

GUIDELINES

GUIDELINE OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK

of 10 December 2012

amending Guideline ECB/2010/20 on the legal framework for accounting and financial reporting in the European System of Central Banks

(ECB/2012/29)

(2012/833/EU)

THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK,

Having regard to the Statute of the European System of Central Banks and of the European Central Bank, and in particular Articles 12.1, 14.3 and 26.4 thereof,

Having regard to the contribution of the General Council of the European Central Bank pursuant to the second and third indents of Article 46.2 of the Statute of the European System of Central Banks and of the European Central Bank,

Whereas:

(1) Guideline ECB/2010/20 of 11 November 2010 on the legal framework for accounting and financial reporting in the European System of Central Banks ⁽¹⁾ lays down the rules for standardising the accounting and financial reporting of operations undertaken by the national central banks.

(2) Annex IV to Guideline ECB/2010/20 already provides, in non-mandatory terms, under liability item 13 'Provisions' the possibility of establishing provisions for foreign exchange rate, interest rate, credit and gold price risks. In view of the importance of ensuring that national central banks have sufficient financial resources to cover the significant risks arising from their activities and without prejudice to national accounting rules on risk provisions, it is considered necessary to strengthen this option by inserting it in the enacting terms of Guideline ECB/2010/20. The recommendation does not prevent national central banks from maintaining or creating provisions for additional risks according to their national accounting rules.

(3) The financial reporting of emergency liquidity assistance operations should be harmonised and claims resulting

from such operations should be mentioned in Annex IV to Guideline ECB/2010/20 under asset item 6 'Other claims on euro area credit institutions denominated in euro'.

(4) Guideline ECB/2010/20 needs to be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS GUIDELINE:

Article 1

Amendments

Guideline ECB/2010/20 is amended as follows:

1. The following is added as Article 6a:

'Article 6a

Provision for foreign exchange rate, interest rate, credit and gold price risks

Taking into due consideration the nature of the activities of the NCBs, an NCB may establish a provision for foreign exchange rate, interest rate, credit and gold price risks on its balance sheet. The NCB shall decide on the size and use of the provision on the basis of a reasoned estimate of the NCB's risk exposure.'

2. Annex IV to Guideline ECB/2010/20 is replaced by the Annex to this Guideline.

Article 2

Entry into force

This Guideline shall enter into force on 31 December 2012.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 35, 9.2.2011, p. 31.

*Article 3***Addressees**

This Guideline applies to all Eurosystem central banks.

Done at Frankfurt am Main, 10 December 2012.

For the Governing Council of the ECB

The President of the ECB

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ANNEX

'ANNEX IV

COMPOSITION AND VALUATION RULES FOR THE BALANCE SHEET ⁽¹⁾

ASSETS

| Balance sheet item ⁽¹⁾ | | Categorisation of contents of balance sheet items | Valuation principle | Scope of application ⁽²⁾ | |
|-----------------------------------|-----|---|---|--|---|
| 1 | 1 | Gold and gold receivables | Physical gold, i.e. bars, coins, plates, nuggets in storage or "under way". Non-physical gold, such as balances in gold sight accounts (unallocated accounts), term deposits and claims to receive gold arising from the following transactions: (a) upgrading or downgrading transactions; and (b) gold location or purity swaps where there is a difference of more than one business day between release and receipt | Market value | Mandatory |
| 2 | 2 | Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency | Claims on counterparties resident outside the euro area including international and supranational institutions and central banks outside the euro area denominated in foreign currency | | |
| 2.1 | 2.1 | Receivables from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) | <p>(a) <i>Drawing rights within the reserve tranche (net)</i> National quota minus balances in euro at the disposal of the IMF. The No 2 account of the IMF (euro account for administrative expenses) may be included in this item or under the item "Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in euro"</p> <p>(b) <i>SDRs</i> Holdings of SDRs (gross)</p> <p>(c) <i>Other claims</i> General arrangements to borrow, loans under special borrowing arrangements, deposits made to trusts under the management of the IMF</p> | <p>(a) <i>Drawing rights within the reserve tranche (net)</i> Nominal value, translation at the foreign exchange market rate</p> <p>(b) <i>SDRs</i> Nominal value, translation at the foreign exchange market rate</p> <p>(c) <i>Other claims</i> Nominal value, translation at the foreign exchange market rate</p> | Mandatory Mandatory Mandatory |
| 2.2 | 2.2 | Balances with banks and security investments, external loans and other external assets | <p>(a) <i>Balances with banks outside the euro area other than those under asset item 11.3 "Other financial assets"</i> Current accounts, fixed-term deposits, day-to-day money, reverse repo transactions</p> | <p>(a) <i>Balances with banks outside the euro area</i> Nominal value, translation at the foreign exchange market rate</p> | Mandatory |

⁽¹⁾ Disclosure relating to euro banknotes in circulation, remuneration of net intra-Eurosystem claims/liabilities resulting from the allocation of euro banknotes within the Eurosystem, and monetary income should be harmonised in NCBs published annual financial statements. The items to be harmonised are indicated with an asterisk in Annexes IV, VIII and IX.

| Balance sheet item ⁽¹⁾ | | Categorisation of contents of balance sheet items | Valuation principle | Scope of application ⁽²⁾ |
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| | | <p>(b) <i>Security investments outside the euro area other than those under asset item 11.3 "Other financial assets"</i></p> <p>Notes and bonds, bills, zero bonds, money market paper, equity instruments held as part of the foreign reserves, all issued by non-euro area residents</p> | <p>(b) (i) <i>Marketable securities other than held-to-maturity</i></p> <p>Market price and foreign exchange market rate</p> <p>Any premiums or discounts are amortised</p> | Mandatory |
| | | | <p>(ii) <i>Marketable securities classified as held-to-maturity</i></p> <p>Cost subject to impairment and foreign exchange market rate</p> <p>Any premiums or discounts are amortised</p> | Mandatory |
| | | | <p>(iii) <i>Non-marketable securities</i></p> <p>Cost subject to impairment and foreign exchange market rate</p> <p>Any premiums or discounts are amortised</p> | Mandatory |
| | | | <p>(iv) <i>Marketable equity instruments</i></p> <p>Market price and foreign exchange market rate</p> | Mandatory |
| | | <p>(c) <i>External loans (deposits) outside the euro area other than those under asset item 11.3 "Other financial assets"</i></p> | <p>(c) <i>External loans</i></p> <p>Deposits at nominal value translated at the foreign exchange market rate</p> | Mandatory |
| | | <p>(d) <i>Other external assets</i></p> <p>Non-euro area banknotes and coins</p> | <p>(d) <i>Other external assets</i></p> <p>Nominal value, translation at the foreign exchange market rate</p> | Mandatory |
| 3 | 3 | <p>Claims on euro area residents denominated in foreign currency</p> <p>(a) <i>Security investments inside the euro area other than those under asset item 11.3 "Other financial assets"</i></p> <p>Notes and bonds, bills, zero bonds, money market paper, equity instruments held as part of the foreign reserves, all issued by euro area residents</p> | <p>(a) (i) <i>Marketable securities other than held-to-maturity</i></p> <p>Market price and foreign exchange market rate</p> <p>Any premiums or discounts are amortised</p> | Mandatory |
| | | | <p>(ii) <i>Marketable securities classified as held-to-maturity</i></p> <p>Cost subject to impairment and foreign exchange market rate</p> <p>Any premiums or discounts are amortised</p> | Mandatory |
| | | | <p>(iii) <i>Non-marketable securities</i></p> <p>Cost subject to impairment and foreign exchange market rate</p> <p>Any premiums or discounts are amortised</p> | Mandatory |

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| | | | (iv) <i>Marketable equity instruments</i> Market price and foreign exchange market rate | Mandatory |
| | | (b) <i>Other claims on euro area residents other than those under asset item 11.3 "Other financial assets"</i> Loans, deposits, reverse repo transactions, sundry lending | (b) <i>Other claims</i> Deposits and other lending at nominal value, translated at the foreign exchange market rate | Mandatory |
| 4 | 4 | Claims on non-euro area residents denominated in euro | | |
| 4.1 | 4.1 | Balances with banks, security investments and loans | | |
| | | (a) <i>Balances with banks outside the euro area other than those under asset item 11.3 "Other financial assets"</i> Current accounts, fixed-term deposits, day-to-day money. Reverse repo transactions in connection with the management of securities denominated in euro | (a) <i>Balances with banks outside the euro area</i> Nominal value | Mandatory |
| | | (b) <i>Security investments outside the euro area other than those under asset item 11.3 "Other financial assets"</i> Equity instruments, notes and bonds, bills, zero bonds, money market paper, all issued by non-euro area residents | (b) (i) <i>Marketable securities other than held-to-maturity</i> Market price Any premiums or discounts are amortised | Mandatory |
| | | | (ii) <i>Marketable securities classified as held-to-maturity</i> Cost subject to impairment Any premiums or discounts are amortised | Mandatory |
| | | | (iii) <i>Non-marketable securities</i> Cost subject to impairment Any premiums or discounts are amortised | Mandatory |
| | | | (iv) <i>Marketable equity instruments</i> Market price | Mandatory |
| | | (c) <i>Loans outside the euro area other than those under asset item 11.3 "Other financial assets"</i> | (c) <i>Loans outside the euro area</i> Deposits at nominal value | Mandatory |
| | | (d) <i>Securities other than those under asset item 11.3 "Other financial assets", issued by entities outside the euro area</i> Securities issued by supranational or international organisations, e.g. the European Investment Bank, irrespective of their geographical location | (d) (i) <i>Marketable securities other than held-to-maturity</i> Market price Any premiums or discounts are amortised | Mandatory |

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| | | | <p>(ii) <i>Marketable securities classified as held-to-maturity</i></p> <p>Cost subject to impairment</p> <p>Any premiums or discounts are amortised</p> <p>(iii) <i>Non-marketable securities</i></p> <p>Cost subject to impairment</p> <p>Any premiums or discounts are amortised</p> | Mandatory | |
| 4.2 | 4.2 | Claims arising from the credit facility under ERM II | Lending according to the ERM II conditions | Nominal value | Mandatory |
| 5 | 5 | Lending to euro area credit institutions related to monetary policy operations denominated in euro | Items 5.1 to 5.5: transactions according to the respective monetary policy instruments described in Annex I to Guideline ECB/2011/14 of 20 September 2011 on monetary policy instruments and procedures of the Eurosystem ⁽³⁾ | | |
| 5.1 | 5.1 | Main refinancing operations | Regular liquidity-providing reverse transactions with a weekly frequency and normally a maturity of one week | Nominal value or repo cost | Mandatory |
| 5.2 | 5.2 | Longer-term refinancing operations | Regular liquidity-providing reverse transactions with a monthly frequency and normally a maturity of three months | Nominal value or repo cost | Mandatory |
| 5.3 | 5.3 | Fine-tuning reverse operations | Reverse transactions, executed as ad hoc transactions for fine-tuning purposes | Nominal value or repo cost | Mandatory |
| 5.4 | 5.4 | Structural reverse operations | Reverse transactions adjusting the structural position of the Eurosystem vis-à-vis the financial sector | Nominal value or repo cost | Mandatory |
| 5.5 | 5.5 | Marginal lending facility | Overnight liquidity facility at a pre-specified interest rate against eligible assets (standing facility) | Nominal value or repo cost | Mandatory |
| 5.6 | 5.6 | Credits related to margin calls | Additional credit to credit institutions, arising from value increases of underlying assets regarding other credit to these credit institutions | Nominal value or cost | Mandatory |

| Balance sheet item ⁽¹⁾ | | Categorisation of contents of balance sheet items | Valuation principle | Scope of application ⁽²⁾ | |
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| 6 | 6 | Other claims on euro area credit institutions denominated in euro | Current accounts, fixed-term deposits, day-to-day money, reverse repo transactions in connection with the management of security portfolios under the asset item 7 'Securities of euro area residents denominated in euro', including transactions resulting from the transformation of former foreign currency reserves of the euro area and other claims. Correspondent accounts with non-domestic euro area credit institutions. Other claims and operations unrelated to monetary policy operations of the Eurosystem including Emergency Liquidity Assistance. Any claims stemming from monetary policy operations initiated by an NCB prior to joining the Eurosystem | Nominal value or cost | Mandatory |
| 7 | 7 | Securities of euro area residents denominated in euro | | | |
| 7.1 | 7.1 | Securities held for monetary policy purposes | Securities issued in the euro area held for monetary policy purposes. ECB debt certificates purchased for fine-tuning purposes | <p>(a) <i>Marketable securities other than held-to-maturity</i> Market price Any premiums or discounts are amortised</p> <p>(b) <i>Marketable securities classified as held-to-maturity</i> Cost subject to impairment (cost when the impairment is covered by a provision under liability item 13 (b) "Provisions") Any premiums or discounts are amortised</p> <p>(c) <i>Non-marketable securities</i> Cost subject to impairment Any premiums or discounts are amortised</p> | <p>Mandatory</p> <p>Mandatory</p> <p>Mandatory</p> |
| 7.2 | 7.2 | Other securities | Securities other than those under asset item 7.1 "Securities held for monetary policy purposes" and under asset item 11.3 "Other financial assets"; notes and bonds, bills, zero bonds, money market paper held outright, including government securities stemming from before EMU, denominated in euro. Equity instruments | <p>(a) <i>Marketable securities other than held-to-maturity</i> Market price Any premiums or discounts are amortised</p> <p>(b) <i>Marketable securities classified as held-to-maturity</i> Cost subject to impairment Any premiums or discounts are amortised</p> | <p>Mandatory</p> <p>Mandatory</p> |

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| | | | (c) <i>Non-marketable securities</i> Cost subject to impairment Any premiums or discounts are amortised | Mandatory | |
| | | | (d) <i>Marketable equity instruments</i> Market price | Mandatory | |
| 8 | 8 | General government debt denominated in euro | Claims on government stemming from before EMU (non-marketable securities, loans) | Deposits/loans at nominal value, non-marketable securities at cost | Mandatory |
| — | 9 | Intra-Eurosystem claims⁺ | | | |
| — | 9.1 | Participating interest in ECB⁺ | Only an NCB balance sheet item The ECB capital share of each NCB in accordance with the Treaty and the respective capital key and contributions in accordance with Article 48.2 of the Statute of the ESCB | Cost | Mandatory |
| — | 9.2 | Claims equivalent to the transfer of foreign reserves⁺ | Only an NCB balance sheet item Euro-denominated claims on the ECB in respect of initial and additional transfers of foreign reserves under Article 30 of the Statute of the ESCB | Nominal value | Mandatory |
| — | 9.3 | Claims related to the issuance of ECB debt certificates⁺ | Only an ECB balance sheet item Intra-Eurosystem claims vis-à-vis NCBs, arising from the issuance of ECB debt certificates | Cost | Mandatory |
| — | 9.4 | Net claims related to the allocation of euro banknotes within the Euro-system⁺ (*) | For the NCBs: net claim related to the application of the banknote allocation key i.e. including the ECB's banknote issue related intra-Eurosystem balances, the compensatory amount and its balancing accounting entry as defined by Decision ECB/2010/23 of 25 November 2010 on the allocation of monetary income of the national central banks of Member States whose currency is the euro ⁽⁴⁾ For the ECB: claims related to the ECB's banknote issue, in accordance with Decision ECB/2010/29 | Nominal value | Mandatory |
| — | 9.5 | Other claims within the Euro-system (net)⁺ | Net position of the following sub-items: (a) net claims arising from balances of TARGET2 accounts and correspondent accounts of NCBs, i.e. the net figure of claims and liabilities — see also liability item 10.4 "Other liabilities within the Eurosystem (net)" | (a) Nominal value | Mandatory |

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| | | (b) claim due to the difference between monetary income to be pooled and redistributed. Only relevant for the period between booking of monetary income as part of the year-end procedures, and its settlement on the last working day in January each year | (b) Nominal value | Mandatory | |
| | | (c) other intra-Eurosystem claims denominated in euro that may arise, including the interim distribution of ECB income (*) | (c) Nominal value | Mandatory | |
| 9 | 10 | Items in the course of settlement | Settlement account balances (claims), including the float of cheques in collection | Nominal value | Mandatory |
| 9 | 11 | Other assets | | | |
| 9 | 11.1 | Coins of euro area | euro coins if an NCB is not the legal issuer | Nominal value | Mandatory |
| 9 | 11.2 | Tangible and intangible fixed assets | Land and buildings, furniture and equipment including computer equipment, software | Cost less depreciation Depreciation rates: — computers and related hardware/software and motor vehicles: 4 years — equipment, furniture and plant in building: 10 years — building and capitalised major refurbishment expenditure: 25 years Capitalisation of expenditure: limit based (below EUR 10 000 excluding VAT: no capitalisation) | Recommended |
| 9 | 11.3 | Other financial assets | — Participating interests and investments in subsidiaries; equities held for strategic/policy reasons — Securities, including equities, and other financial instruments and balances (e.g. fixed-term deposits and current accounts), held as an earmarked portfolio — Reverse repo transactions with credit institutions in connection with the management of securities portfolios under this item | (a) <i>Marketable equity instruments</i> Market price (b) <i>Participating interests and illiquid equity shares, and any other equity instruments held as permanent investments</i> Cost subject to impairment (c) <i>Investment in subsidiaries or significant interests</i> Net asset value (d) <i>Marketable securities other than held-to-maturity</i> Market price Any premiums or discounts are amortised | Recommended Recommended Recommended Recommended |

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|-----------------------------------|------|--|--|--|--|
| | | | <p>(e) <i>Marketable securities classified as held-to-maturity or held as a permanent investment</i></p> <p>Cost subject to impairment</p> <p>Any premiums or discounts are amortised</p> <p>(f) <i>Non-marketable securities</i></p> <p>Cost subject to impairment</p> <p>Any premiums or discounts are amortised</p> <p>(g) <i>Balances with banks and loans</i></p> <p>Nominal value, translated at the foreign exchange market rate if the balances or deposits are denominated in foreign currencies</p> | <p>Recommended</p> <p>Recommended</p> <p>Recommended</p> | |
| 9 | 11.4 | Off-balance-sheet instruments revaluation differences | Valuation results of foreign exchange forwards, foreign exchange swaps, interest rate swaps, forward rate agreements, forward transactions in securities, foreign exchange spot transactions from trade date to settlement date | Net position between forward and spot, at the foreign exchange market rate | Mandatory |
| 9 | 11.5 | Accruals and prepaid expenditure | Income not due in, but assignable to the reported period. Prepaid expenditure and accrued interest paid (i.e. accrued interest purchased with a security) | Nominal value, foreign exchange translated at market rate | Mandatory |
| 9 | 11.6 | Sundry | <p>Advances, loans and other minor items.</p> <p>Revaluation suspense accounts (only balance sheet item during the year: unrealised losses at revaluation dates during the year, which are not covered by the respective revaluation accounts under the liability item "Revaluation accounts"). Loans on a trust basis. Investments related to customer gold deposits. Coins denominated in national euro area currency units. Current expense (net accumulated loss), loss of the previous year before coverage. Net pension assets</p> <p>Outstanding claims arising from the default of Eurosystem counterparties in the context of Eurosystem credit operations</p> <p>Assets or claims (vis-à-vis third parties) appropriated and/or acquired in the context of the realisation of collateral submitted by Eurosystem counterparties in default</p> | <p>Nominal value or cost</p> <p><i>Revaluation suspense accounts</i></p> <p>Revaluation difference between average cost and market value, foreign exchange translated at market rate</p> <p><i>Investments related to customer gold deposits</i></p> <p>Market value</p> <p><i>Outstanding claims (from defaults)</i></p> <p>Nominal/recoverable value (before/after settlement of losses)</p> <p><i>Assets or claims (from defaults)</i></p> <p>Cost (converted at the foreign exchange market rate at the time of the acquisition if financial assets are denominated in foreign currencies)</p> | <p>Recommended</p> <p>Mandatory</p> <p>Mandatory</p> <p>Mandatory</p> <p>Mandatory</p> |

| Balance sheet item ⁽¹⁾ | | Categorisation of contents of balance sheet items | Valuation principle | Scope of application ⁽²⁾ |
|-----------------------------------|----|---|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
| — | 12 | Loss for the year | Nominal value | Mandatory |

(*) Items to be harmonised. See recital 5 of this Guideline.

⁽¹⁾ The numbering in the first column relates to the balance sheet formats given in Annexes V, VI and VII (weekly financial statements and consolidated annual balance sheet of the Eurosystem). The numbering in the second column relates to the balance sheet format given in Annex VIII (annual balance sheet of a central bank). The items marked with a “*” are consolidated in the Eurosystem’s weekly financial statements.

⁽²⁾ The composition and valuation rules listed in this Annex are considered mandatory for the ECB’s accounts and for all material assets and liabilities in NCBS’ accounts for Eurosystem purposes, i.e. material to the Eurosystem’s operation.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 331, 14.12.2011, p. 1.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 35, 9.2.2011, p. 17.

LIABILITIES

| Balance sheet item ⁽¹⁾ | | Categorisation of contents of balance sheet items | Valuation principle | Scope of application ⁽²⁾ | |
|-----------------------------------|-----|---|---|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| 1 | 1 | Banknotes in circulation (*) | (a) Euro banknotes, plus/minus adjustments relating to the application of the banknote allocation key in accordance with Decision ECB/2010/23 and Decision ECB/2010/29 | (a) Nominal value | Mandatory |
| | | | (b) Banknotes denominated in national euro area currency units during the cash changeover year | (b) Nominal value | Mandatory |
| 2 | 2 | Liabilities to euro area credit institutions related to monetary policy operations denominated in euro | Items 2.1, 2.2, 2.3 and 2.5: deposits in euro as described in Annex I to Guideline ECB/2011/14 | | |
| 2.1 | 2.1 | Current accounts (covering the minimum reserve system) | euro accounts of credit institutions that are included in the list of financial institutions subject to minimum reserves in accordance with the Statute of the ESCB. This item contains primarily accounts used in order to hold minimum reserves | Nominal value | Mandatory |
| 2.2 | 2.2 | Deposit facility | Overnight deposits at a pre-specified interest rate (standing facility) | Nominal value | Mandatory |
| 2.3 | 2.3 | Fixed-term deposits | Collection for liquidity absorption purposes owing to fine-tuning operations | Nominal value | Mandatory |
| 2.4 | 2.4 | Fine-tuning reverse operations | Monetary policy-related transactions with the aim of liquidity absorption | Nominal value or repo cost | Mandatory |
| 2.5 | 2.5 | Deposits related to margin calls | Deposits of credit institutions, arising from value decreases of underlying assets regarding credits to these credit institutions | Nominal value | Mandatory |

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|-----------------------------------|-----|---|---|--|-----------|
| 3 | 3 | Other liabilities to euro area credit institutions denominated in euro | Repo transactions in connection with simultaneous reverse repo transactions for the management of securities portfolios under asset item 7 "Securities of euro area residents denominated in euro". Other operations unrelated to Eurosystem monetary policy operations. No current accounts of credit institutions. Any liabilities/deposits stemming from monetary policy operations initiated by a central bank prior to joining the Eurosystem | Nominal value or repo cost | Mandatory |
| 4 | 4 | Debt certificates issued | Only an ECB balance sheet item — for the NCBS a transitional balance sheet item. Debt certificates as described in Annex I to Guideline ECB/2011/14. Discount paper, issued with the aim of liquidity absorption | Cost Any discounts are amortised | Mandatory |
| 5 | 5 | Liabilities to other euro area residents denominated in euro | | | |
| 5.1 | 5.1 | General government | Current accounts, fixed-term deposits, deposits repayable on demand | Nominal value | Mandatory |
| 5.2 | 5.2 | Other liabilities | Current accounts of staff, companies and clients including financial institutions listed as exempt from the obligation to hold minimum reserves (see liability item 2.1 "Current accounts"); fixed-term deposits, deposits repayable on demand | Nominal value | Mandatory |
| 6 | 6 | Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in euro | Current accounts, fixed-term deposits, deposits repayable on demand including accounts held for payment purposes and accounts held for reserve management purposes: of other banks, central banks, international/supranational institutions including the European Commission; current accounts of other depositors. Repo transactions in connection with simultaneous reverse repo transactions for the management of securities denominated in euro. Balances of TARGET2 accounts of central banks of Member States whose currency is not the euro | Nominal value or repo cost | Mandatory |
| 7 | 7 | Liabilities to euro area residents denominated in foreign currency | Current accounts, liabilities under repo transactions; usually investment transactions using foreign currency assets or gold | Nominal value, translation at the foreign exchange market rate | Mandatory |
| 8 | 8 | Liabilities to non-euro area residents denominated in foreign currency | | | |

| Balance sheet item ⁽¹⁾ | | Categorisation of contents of balance sheet items | Valuation principle | Scope of application ⁽²⁾ | |
|-----------------------------------|------|--|--|---|---|
| 8.1 | 8.1 | Deposits, balances and other liabilities | Current accounts. Liabilities under repo transactions; usually investment transactions using foreign currency assets or gold | Nominal value, translation at the foreign exchange market rate | Mandatory |
| 8.2 | 8.2 | Liabilities arising from the credit facility under ERM II | Borrowing in accordance with the ERM II conditions | Nominal value, translation at the foreign exchange market rate | Mandatory |
| 9 | 9 | Counterpart of special drawing rights allocated by the IMF | SDR-denominated item which shows the amount of SDRs that were originally allocated to the respective country/NCB | Nominal value, translation at the market rate | Mandatory |
| — | 10 | Intra-Eurosystem liabilities⁺ | | | |
| — | 10.1 | Liabilities equivalent to the transfer of foreign reserves⁺ | Only an ECB balance sheet item denominated in euro | Nominal value | Mandatory |
| — | 10.2 | Liabilities related to the issuance of ECB debt certificates⁺ | Only an NCB balance sheet item Intra-Eurosystem liability vis-à-vis the ECB, arising from the issuance of ECB debt certificates | Cost | Mandatory |
| — | 10.3 | Net liabilities related to allocation of euro banknotes within the Eurosystem⁺ (*) | Only an NCB balance sheet item. For the NCBs: net liability related to the application of the banknote allocation key, i.e. including the ECB's banknote issue related intra-Eurosystem balances, the compensatory amount and its balancing accounting entry as defined by Decision ECB/2010/23 | Nominal value | Mandatory |
| — | 10.4 | Other liabilities within the Eurosystem (net)⁺ | Net position of the following sub-items: (a) net liabilities arising from balances of TARGET2 accounts and correspondent accounts of NCBs, i.e. the net figure of claims and liabilities — see also asset item 9.5 "Other claims within the Eurosystem (net)" (b) liability due to the difference between monetary income to be pooled and redistributed. Only relevant for the period between booking of monetary income as part of the year-end procedures, and its settlement at the last working day in January each year (c) other intra-Eurosystem liabilities denominated in euro that may arise, including the interim distribution of ECB income (*) | (a) Nominal value (b) Nominal value (c) Nominal value | Mandatory Mandatory Mandatory |
| 10 | 11 | Items in course of settlement | Settlement account balances (liabilities), including the float of giro transfers | Nominal value | Mandatory |

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|-----------------------------------|------|-----------------------------|--|--|-------------------------------------|
| 11 | 14 | Revaluation accounts | <p>Revaluation accounts related to price movements for gold, for every type of euro-denominated securities, for every type of foreign currency-denominated securities, for options; market valuation differences related to interest rate risk derivatives; revaluation accounts related to foreign exchange rate movements for every currency net position held, including foreign exchange swaps/forwards and SDRs</p> <p>The contributions from NCBs in accordance with Article 48.2 of the Statute of the ESCB to the ECB are consolidated with the respective amounts disclosed under asset item 9.1 "Participating interest in the ECB"[†])</p> | Revaluation difference between average cost and market value, foreign exchange translated at market rate | Mandatory |
| 12 | 15 | Capital and reserves | | | |
| 12 | 15.1 | Capital | Paid-up capital — the ECB's capital is consolidated with the capital shares of the NCBs | Nominal value | Mandatory |
| 12 | 15.2 | Reserves | <p>Legal reserves and other reserves. Retained earnings</p> <p>The contributions from NCBs to the ECB in accordance with Article 48.2 of the Statute of the ESCB are consolidated with the respective amounts disclosed under asset item 9.1 "Participating interest in the ECB"[†])</p> | Nominal value | Mandatory |
| 10 | 16 | Profit for the year | | Nominal value | Mandatory |

(*) Items to be harmonised. See recital 5 of this Guideline.

⁽¹⁾ The numbering in the first column relates to the balance sheet formats given in Annexes V, VI and VII (weekly financial statements and consolidated annual balance sheet of the Eurosystem). The numbering in the second column relates to the balance sheet format given in Annex VIII (annual balance sheet of a central bank). The items marked with a "†" are consolidated in the Eurosystem's weekly financial statements.

⁽²⁾ The composition and valuation rules listed in this Annex are considered mandatory for the ECB's accounts and for all material assets and liabilities in NCBs' accounts for Eurosystem purposes, i.e. material to the Eurosystem's operation.'