Recent developments in the euro money market

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Overall financial market background

1) Deterioration in risk sentiment with a particular focus on Europe and a strong underperformance of banking shares
Overall financial market background

2) A marked increase in market volatility but still contained below last year’s highs
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3) Perceived credit risk of senior financials closely linked to market concerns about sovereigns
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4) Resurging market concerns about the euro area sovereigns

Spanish and Italian 10-year sovereign yields and 5-year CDS

- Italy 10Y yield
- Spain 10Y yield
- Italy 5Y CDS
- Spain 5Y CDS
Money markets so far shielded by the abundant liquidity

also in the forward spreads
EONIA rates remain stable close to the deposit facility rate amid subdued interbank volumes.
Excess liquidity and money market rates

GC pooling O/N index – deposit facility spread vs. excess liquidity

Source: Deutsche Bundesbank
Repo market remains resilient to sovereign market tensions

3-month repo rates for different types of collateral
Repo market volumes remain subdued

GC pooling O/N trading volumes
Repo market volumes

Italian and Spanish repo market developments

[Diagrams showing Italian and Spanish repo market volumes]
Repo market: risk factors from the sovereign debt market

Spanish 5-year spread to AAA basket

[Bloomberg 5-year AAA euro area sovereign basket (DE, FR, NL)]
[Spain 5-year yield]
USD funding situation

EUR/USD FX swap premium remains broadly stable

3-month EUR/USD FX basis swap

-175 -150 -125 -100 -75 -50 -25 0
Jun-11 Aug-11 Oct-11 Dec-11 Feb-12 Apr-12 Jun-12
3-month 6-month 1-year
21 Dec: 3Y LTRO
29 Feb: 3Y LTRO
The Eurosystem’s provision of USD liquidity
Use of the ECB's standing facilities

Deposit facility

Marginal lending facility
Market expectations of the ECB actions

- Verbal intervention, symbolic SMP intervention
- Cut in the refinancing rate
- Removal of LTRO interest rate indexation
- Large-scale SMP intervention
- More long-term tender operation (more likely by year-end)
- Cut in the deposit rate
- Explicit yield or spread caps

EONIA swap forward curve

Source: Commerzbank Research (May 2012)
Market expectations of the ECB actions II

3-month Euribor futures curve
6 June 2012
The ECB decided to extend the fixed rate tender procedure with full allotment for as long as necessary, and at least until the end of the 12th maintenance period of 2012 on 15 January 2013.

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The ECB reduced the rating threshold and amended the eligibility requirements for certain ABSs. It has thus broadened the scope of the measures to increase collateral availability which were introduced on 8 December 2011 and which remain applicable.
Potential issues for discussion

• **MMCG feedback on the current banks’ funding situation, both in the euro and in other currencies**

• **Market expectations of the ECB monetary policy actions and non-standard measures**