available on the ECB's website (<a href="http://www.ecb.europa.eu/stats/money/aggregates/aggr/html/index.en.html">http://www.ecb.europa.eu/stats/money/aggregates/aggr/html/index.en.html</a>).
- Data refer to the changing composition of the euro area, i.e. they cover the EU Member States that had adopted the euro at the time to which the statistics relate. Data on outstanding amounts include Greece as of January 2001, Slovenia as of January 2007, Cyprus and Malta as of January 2008, Slovakia as of January 2009 and Estonia as of January 2011.
- The publication of the statistics on monetary developments in February 2011, March 2011 and April 2011 is scheduled to take place at 10 am on 25 March 2011, 29 April 2011 and 27 May 2011 respectively.

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#### DATA ADJUSTED FOR SEASONAL EFFECTS

(EUR billions and annual percentage changes a))

|       |   | DECEMBER 2010      |                    |                    | JANUARY 2011          |                    |                    | AVERAGE<br>NOV-10<br>JAN-11 |
|-------|---|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
|       |   | End of month level | Monthly<br>flow b) | Annual growth rate | End of<br>month level | Monthly<br>flow b) | Annual growth rate | Annual growth rate          |
| COM   | PONENTS OF M3 °)  |                    |                    |                    |                       |                    |                    |                             |
| (1)   | <b>M3</b> (= items 1.3, 1.6 and 1.11)                                       | 9524               | -14                | 1.7                | 9481                  | -48                | 1.5                | 1.7                         |
| (1.1) | Currency in circulation   | 790                | -6                 | 4.6                | 803                   | 12                 | 5.5                | 5.2                         |
| (1.2) | Overnight deposits  | 3911               | 27                 | 4.4                | 3891                  | -23                | 2.7                | 3.8                         |
| (1.3) | M1 (items 1.1 and 1.2)  | 4701               | 21                 | 4.4                | 4693                  | -11                | 3.2                | 4.1                         |
| (1.4) | Deposits with agreed maturity up to 2 years                                 | 1775               | -26                | -6.9               | 1806                  | 30                 | -3.2               | -5.9                        |
| (1.5) | Deposits redeemable at notice up to 3 months                                | 1909               | -5                 | 6.2                | 1913                  | 3                  | 5.6                | 6.3                         |
| (1.6) | Other short term deposits (items 1.4 and 1.5)                               | 3684               | -31                | -0.5               | 3720                  | 33                 | 1.1                | 0.1                         |
| (1.7) | <b>M2</b> (items 1.3 and 1.6)   | 8386               | -10                | 2.2                | 8413                  | 23                 | 2.3                | 2.3                         |
| (1.8) | Repurchase agreements   | 443                | 10                 | 28.2               | 393                   | -49                | 25.6               | 30.0                        |
| (1.9) | Money market fund shares/units  | 575                | -15                | -14.9              | 549                   | -26                | -16.8              | -15.0                       |
| ` '   | Debt securities issued with maturity up to 2 years                          | 121                | 1                  | -13.7              | 125                   | 4                  | -10.8              | -12.9                       |
|       | Marketable instruments (items 1.8, 1.9 and 1.10)                            | 1138               | -4                 | -2.0               | 1068                  | -71                | -4.2               | -1.9                        |
|       | NTERPARTS OF M3 iabilities:   |                    |                    |                    |                       |                    |                    |                             |
| (2)   | Holdings against central government d)                                      | 317                | -32                | 7.0                | 328                   | 11                 | 13.4               | 12.8                        |
| (3)   | Longer-term financial liabilities against                                   | 7314               | 3                  | 3.8                | 7333                  | 43                 | 3.6                | 3.8                         |
|       | other euro area residents (= items 3.1 to 3.4)                              |                    |                    |                    |                       |                    |                    |                             |
| (3.1) | Deposits with agreed maturity over 2 years                                  | 2436               | -5                 | 4.5                | 2443                  | 9                  | 3.8                | 4.3                         |
| (3.2) | Deposits redeemable at notice over 3 months                                 | 118                | -1                 | -5.8               | 118                   | 0                  | -5.4               | -5.8                        |
| (3.3) | Debt securities issued with maturity over 2 years                           | 2750               | 5                  | 2.2                | 2766                  | 27                 | 1.9                | 1.9                         |
| (3.4) | Capital and reserves  | 2009               | 3                  | 6.0                | 2005                  | 7                  | 6.4                | 6.5                         |
| MFI a | assets:   |                    |                    |                    |                       |                    |                    |                             |
| (4)   | Credit to euro area residents (= items 4.1 and 4.2)                         | 16610              | -92                | 3.4                | 16673                 | 53                 | 3.8                | 3.7                         |
| (4.1) | Credit to general government  | 3243               | -46                | 11.6               | 3242                  | -3                 | 11.6               | 12.1                        |
|       | of which Loans  | 1231               | -1                 | 20.2               | 1226                  | -5                 | 18.5               | 19.3                        |
|       | of which Securities other than shares                                       | 2012               | -44                | 7.0                | 2016                  | 2                  | 7.9                | 8.2                         |
| (4.2) | Credit to other euro area residents   | 13367              | -46                | 1.6                | 13431                 | 55                 | 2.0                | 1.9                         |
|       | of which Loans e)   | 11028              | -16                | 1.9                | 11066                 | 31                 | 2.4                | 2.1                         |
|       | memo item: loans adjusted for sales & securitisation <sup>f)</sup>          | ND                 | -13                | 2.3                | ND                    | 21                 | 2.7                | 2.4                         |
|       |   |                    |                    |                    |                       |                    |                    |                             |
|       | of which Securities other than shares<br>of which Shares and other equities | 1533<br>806        | -20<br>-9          | 0.1<br>0.8         | 1552<br>812           | 20<br>5            | -0.2<br>1.9        | 0.5<br>1.4                  |
| (5)   | Net external assets   | 609                | 54                 | ND                 | 580                   | 4                  | ND                 | ND                          |
| (6)   | Other counterparts of M3 (residual)<br>(= M3 + items 2, 3 - items 4, 5)     | -65                | -5                 | ND                 | -111                  | -50                | ND                 | ND                          |

a) Figures may not add up due to rounding. The information in this table is based on consolidated balance sheet statistics reported by monetary financial institutions (MFIs). These include the Eurosystem, credit institutions and money market funds located in the euro area.

b) Calculated from the monthly difference in levels adjusted for reclassifications, exchange rate variations, other revaluations and any other changes which do not arise from transactions.

c) Liabilities of monetary financial institutions (MFIs) and specific units of the central government (post offices, treasury) vis-à-vis non-MFI euro area residents excluding central government.

d) Includes holdings of the central government of deposits with the MFI sector and of securities issued by the MFI sector.

e) For further breakdowns see Table 4.

f) Adjusted for the derecognition of loans from the MFI statistical balance sheet due to their sale or securitisation.

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#### DATA UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONAL EFFECTS

(EUR billions and annual percentage changes a))

|          |  | DECEMBER 2010 |            |             | JA          | AVERAGE<br>NOV-10<br>JAN-11 |             |             |
|----------|--|---------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|          |  | End of        | Monthly    | Annual      | End of      | Monthly                     | Annual      | Annual      |
|          |  | month level   | flow b)    | growth rate | month level | flow b)                     | growth rate | growth rate |
| COM      | PONENTS OF M3 °)   |               |            |             |             |                             |             |             |
| (1)      | <b>M3</b> (= items 1.3, 1.6 and 1.11)                                | 9573          | 52         | 1.6         | 9495        | -83                         | 1.4         | 1.7         |
| (1.1)    | Currency in circulation  | 809           | 18         | 5.0         | 796         | -13                         | 5.1         | 5.2         |
| (1.2)    | Overnight deposits   | 3945          | 47         | 3.8         | 3915        | -32                         | 2.7         | 3.6         |
| (1.3)    | M1 (items 1.1 and 1.2)   | 4754          | 65         | 4.0         | 4712        | -45                         | 3.1         | 3.9         |
| (1.4)    | Deposits with agreed maturity up to 2 years                          | 1814          | 4          | -6.2        | 1798        | -17                         | -3.4        | -5.7        |
| (1.5)    | Deposits redeemable at notice up to 3 months                         | 1905          | 21         | 6.2         | 1925        | 19                          | 5.6         | 6.3         |
| (1.6)    | Other short term deposits (items 1.4 and 1.5)                        | 3719          | 24         | -0.2        | 3723        | 3                           | 1.0         | 0.1         |
| (1.7)    | M2 (items 1.3 and 1.6)   | 8472          | 89         | 2.1         | 8435        | -42                         | 2.2         | 2.2         |
| (1.7)    | Repurchase agreements  | 427           | -5         | 28.7        | 391         | -37                         | 25.3        | 29.8        |
| ` ′      | Money market fund shares/units                                       | 552           | -33        | -14.9       | 544         | -57<br>-9                   | -16.8       | -15.0       |
|          | Debt securities issued with maturity up to 2 years                   |               |            |             |             |                             | -10.8       | -13.0       |
|          |  | 121           | 1          | -13.7       | 125         | 4                           |             |             |
| (1.11)   | Marketable instruments (items 1.8, 1.9 and 1.10)                     | 1100          | -37        | -1.9        | 1060        | -41                         | -4.2        | -1.9        |
|          | NTERPARTS OF M3 iabilities:  |               |            |             |             |                             |             |             |
| (2)      | Holdings against central government d)                               | 264           | -97        | 6.8         | 316         | 52                          | 13.6        | 13.0        |
| (3)      | Longer-term financial liabilities against                            | 7329          | 33         | 3.8         | 7328        | 23                          | 3.6         | 3.8         |
|          | other euro area residents (= items 3.1 to 3.4)                       |               |            |             |             |                             |             |             |
| (3.1)    | Deposits with agreed maturity over 2 years                           | 2449          | 20         | 4.5         | 2446        | -2                          | 3.8         | 4.3         |
| (3.2)    | Deposits redeemable at notice over 3 months                          | 119           | -1         | -5.8        | 120         | 2                           | -5.3        | -5.8        |
| (3.3)    | Debt securities issued with maturity over 2 years                    | 2736          | -4         | 2.2         | 2750        | 25                          | 1.9         | 1.9         |
| (3.4)    | Capital and reserves   | 2025          | 17         | 6.0         | 2012        | -1                          | 6.4         | 6.6         |
| MFI a    | assets:  |               |            |             |             |                             |             |             |
| (4)      | Credit to euro area residents (= items 4.1 and 4.2)                  | 16597         | -116       | 3.4         | 16653       | 45                          | 3.8         | 3.7         |
| (4.1)    | Credit to general government   | 3216          | -72        | 11.7        | 3239        | 21                          | 11.7        | 12.1        |
| <u> </u> | of which Loans   | 1236          | 4          | 20.1        | 1233        | -3                          | 18.5        | 19.3        |
|          | of which Securities other than shares                                | 1980          | -76        | 7.1         | 2006        | 23                          | 7.9         | 8.2         |
| (4.2)    | Credit to other euro area residents                                  | 13381         | -44        | 1.6         | 13414       | 25                          | 2.0         | 1.9         |
| -/       | of which Loans   | 11033         | -18        | 1.9         | 11063       | 23                          | 2.4         | 2.1         |
|          | memo item: loans adjusted for sales & securitisation <sup>e)</sup>   | ND            | -15        | 2.3         | ND          | 12                          | 2.7         | 2.5         |
|          | of which Securities other than shares                                | 1549          | -15        | 0.1         | 1537        | -12                         | -0.2        | 0.5         |
|          | of which Shares and other equities                                   | 800           | -13<br>-11 | 0.1         | 815         | 13                          | -0.2<br>1.9 | 1.4         |
| (5)      | Net external assets  | 629           | 49         | ND          | 597         | 1                           | ND          | ND          |
| (6)      | Other counterparts of M3 (residual) (= M3 + items 2, 3 - items 4, 5) | -61           | 54         | ND          | -111        | -54                         | ND          | ND          |

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b) Calculated from the monthly difference in levels adjusted for reclassifications, exchange rate variations, other revaluations and any other changes which do not arise from transactions.

c) Liabilities of monetary financial institutions (MFIs) and specific units of the central government (post offices, treasury) vis-à-vis non-MFI euro area residents excluding central government.

d) Includes holdings of the central government of deposits with the MFI sector and of securities issued by the MFI sector.

e) Adjusted for the derecognition of loans from the MFI statistical balance sheet due to their sale or securitisation.

# CONTRIBUTIONS OF M3 COMPONENTS TO THE M3 ANNUAL GROWTH RATE: JANUARY 2011 DATA ADJUSTED FOR SEASONAL EFFECTS

(contributions in terms of the M3 annual percentage change  $^{a)}$ )

NOVEMBER 2010 DECEMBER 2010 JANUARY 2011 (1) **M1** 2.2 2.1 1.5 0.4 0.4 (1.1) of which: Currency 0.4 (1.2) of which: Overnight deposits 1.7 1.7 1.1 -0.2 (2) **M2 - M1** (= other short-term deposits) -0.2 0.5 (3) **M3 - M2** (= short-term marketable instruments) 0.1 -0.2 -0.5 **M3** (= items 1, 2 and 3) (4) 2.1 1.7 1.5

TABLE 4

### BREAKDOWN OF LOANS BY COUNTERPART, TYPE AND ORIGINAL MATURITY: JANUARY 2011

DATA ADJUSTED FOR SEASONAL EFFECTS

(EUR billions and annual percentage changes <sup>a)</sup>)

|       |  | ]                  | DECEMBER           | R 2010             | JANUARY 2011       |                    |                    |  |
|-------|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--|
|       |  | End of month level | Monthly<br>flow b) | Annual growth rate | End of month level | Monthly<br>flow b) | Annual growth rate |  |
| BRE   | AKDOWN OF LOANS <sup>c)</sup>  |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |  |
| (1)   | Loans to non-financial corporations  | 4664               | -25                | -0.2               | 4692               | 24                 | 0.4                |  |
| (1.1) | up to 1 year   | 1126               | -9                 | -3.6               | 1148               | 21                 | -1.8               |  |
| (1.2) | over 1 year and up to 5 years  | 901                | -8                 | -2.4               | 897                | -5                 | -2.2               |  |
| (1.3) | over 5 years   | 2638               | -8                 | 2.2                | 2647               | 8                  | 2.4                |  |
| (2)   | Loans to households d)   | 5156               | 23                 | 2.9                | 5183               | 23                 | 3.1                |  |
| (2.1) | Consumer credit  | 640                | -3                 | -1.0               | 638                | -1                 | -0.8               |  |
| (2.2) | Lending for house purchase   | 3698               | 26                 | 3.7                | 3721               | 20                 | 3.9                |  |
| (2.3) | Other lending  | 818                | 0                  | 2.6                | 824                | 4                  | 2.8                |  |
| (3)   | Loans to non-monetary financial intermediaries except insurance corporations and pension funds | 1112               | -13                | 5.1                | 1099               | -12                | 7.0                |  |
| (4)   | Loans to insurance corporations and pension funds  | 96                 | -1                 | 8.4                | 92                 | -4                 | 6.5                |  |

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b) Calculated from the monthly difference in levels adjusted for write-offs/write-downs, reclassifications, exchange rate variations and any other changes which do not arise from transactions.

c) Loans granted by monetary financial institutions (MFIs) to non-MFI euro area residents excluding general government.

d) Includes loans to non-profit institutions serving households.