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Introduction

The description of the Eurosystem Single Market Infrastructure Gateway included in this document is related to the network connectivity services provided by ESMIG to all the TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications. In the context of the Market Infrastructure Services’ consolidation, the ESMIG will also provide differentiated and additional services based on the needs of the others Eurosystem Market Infrastructure services.

When possible, synergies between the ESMIG provided features across the different TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications have to be put in place. ESMIG offers scalability to cope with the different TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications throughputs and it ensures that the traffic of one backend service may not impact the processing time of messages from or to other services. In the context of the current document, the ESMIG provides to Actors the single access point for the external communication to TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications. This means it is in charge of A2A and U2A traffic management providing authentication of all inbound traffic (U2A and A2A).

The ESMIG provides business continuity measures (e.g. multiple sites, path diversification, etc.) and PKI Services. Moreover the ESMIG provides operational/monitoring tools to ensure the monitoring of the system’s functioning by the Operator Service Desk.

The ESMIG opening hours are aligned with the opening hours of the respective market infrastructure services, e.g. for TIPS it is 24/7/365.

The ESMIG is expected to perform basic checks on inbound messages and then route them to the relevant TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications. Similarly, ESMIG takes care of the routing of outbound messages from TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications to the related NSP.

The ESMIG, for some validations making use of services offered by the NSPs, is expected to:

- Authenticate the message sender;
- Check that the sender belongs to the Closed Group of Users (CGU) entitled to send messages to the relevant TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications;
- Execute the technical validation of the received messages (well-formedness of the XML) at transport level;
- Perform the schema validation, in case the backend component requires it (compliance of the incoming A2A message with the referenced XML schema definition - e.g. it checks that the message contains all the mandatory fields, that the value of each field is consistent with the data type of the field, etc.);
- Provide digital signature services;
- Forward the message to TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications along with the technical sender’s Distinguished Name (DN).
For what concerns A2A traffic, data for Archiving will be provided by ESMIG whereas, for U2A traffic, each web application is in charge of feeding the Archiving module with the required information.
Reader’s guide

The UDFS document is available for the whole community of TARGET Services’ Actors; in order to ensure the same level of information for participants directly connected to any TARGET Service is contained in one single book of UDFS.

Nevertheless, different readers may have different needs and priorities. For instance, “T2-T2S CSLD only” readers are interested to some sections (e.g. the Digital signature at business level) whereas they may not wish to enter into the full details of the TIPS specificities, whereas the opposite can apply to “TIPS-only” readers.

Due to the nature of ESMIG as a Common Component used as gateway to access multiple Services, most of the information presented in this document is applicable to all such Services, while some of it is specifically relevant only to individual Services. Readers that aim to use ESMIG for accessing all Services will find the entire document relevant for their purpose. On the other hand, readers who are only interested in the access to a specific Service or component may find the following sections particularly relevant.

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0 The message example for TIPS ReceiptAcknowledgement usage case is provided below.

```xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
    <RctAck>
        <MsgId>
            <MsgId>NONREF</MsgId>
        </MsgId>
        <Rpt>
            <RltdRef>
                <Ref>MSID43197</Ref>
            </RltdRef>
        </Rpt>
    </RctAck>
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Digital signature aspects are applicable to any Service/Component excluding TIPS.
1.1.1 Digital Signature managed within the business layer

| 2.1 Digital Signature on Business Layer | CLM, RTGS, CRDM, ECONS II, ECMS | Digital signature aspects are applicable to any Service/Component excluding TIPS. |
| 2.2 List of business rules and error codes | CLM, RTGS, CRDM, ECONS II, ECMS | The list of business rule is applicable to any Service/Component excluding TIPS. |
1. General features of ESMIG

1.2 ESMIG Features Overview

The ESMIG infrastructure provides a set of features shared among all the TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications beyond representing a single point of contact with the external networks.

These features, detailed below, belong to two main areas and can be provided by either by the NSPs or by the ESMIG component:

- Security, for example authentication of the sender and authorisation against a Closed Group of Users.
- Message management, for example message technical validation and forwarding.

1.2.1 Authentication of the message sender

The authentication of the message sender is performed by the NSP both at the entry point of the network (by providing to the Actors digital certificates needed to access the A2A and U2A messaging services) and at the interface with the TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications through the relevant services provided by the NSP.

The NSP identifies the Actor and the TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications every time they open a new session with the NSP’s Network Gateway for A2A traffic. There is no end-to-end session. The NSP transfers the identity of the sender to the receiver, including this information in the network envelope provided to the receiver together with the message. Moreover, the NSP authenticates the Actor and the TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications as local message partner every time they open a new session with the NSP’s Network Gateway for A2A traffic exchange.

1.2.2 Participation to the Closed Group of Users

Each NSP defines a CGU for each TARGET Service environment (test and production) and checks the authorisation of the TARGET Services’ Actors to access the TARGET Services based on enforced rules at NSP level, supporting segregation of traffic flows between participants. CGUs are defined for both A2A and U2A messaging services.

The subscription to a CGU, and any subsequent modification to such subscription, is arranged through an electronic workflow.

1.2.3 Validation of the received messages

ESMIG validates the incoming messages in order to ensure they are well-formed at technical viewpoint before routing them to the TARGET Services. Additionally, the ESMIG for TIPS verifies also the incoming messages from a schema validation viewpoint.
Technical validation of the received messages at transport level for the inbound channel is run to verify that the mandatory transport protocol information provided by NSP is present and no mandatory field is missing.

In the TIPS context ESMIG carries out the schema validation of the received business message. Additionally, as part of the technical checks, ESMIG enforces the compliance of the messages to the cross-field validation.

Additional information on the schema validation at business level is provided with section 1.6.2 – Schema validation whereas the reader can find additional details on the message validation in section 1.6.3 – Technical message validation.

1.2.4 Message forwarding

ESMIG is responsible for forwarding inbound/outbound communication to the right service/NSP. For the inbound path all the messages/files are passed to the TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications in charge to manage inbound messages/files. For the outbound path, ESMIG addresses the correct NSP interface among the available ones based on the information provided by the sender TARGET Service and retrieved from the -the–Common Reference Data Management (CRDM) database. The reader can refer to the CRDM UDFS (see CRDM User Detailed Functional Specifications) for any related additional information.

1.3 Access to ESMIG

1.3.1 Single access point for the external communication

The ESMIG represents the single access point for the external communication to all market infrastructure services. It offers scalability to cope with the different market infrastructure service throughputs and it ensures that the traffic of one backend service may not impact the processing time of messages from or to other services. The ESMIG is the access portal for U2A users to all underlying business applications.

After the ESMIG login a landing page is displayed offering all market infrastructure services according to the access rights of the user. It is designed following a concept allowing an easy adoption of further services to be accessed by the ESMIG.

The ESMIG provides Business Continuity measures (e.g. multiple sites, path diversification, etc.).

1.3.2 Network agnostic communication

The ESMIG ensures a network agnostic communication with the users, where network agnostic means multiple network providers are allowed. All network providers have to comply with the same
communication interface specification towards ESMIG, but they are free to use their own features internally in terms of network and messaging.

1.3.3 Connectivity

1.3.3.1 Introduction

The purpose of this section is to introduce the basic connectivity to ESMIG. It does not aim to describe in details the technical connection with ESMIG.

1.3.3.2 Modes of connectivity

ESMIG supports the connectivity of TARGET Services’ Actors as follows:

- Communication between software applications via XML messages or files (A2A mode);
- Online screen-based activities performed by ESMIG users (U2A mode).

All messages exchanged between ESMIG and ESMIG Actors are based on XML technology and comply with the ISO 20022 standards, when applicable. However, for TIPS the messages have to be sent to ESMIG as individual messages.

U2A and A2A communication patterns are managed separately at technical level. Different software stack components are used to handle them in the most effective way. A2A is based on message/file exchange; ESMIG manages the inbound/outbound traffic, provides digital signature services and routing functionalities. TIPS A2A, due to very specific needs in terms of message latency, uses dedicated gateways provided by the NSP to manage the inbound/outbound traffic and to provide digital signature, authentication and CGU related services.

U2A is based on Web applications; ESMIG provides Identity and Access Management (IAM), Reverse Proxy services and the ESMIG Portal service. Based on the type of request received from the network, either the U2A or the A2A communication mode is invoked.

1.3.3.3 Technical connectivity and network service providers

ESMIG does not provide technical connectivity or network services to the TARGET Services connected actors. TARGET Services’ Actors shall use network services and related technical connectivity provided by an NSP awarded in the relevant concession procedure for connectivity to the ESMIG, i.e. it means that the NSP gave evidence of meeting the technical and operational requirements defined in the Connectivity Technical requirements. Each TARGET Service and application provides the users with a dedicated Connectivity Guide. As for TIPS, detailed information related to the usage of network services is provided in the “TIPS Connectivity Guide” (see TIPS Connectivity Guide).

1.3.3.4 Common rules for message and file transfer services

This section describes the rules of the transfer services envisaged in ESMIG for A2A messages and files exchange. The configuration of the routing is described in details in the UDFS of the CRDM (see CRDM User Detailed Functional Specifications), CRDM User Detailed Functional Specifications).
Due to high message volumes estimated for the TIPS service, a specific A2A protocol is used to exchange messages with the Network Service Provider (NSP), which is based on the MQ protocol as transport layer. Moreover, messages managed by ESMIG for TIPS are not persistent; it means no guarantee of delivery is in place for messages received/sent by the NSP.

The A2A interaction is achieved through two different protocols: Data Exchange Protocol (DEP), used by the TARGET Services (excluding TIPS), and the Message Exchange Processing for TIPS (MEPT).

In A2A mode, ESMIG Actors and ESMIG can exchange messages and files by means of two types of transfer services:

1. The real-time transfer, which requires that both parties, i.e. the sender and the receiver, are available at the same time to exchange the relevant data. In case of unavailability of the receiver, no retry mechanism is foreseen. In particular:
   - DEP: this service is named real-time
   - MEPT: this service is named as instant messaging to avoid any confusion with the real-time protocol supported by DEP.

2. The store-and-forward message and file transfer, which enables the sender to transmit messages or files even when the receiver is not available. In case of temporary unavailability of the receiver, the NSP stores the files and delivers them as soon as the receiver becomes available again.
   - DEP: this service is named store-and-forward
   - MEPT: this service is named store-and-forward and it is used in TIPS only for outbound communication (TIPS platform to user)

The following table shows how the main types of ESMIG business data exchanges are mapped against the two mentioned transfer services for inbound and outbound communication.
## Table 2 - ESMIG business data exchanges and network services features

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|               |         |    | File-based, store-and-forward |

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The Table 2 shows that, as far as the inbound communication is concerned, TARGET Services’ Actors can submit:

- All settlement related messages for TIPS (i.e., Instant Payment transactions, positive Recall answers and Liquidity Transfers), non-settlement related message and LRDM updates for TIPS using a message-based network service. In all cases the transfer service is instant messaging;

- All settlement-related messages for CLM/RTGS/ECONS II (e.g. liquidity transfers) and reference data updates either using a message-based network service or via a file-based network service. In both cases, the transfer service is store-and-forward;

- All queries and investigation for TIPS using an instant messaging network service;

- All queries and pull reports either using a message-based network service or via a file-based network service. In both cases, the transfer service is real-time.

As to the outbound communication, the same table Table 2 shows that ESMIG sends:

- All settlement related messages for TIPS (i.e., Instant Payment transactions, positive Recall answers and Liquidity Transfers), non-settlement related message and LRDM updates for TIPS using a message-based network service. In all cases the transfer service is instant messaging;

- All outgoing settlement-related messages (i.e., status advices, notifications, advice etc.) for CLM/RTGS/ECONS II and responses related to reference data updates for CRDM using either a message-based or a file-based network service. In both cases, the transfer service is store-and-forward;

- All queries, investigations and notifications for TIPS using an instant messaging network service;

- All query responses and pull reports either using a message-based network service or via a file-based network service. The transfer service can be either real-time or store-and-forward for messages whereas it is store-and-forward for files. An exception takes place for responses exceeding a pre-defined size or time limit; in this case ESMIG sends these responses using either a message-based network service or a file-based network service. In both cases, the transfer service is store-and-forward;

- All reports in push mode for TIPS using a file-based network service transferred via store-and-forward service;

- All reports in push mode for CRDM/CLM/RTGS, including the General Ledger for ECONS II, either using either a message-based network service or a file-based network service. In both cases, the transfer service is store-and-forward.

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2 The one shown in table 1 is not the exhaustive list of Services, components and applications.
3 The settlement-related messages for TIPS refer to Instant Payment transactions, Positive Recall Answer and Liquidity Transfers.
4 All the remaining EPC scheme-related messages for TIPS, e.g. Recalls, Negative Recall Answers, Beneficiary Replies.
5 Local Reference Data Management (LRDM) is the local repository in TIPS which is fed by the data propagated from the CRDM on a daily basis. A subset of LRDM entities can be modified directly in TIPS on 24/7/365 basis. The usage of real-time communication is limited to those entities.
1.3.4 Authentication and authorisation

This section provides information on the authentication and authorisation processes in ESMIG. In more detail, section 1.3.4.1 – Authentication and authorisation concepts presents some basic notions (e.g. user, certificate, distinguished name, technical sender) related to access rights management in the TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications. On this basis, sections 1.2.4.2, 1.3.4.2 – Authentication process and 1.2.4.3, 1.3.4.3 – Authorisation process show respectively how and where the authentication and the authorisation processes take place.

1.3.4.1 Authentication and authorisation concepts

This section presents the main concepts related to authentication and authorisation processes in ESMIG.

1.2.4.1.1 User

A user is an individual or application that interacts with ESMIG triggering the available user functions of TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications. E.g., the set of available user functions stems from the set of privileges of TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications for which the user is grantee. Each user defined in TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications corresponds to an individual or to an application.

1.2.4.1.2 Certificate

A digital certificate is an electronic document binding an identity to a pair of electronic keys, a private key (used to sign digital information to be sent to a counterpart or to decrypt digital information received from a counterpart) and a public key (used to encrypt digital information to be sent to a counterpart or to perform the authentication and to ensure the integrity of digital information received from a counterpart). An Actor assigns certificates to their individuals (interacting with ESMIG in U2A mode) and applications (interacting with ESMIG in A2A mode). If an Actor uses multiple connectivity providers to connect to a TARGET Services, common components or back-office applications, then it has to assign one certificate to each of its individuals and applications for each of these connectivity providers.
1.3.4.1.3 Distinguished Name
A Distinguished Name is a sequence of attribute-value assertions (e.g. "cn=smith") separated by commas, e.g.:

\[
<cn=smith,ou=serv-ops,o=bnkacct,o=nsp-1>
\]

Each identity bound to a digital certificate is assigned a unique distinguished name (certificate DN). This applies both to individuals and applications. If an Actor uses multiple connectivity providers, each of its individuals and applications is assigned one certificate per connectivity provider and hence one certificate DN per connectivity provider.

1.3.4.1.4 Technical sender
The technical sender is the Actor submitting an A2A or an U2A request to TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications. Each technical sender is identified by means of a certificate issued by one of the compliant NSP. The network infrastructure of the NSP authenticates the technical sender based on the basis of its certificate, both in A2A mode and in U2A mode. The certificate DN of the technical sender represents the technical address used by the technical sender to connect to TARGET Services, common components or back-office applications.

1.3.4.1.5 Business sender
The business sender is the Actor creating the business payload of an A2A or an U2A request to be submitted to and processed by TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications. In some instructing scenarios, when allowed by the relevant TARGET Service or Application, the business sender and the technical sender can be different Actors. E.g., in some TIPS instructing scenarios, the business sender is represented by the Originator BIC of a Reachable Party whereas the technical sender can be the Distinguished Name of the Instructing Party acting on a Reachable Party’s behalf.

1.3.4.2 Authentication process
The authentication process refers to the authentication of the technical sender.

1.3.4.2.1 Authentication of the technical sender
The authentication of the technical sender is performed at network infrastructure level and is based on the certificate used by the Actor to establish the technical connection with the network infrastructure itself. This authentication process is under the responsibility of the NSP selected by the Actor to connect to the TARGET Services, common components and back-office applications.
In case of successful authentication of the technical sender, the TARGET Services, common components or back-office applications get the certificate DN of the technical sender. The TARGET Services, specific/common components or back-office applications may use this certificate DN later on, during the authorisation process (see section 1.2.4.3.1 - Authorisation of the technical sender).

1.3.4.3 Authorisation process

The authorisation process refers to the authorisation of the technical sender.

1.3.4.3.1 Authorisation of the technical sender

ESMIG checks whether the technical sender is allowed to access the service / component, making use of the Closed Group of Users feature provided at NSP level.

The authorisation of the technical sender is performed at application level, when required by the component. The TARGET Services, common components or back-office applications authorise the technical sender for a given request only if the certificate DN (i.e. the technical address) of the same technical sender is in the list of the party technical addresses of the business sender (e.g., in TIPS, the Originator BIC, the Beneficiary BIC, the responsible Central Bank) which are linked to the NSP used to submit the request.

1.3.5 ESMIG Portal

Users of TARGET Services and back-office applications belonging to the appropriate closed group of users, defined and enforced at NSP level, can communicate in U2A mode via a web-based GUI.

Those users are directed to an initial page named ESMIG Portal that ensures proper routing to the web applications according to the user access rights profiles.

In particular, the ESMIG Portal shows to the user all the applications the user is authorised to access. These applications are linked one-to-one to special system privileges (stored in CRDM) the user has been previously granted with and that are specifically dedicated to those web applications.

When accessing the ESMIG Portal without any authentication, the user is redirected to the IAM page that asks user to authenticate the access validating the user’s distinguished name (DN). Thus, the authentication process, at IAM level, securely associates the DN to the person accessing the system.
After authentication, the person must choose the logical “user” he wants to impersonate, selecting it among a set of user-IDs that have been previously linked to his DN. This selection is done in the ESMIG Portal.

**Therefore**, the ESMIG portal allows and guides the person accessing the system to:

- Choose the **service** among the authorised services accessible by at least one user-ID linked to the DN of the user;
- Choose the **component/application** among the authorised **components and applications** accessible by at least one user-ID linked to the DN of the user;
- Choose the **user** to impersonate when accessing such an application.

After this process, the ESMIG Portal redirects the user to the homepage of the application selected (e.g. CRDM, DMT, TIPS, etc.).

An example of how the ESMIG Portal GUI will look like is shown in the following picture.

![Figure 2 – ESMIG Portal Graphical User Interface](image)

**1.3.6 Security**

This section aims at describing the main processes performed by ESMIG in terms of security principles applied to ensure to TARGET Services’ users that they can securely exchange information with the related service, component or application.
“Secure exchange” means that the following requirements are met:

1. Confidentiality: Ensuring that information is accessible only to authorised Actors;
2. Integrity: Safeguarding information against tampering attempts;
3. Monitoring: Detecting technical problems and recording appropriate information for crisis management scenarios and future investigations;
4. Availability: Ensuring that authorised users have access to the service whenever required;
5. Auditability: Ensuring the possibility to establish whether a system is functioning properly and that it has worked properly.

1.3.6.1 Confidentiality

The confidentiality of data between each Actor and the ESMIG is guaranteed by the NSP. In fact, the NSP takes appropriate measures and installs sufficient networking facilities to protect all the data in transit (i) between the TARGET Services’ sites and the NSP sites and (ii) between the NSP sites and the Actor’s sites. An example of an “appropriate measure” is an IPsec VPN tunnel; IPsec VPN tunnels start in the Actor’s site and end in the TARGET Service sites. All traffic is encrypted and authenticated. Only authenticated parties can access the TARGET Service, components or application. The links between the NSP and the TARGET Service sites are closed to traffic from other sources or to other destinations than authenticated parties.

The NSP ensures that its staff and other parties cannot access or copy data exchanged over its network except when subject to controlled access, under secure logging and reported to Operator Service Desk.

1.3.6.2 Integrity

The NSP providing the connectivity between the Actors and the TARGET Services guarantees the integrity and authenticity of data exchanged.

1.3.6.3 Monitoring

TARGET Services operational monitoring provides the Operator Service Desk with tools for the detection in real-time of operational problems.

Moreover, the NSPs deliver to the Operator Service Desk the facilities to monitor their network components, which provide security features from an operational and a configuration point of view. In particular, the NSP delivers features to monitor the configuration of the security providing components. Each NSP implements mechanisms to monitor its infrastructure for security vulnerabilities, breaches and attacks and shall ensure updates of all devices whenever security patches are available. The NSP must report immediately any technical and security issues to the Operator Service Desk using collaboration tools (such as e-mail, instant messages, smartphones). In particular cases also automated alerts can be triggered.
1.3.6.4 Availability

1.3.6.4.1 ESMIG availability for TARGET Services (excl. TIPS)

The overall availability of the ESMIG for all TARGET Services is ensured by the infrastructure design. The technical environment follows a “two regions/four sites” approach to ensure availability throughout the widest possible range of system failures.

1.3.6.4.2 ESMIG availability for TIPS

The overall availability of the ESMIG infrastructure for TIPS is ensured by the innovative architectural design and is pursued through node redundancy and self-recovery capability (built at application level). In the event of unavailability of some local nodes of the application cluster or unavailability of an entire site, TIPS adapts its behaviour as far as possible to continue operating. In addition, the infrastructure and the connectivity model provided by each NSP must be highly available to meet the requirement to be operational 24/7/365.

1.3.6.5 Auditability

ESMIG components (e.g. servers, devices, etc.) provide audit logs with which it is possible to reconstruct user activities, exceptions and security events.

1.4 Possible actions of Operator Service Desk

1.4.1 Technical monitoring

The Operator Service Desk is provided with technical monitoring tools to check the status of the ESMIG components involved in the A2A/U2A services. In this context for A2A services the monitoring of the queue depth and queue age is in place to be sure that the traffic is correctly flowing at the ESMIG level without having any slow down or blocking in the workflow.

ESMIG complies with the requirement of logging inbound/outbound communication based on the specific A2A/U2A features. The access to this information is provided with the Operator only, via the ESMIG console.

1.5 ESMIG data exchange information

1.5.1 Compression

A global compression size limit of 2 kb is defined valid over all networks. Only the messages sent by T2S any business interface which exceed this limit will can be compressed, upon request of the relevant business interface, due to the overhead for the compression of small messages.
All the XML business data has to be compressed including the Business Application Header (BAH) or the File Header (FH). Data belonging to the network protocol (DEP ExchangeHeader) is not compressed. That is valid for messages sent by a TARGET Services’ actor.

The compression algorithm supported by TARGET Services’ is the ZIP algorithm (i.e. ZIP deflate and the BASE64 RFC 7 2045).

If the decompression of inbound communication is not successful, the TARGET Service sends an error information on network layer to the TARGET Service actor indicating the decompression failure. The correlation to the original inbound message has to be identified on network layer

In the TIPS context the compression is only used for file-based transfer, (i.e. for the TIPS reports).

When using DEP protocol message/file compressed cannot exceed, after the uncompress operation, the size limit of 99MB.

1.5.2 Instant messaging
For the A2A instant messaging mode, the TIPS service communicates with the participants only using “stateless” messages and with no support of "store-and-forward". This implies that in the case of unavailability of the receiver no retry mechanism is in place.

The maximum size of exchanged instant messages is set to 10KiB (1 KiB = 1.024 bytes). The maximum length refers to the business content of the transferred message, without taking into account the communication protocol overheads.

1.5.3 Message-Based and File-Based Real-Time

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<tr>
<th>Channel</th>
<th>Minimum Length</th>
<th>Maximum Length</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Message channel</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>32 KB (KB=2^15)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>File channel</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>32 MB (MB=2^20)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The channel for query responses and the communication mode depends on the size of the response and the channel that was used for the query request. The behaviour described in this section applies to any TARGET Service excluding TIPS.
Table 3 - Query response and communication mode depending on the size of the response

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>REQUEST</th>
<th>RESPONSE SIZE &lt; 32 KB</th>
<th>RESPONSE 32 MB &gt; SIZE &gt; 32 KB</th>
<th>RESPONSE SIZE &gt; 32 MB</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Message channel</td>
<td>Message channel</td>
<td>File channel</td>
<td>No transmission</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Real-time</td>
<td>Real-time</td>
<td>Store and forward</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>File channel</td>
<td>File channel</td>
<td>Real-time</td>
<td></td>
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<td>Real-time</td>
<td>Real-time</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

When the size of the response is suitable the same channel that was used for the query request is used.

- The query response is sent in real-time mode.

When the request is sent via the message channel and the size of the response is too large for a transfer via the message channel the file store and forward channel is used.

- ESMIG sends an “Oversize and timeout” ReceiptAcknowledgement in real-time mode to the TARGET Service actor (sender) indicating the change of the transfer mode. The related reference indicates the Business Message Identifier of the request.
- The query response is sent in store and forward mode according to the default routing rule for the file store and forward channel.

In general, if the size of the response is too large for a transfer via the file channel the transmission is aborted.

- ESMIG sends an “Oversize and timeout” ReceiptAcknowledgement in real-time mode to the TARGET Service actor (sender) indicating the abortion. The related reference indicates the Business Message Identifier of the request.
- The query response is not sent.

In case a certain response exceeds the maximum size of 32 MB for a transfer via the file channel, this TARGET Service outbound message may be split into several parts.

### 1.5.4 Message-Based and File-Based Store-and-Forward

The message and file transfer operate in store-and-forward mode and, as such, enable a sender to transmit files even when a receiver is unavailable. In the case of temporary unavailability of the receiver, the NSP stores files for 14 calendar days (for PROD environment) and delivers them as soon as the receiver becomes available again.

For TIPS the maximum size for exchanged files is set to 1 GB. File transfer mode is used by the TIPS service only for outgoing exchange; there is no business case for using it for inbound communication from the TIPS actor to the TIPS application.

For exchange based on DEP protocol the following size limit applies.
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### 1.6 Communication processing

#### 1.6.1 Introduction

The network infrastructure authenticates the technical sender and authorises the technical sender to connect to the relevant TARGET Service. **Each** A2A communication has to be encrypted and can be compressed. However, encryption and compression is handled on transport level by the NSP.

The activity diagram shown in Figure 3 describes the generic technical entry check and covers the general aspects of the inbound communication between a TIPS Actor (via technical sender) and TIPS, where the TIPS Actor (via technical sender) sends a communication to TIPS via A2A.

**Figure 3 – Activity diagram for TIPS**

[Activity diagram image]

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1.6.2 Schema validation

1.6.2.1 Schema validation for TARGET Services (excl. TIPS)

All ISO 20022 messages which reach ESMIG for further processing in any TARGET Services, excluding TIPS, (e.g. in RTGS, CLM, etc.) are not subject to schema validation rules. This check is enforced by the Business Interface of the relevant Service/Component.

1.6.2.2 Schema validation for TIPS

All ISO 20022 messages which reach ESMIG for further processing in TIPS are subject to validation rules related to the syntax and structure of the message itself. In this context one can distinguish between well-formedness and validity of the message sent to ESMIG.

An ISO 20022 message is well-formed if it satisfies the general syntactical rules foreseen for XML, i.e. the major aspects to be respected are the following:

- The message only contains properly encoded Unicode characters;
- The specific syntax characters (e.g. "<" and ">") are not used in the message except in their function as mark-up delineation;
- The element-delimiting tags (i.e. start, end and empty-element tags) are correctly nested and paired and none of them is missing or overlapping;
- The start and end tags match exactly and are case-sensitive;
- The message has one root element which contains all the other elements.

In contrast to other forms of representation the definition of XML documents is rather strict. XML processors cannot produce reasonable results if they encounter even slight violations against the principle of well-formedness. Any violation of this well-formedness automatically entails an interruption of the message processing and an error notification to the sender.

Every well-formed ISO 20022 message reaching ESMIG undergoes a validity check according to the rules contained in the enriched ESMIG schema files. These ESMIG enriched schemas make the structure of the message visible to the user and provide all necessary explanations on the validations the message undergoes.

The ESMIG enriched schema files serve different purposes:

- They provide a definition of all the elements and attributes in the message;
- They provide a definition on what elements are child elements and on their specific order and number;
- They provide a definition of the data types applicable to a specific element or attribute;
- They provide a definition of the possible values applicable to a specific element or attribute.

ESMIG provides the TIPS enriched schema file description in XSD format.
Based on the relevant ESMIG enriched schema, ESMIG performs the following validations for each incoming message instance:

1. Validation of the XML structure (starting from the root element);
2. Validation of the element sequencing (i.e. their prescribed order);
3. Validation of the correctness of parent-child and sibling relations between the various elements;
4. Validation of the cardinality of message elements (e.g. if all mandatory elements are present or if the overall number of occurrences is allowed);
5. Validation of the choice options between the message elements;
6. Validation of the correctness of the used character set;
7. Validation of the correctness of the code list values and their format.

Regarding the use of namespace prefixes, the messages used for TIPS do not support the use of namespace prefixes which are hence not needed in the Eurosystem Market Infrastructure Services. However, messages received by ESMIG including namespace prefixes are processed properly (i.e. there is no validation performed at ESMIG level to check if namespace prefixes are included in messages received).

### 1.6.3 Technical message validation

#### 1.6.3.1 Technical message validation for TARGET Services (excl.TIPS)

Besides the schema validation, the messages received by ESMIG may require some additional technical checks before they can be successfully forwarded to the TARGET service back-end. In the context of TARGET Service, (excluding TIPS), these additional checks are enforced by the business interface of the relevant Service/Component. The aim of this check is the detection of potential inconsistencies in the format of the message, e.g. due to cross-field validation.

#### 1.6.3.2 Technical message validation for TIPS

As for TIPS, the additional technical message validation are executed by ESMIG and they are required to detect potential inconsistencies in the format of the message, e.g. due to cross-field validation.

As soon as the first cross-field validation is unsuccessful, ESMIG prevents the forwarding of the incoming message to the TIPS application and replies to the sender [see Table 4 and 1.6.4.3 – ReceiptAcknowledgement (admi.007.001.01)] containing a proper error code, depending on the specific violation hit.

The table below describes, for each incoming message where the cross-field validation applies, the technical checks performed by ESMIG and the relevant error code issued.
### Table 4 - Cross-field validations for TIPS

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ISO Code</th>
<th>Field/Group</th>
<th>Check to be performed</th>
<th>X-Path</th>
<th>ERROR Code</th>
<th>Output message</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>pacs.002.001.03</td>
<td>Group Status Transaction Status</td>
<td>Neither group status nor transaction status has been specified</td>
<td>FIToFIPmtStsRpt/OrgnlGrpInfAndSts/GrpSts, FIToFIPmtStsRpt/TxInfAndSts/TxSts</td>
<td>MS01</td>
<td>pacs.002.001.03</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pacs.002.001.03</td>
<td>Group Status Transaction Status</td>
<td>Both group status and transaction status have been specified</td>
<td>FIToFIPmtStsRpt/OrgnlGrpInfAndSts/GrpSts, FIToFIPmtStsRpt/TxInfAndSts/TxSts</td>
<td>MS01</td>
<td>pacs.002.001.03</td>
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<tr>
<td>pacs.002.001.03</td>
<td>Reason</td>
<td>The relevant StsRsnInf tag for a negative reply (RJCT) should have been specified</td>
<td>FIToFIPmtStsRpt/OrgnlGrpInfAndSts/StsRsnInf/StsRsnInf/Rsn/Cd</td>
<td>MS01</td>
<td>pacs.002.001.03</td>
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<td>The relevant StsRsnInf tag for a negative reply (RJCT) should have been specified</td>
<td>FIToFIPmtStsRpt/TxInfAndSts/StsRsnInf/StsRsnInf/Rsn/Cd</td>
<td>MS01</td>
<td>pacs.002.001.03</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pacs.004.001.02</td>
<td>Number Of Transactions</td>
<td>TIPS supports only one transaction per message. NbOfTxs (attribute tag) = 1</td>
<td>PmtRtr/GrpHdr/NbOfTxs</td>
<td>MS01</td>
<td>pacs.002.001.03</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pacs.004.001.02</td>
<td>Original Group Information</td>
<td>The OrgnlGrpInf has not been specified neither at group nor at transaction level</td>
<td>PmtRtr/OrgnlGrpInf, PmtRtr/TxInf/OrgnlGrpInf</td>
<td>MS01</td>
<td>pacs.002.001.03</td>
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<tr>
<td>pacs.004.001.02</td>
<td>Original Group Information</td>
<td>The OrgnlGrpInf has been specified both at group and at transaction level</td>
<td>PmtRtr/OrgnlGrpInf, PmtRtr/TxInf/OrgnlGrpInf</td>
<td>MS01</td>
<td>pacs.002.001.03</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pacs.004.001.02</td>
<td>Transaction Information</td>
<td>The xml message should contain exactly one TxInf tag</td>
<td>PmtRtr/TxInf</td>
<td>MS01</td>
<td>pacs.002.001.03</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pacs.008.001.02</td>
<td>Remittance Information</td>
<td>Either Unstructured or Structured may be present. If both components are included, the message will be rejected</td>
<td>FIToFICstmrCdtTrf/CrdTrfInf/RmtInf/Ustrd, FIToFICstmrCdtTrf/CrdTrfInf/RmtInf/Strd</td>
<td>MS01</td>
<td>pacs.002.001.03</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pacs.028.001.01</td>
<td>Original Message Name Identification Original Instruction Identification</td>
<td>Original Message Name Identification = “camt.056.001.01” and Original Instruction Identification not specified.</td>
<td>FIToFIPmtStsReq/OrgnlGrpInf/OrgnlMsgNmId, FIToFIPmtStsReq/TxInf/OrgnlInstrId</td>
<td>MS01</td>
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<tr>
<td>pacs.028.001.01</td>
<td>Original Message Name Identification Creditor Agent</td>
<td>Original Message Name Identification = &quot;camt.056.001.01&quot; and Creditor Agent not specified.</td>
<td>FIToFITpmtStsRsp/OrigplMsgInf/OrigplTxRef/CdtrAgent/FmInstId/BlCFI</td>
<td>MS01</td>
<td>pacs.002.001.03</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>camt.050.001.04</td>
<td>Creditor Account Type</td>
<td>This field must not be included in the request. The message will be rejected in that case.</td>
<td>LqdtyCdtTrf/LqdtyCdtTrf/CdtrAcct/Tp</td>
<td>L099</td>
<td>camt.025.001.04</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>camt.050.001.04</td>
<td>Debtor Account Type</td>
<td>This field must not be included in the request. The message will be rejected in that case.</td>
<td>LqdtyCdtTrf/LqdtyCdtTrf/DbtrAcct/Tp</td>
<td>L099</td>
<td>camt.025.001.04</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>camt.050.001.04</td>
<td>Settlement Date</td>
<td>This must be included in outgoing Credit Transfer. It must be filled with the stored RTGS business date.</td>
<td>LqdtyCdtTrf/LqdtyCdtTrf/SttlmDt</td>
<td>L099</td>
<td>camt.025.001.04</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
1.6.4 Inbound and Outbound messages

1.6.4.1 Inbound messages

No inbound message from any TARGET Service Actor is directly addressed to the ESMIG. All the successfully messages validated at transport level are routed to the related TARGET Service, common component or application.

1.6.4.2 Outbound Messages

1.6.4.2.1 Outbound Messages for TARGET Services (excl. TIPS)

Currently, one outbound message is generated by the ESMIG for all TARGET Services, excluding TIPS. The reasons for the rejection are due to:

- Invalid digital signature;
- Timeout management;
- Oversize management.

Table 5 - Outbound messages generated by ESMIG for TARGET Services (excl. TIPS)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ISO Message / Message User</th>
<th>ISO Code</th>
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<tr>
<td>ReceiptAcknowledgement / “Inbound Processing Rejections”</td>
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</table>

Examples of the aforementioned use cases will be provided within the next section following two subsections.

ReceiptAcknowledgement (admi.007.001.01)

The ReceiptAcknowledgement message is sent by ESMIG to inform the sender that an incoming message has contained an error and resulted in a rejection, e.g. for missing authentication due to invalid signature.

The table below describes the message elements filled by ESMIG.

The ReceiptAcknowledgement message is used in this scenario to report that ESMIG is not able to process incoming message because of a failed authentication of the sending party due to invalid signature. For details on the error codes see 1.6.7 “List of business rules and error codes”.

Specific message requirements

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Message Item</th>
<th>Data-Type / Code</th>
<th>Utilization</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Status Code Document/Ref/Ref/Ref/Ref/Ref/Ref</td>
<td>MixedAlphaNumericText</td>
<td>Status Code indicating the error which occurred during the technical validation.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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1.5.4.2.1 Invalid digital signature

In the example 1 a ReceiptAcknowledgement referring to an incoming message with the ID INCOMINGMSG02 with “Invalid Digital Signature” is sent to the corresponding party.

Example 1:

```xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<!--Digital signature check of an incoming message was not successful-->  
<!-- Date: 12/06/2012 -->
<Document xmlns="urn:iso:std:iso:20022:tech:xsd:DRAFT2admi.007.001.01">
  <RctAck>
    <MsgId>
      <MsgId>NONREF</MsgId>
    </MsgId>
    <Rpt>
      <RltdRef>INCOMINGMSG02</RltdRef>
      <ReqHdlg>
        <StsCd>I071</StsCd>
        <Desc>ICSA010-Digital signature is not valid.</Desc>
      </ReqHdlg>
    </Rpt>
  </RctAck>
</Document>
```

1.5.4.2.2 Timeout and oversized management

The ReceiptAcknowledgement message for TARGET Service is generated by ESMIG also in the two scenarios of (i) timeout management and (ii) oversized management.

In the example 2 a ReceiptAcknowledgement referring to an incoming message is sent to the corresponding party falling under the scope of “Timeout management”.

Example 2:

```xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<!--TARGET Service cannot respond to the query request within the timeout limit.-->
<Document xmlns="urn:iso:std:iso:20022:tech:xsd:DRAFT3admi.007.001.01">
  <RctAck>
    <MsgId>
      <MsgId>NONREF</MsgId>
    </MsgId>
    <Rpt>
      <RltdRef>
        <Ref>TARGET Service Request</Ref>
      </RltdRef>
      <ReqHdlg>
        <StsCd>I071</StsCd>
        <Desc>ICSA010-Request not valid.</Desc>
      </ReqHdlg>
    </Rpt>
  </RctAck>
</Document>
```
In the example 3 a ReceiptAcknowledgement referring to an incoming message is sent to the corresponding party falling under the scope of “oversized management”.

Example 3:
```xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<document xmlns="urn:iso:std:iso:20022:tech:xsd:DRAFT3admi.007.001.01">
  <RctAck>
    <MsgId>
      <MsgId>NONREF</MsgId>
    </MsgId>
    <Rpt>
      <RltdRef>
        <Ref>NONREF</Ref>
      </RltdRef>
      <ReqHdlg>
        <StsCd>I074</StsCd>
        <Desc>ICAA001 - The invoked TARGET service cannot respond to the query request within the timeout limit. Store and forward network service will be used.</Desc>
      </ReqHdlg>
    </Rpt>
  </RctAck>
</document>
```

1.6.4.2.2 Outbound Messages for TIPS

Three outbound messages are generated by the ESMIG for TIPS. The reason for the rejection is either due to schema validation or message validation as described in the previous sections. The message elements for the latter two messages (i.e. pacs.002 and camt.025) in Table 6 are currently being described in the TIPS UDFS whereas the use case for Inbound Processing Rejections is described in section 1.6.4.3.2 (Usage Case: TIPS ReceiptAcknowledgement).
### Table 6 - Outbound messages generated by ESMIG for TIPS

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ISO MESSAGE / MESSAGE USAGE</th>
<th>ISO CODE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ReceiptAcknowledgement / &quot;Inbound Processing Rejections&quot;</td>
<td>admi.007.001.01</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FIToFIPaymentStatusReport / &quot;cross field validation rejection&quot;</td>
<td>pacs.002.001.03</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Receipt / &quot;cross field validation rejection&quot;</td>
<td>camt.025.001.04</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 1.6.4.3 ReceiptAcknowledgement (admi.007.001.01)

This chapter illustrates the ReceiptAcknowledgement message. The ReceiptAcknowledgement message (without BAH) is sent by ESMIG to the sender of a previous inbound. It is used to inform the sender that their previously sent message has been rejected and is not processed further. Within the ESMIG for TIPS this message is generated after an inbound processing rejection.

### 1.6.4.3.1 Schema

**Outline of the schema**

The ReceiptAcknowledgement message is composed of the following message building blocks:

- **MessageIdentification**
  - This building block is mandatory and it contains the message identification ("NONREF" value is used).

- **RelatedReference**
  - This building block is mandatory and non-repetitive. It provides a reference of the request message to which this ReceiptAcknowledgement message is responding.

- **Report**
  - This building block is mandatory and repetitive. Each block contains the Message identification of the request message and information related to a single validation issue.

- **RequestHandling**
  - This building block is mandatory. It gives the status of the request. It may contain:
    - status code;
    - description.

**References/links**

The schema and the related documentation in XSD/EXCEL/PDF format as well as the message examples are provided within the MyStandards repository under the following link:
Business rules applicable to the schema

No business rules are applicable to a ReceiptAcknowledgement message.

1.6.4.3.2 The message in business context

Usage Case: Timeout Management and Oversized Data Management

This usage case describes the case oversize and timeout scenario.

Specific message content

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MESSAGE ITEM</th>
<th>UTILISATION</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Related Reference</td>
<td>Document/RctAck/Rpt/RltRef/Ref</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MsgId of the incoming message. In case it cannot be identified: NONREF.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Status Code specifying the error. Possible values:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>- 1074</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>- 1076</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>- 1077</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Description</td>
<td>Document/RctAck/Rpt/ReqHdlg/Desc</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Description of the status</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Usage case example: admi.007OversizedAndTimeout_example.xml

In this example a ReceiptAcknowledgement “Oversized limit” message to the corresponding party is sent, because the component cannot respond via message based network service due to size restriction.

Usage Case: TIPS ReceiptAcknowledgement

This usage case describes the case of admi.007 sent in the TIPS context.

Specific message content

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MESSAGE ITEM</th>
<th>UTILISATION</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Related Reference</td>
<td>Document/RctAck/Rpt/RltRef/Ref</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MsgId of the incoming message. In case it cannot be identified: NONREF.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Status Code specifying the error. Possible values: &quot;X001&quot; for schema validation error.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Description</td>
<td>Document/RctAck/Rpt/ReqHdlg/Desc</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>For schema validation the description is 'Parsing error'</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The ReceiptAcknowledgement message is sent by ESMIG to inform the sender that an incoming message has contained an error and resulted in a rejection, e.g. for missing authentication due to invalid signature.
The table below describes the message elements filled by ESMIG.

The ReceiptAcknowledgement message is used in this scenario to report that ESMIG is not able to process incoming message because of a failed authentication of the sending party due to invalid signature. For details on the error codes the reader can refer to section 2.2 - List of business rules and error codes.

### Specific message requirements

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MESSAGE ITEM</th>
<th>DATA TYPE / CODE</th>
<th>UTILISATION</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Reference</td>
<td>RestrictedFINXMax35Text</td>
<td>MsgId of the incoming message this ReceiptAcknowledgement is sent for</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Status Code</td>
<td>Max4AlphaNumericText</td>
<td>Status Code indicating the error which occurred during the technical validation.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Description</td>
<td>RestrictedFINXMax140Text</td>
<td>Textual description of the technical validation error specified in the status code field.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The message example for TIPS ReceiptAcknowledgement usage case is provided below.

```xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
  <RctAck>
    <MsgId>
      <MsgId>NONREF</MsgId>
    </MsgId>
    <Rpt>
      <RltdRef>
        <Ref>MSID43197</Ref>
      </RltdRef>
      <ReqHdlg>
        <StsCd>X001</StsCd>
        <Desc>Parsing error</Desc>
      </ReqHdlg>
    </Rpt>
  </RctAck>
</Document>
```
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The purpose of this signature is to authenticate the business sender and guarantee the integrity of the business payload. This business signature should be compliant with the W3C XAdES-6 standard.

The (NRO)7 signature is stored in the BAH in case of individual messages or in the file header in case of messages grouped into a file. In case messages are grouped into a file, the BAH of the individual messages will not include a signature.

File (meaning multi-message):

The signature is part of the file header. It is over the list of BAH’s and ISO 20022 messages and covers the whole <XChg> element of the Business File header (head.002), except for the signature itself.

Single message:

The signature is over the ISO 20022 message and takes into account the business processing relevant information specified within the BAH (e.g., pair of BICs for definition of the instructing party), except for the signature itself. The digital signature grouped in the BAH itself is not part of this signature calculation.

Further details referring the Digital Signature construction on Business Layer can be retrieved from the Annex 1.6 "Digital Signature on Business Layer" 2.1 - Digital Signature on Business Layer.

1.6.6 Routing

The ESMIG routing functions are related to both inbound and outbound traffic. In this context ESMIG is able to route messages/files (i) to the addressed service/component for inbound traffic and (ii) to NSPs and network channel for outbound traffic.

1.6.6.1 Inbound Routing

ESMIG is in charge of managing the provision of messages and files received from the NSPs to the each different market infrastructure services/components TARGET service (excluding TIPS), component or application.

The ESMIG identifies and selects the appropriate TARGET service (excluding TIPS), component or application on the basis of information provided as part of the communication. In this respect, an enhancement of the Data Exchange Protocol (DEP) is required to transport supplementary information to infer whether the target of the inbound communication is a market infrastructure service, a common component or a specific component.

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6 The XML Advanced Electronic Signatures is a W3C note which extends the [XMLDSIG] specification into the domain of non-repudiation by defining XML formats for advanced electronic signatures that remain valid over long periods and are compliant with the European "Directive 1999/93/EC of the European Parliament.

7 Non-repudiation of origin is intended to protect against the originator’s false denial of having sent the message.
Furthermore, the ESMIG passes to the business interface of the relevant TARGET service (excluding TIPS), component or application, the distinguished name (DN) of the sender (as result of the authentication process) and a predefined list of parameters.

The interface between Eurosystem Market Infrastructure counterparties and the NSP is defined by the relevant NSP protocol documentation (DEP protocol is used only between NSP and the ESMIG). In this context, the NSP interface shall ensure that at least a minimum set of information is provided by the counterparties to be compliant with the DEP protocol.

Table 7 — TARGET Services and components and applications

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Business Service</th>
<th>Component</th>
<th>Communication mode and protocol</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>T2</td>
<td>CLM</td>
<td>A2A: MSGSNF, MSGRT, FILESNF, FILERT</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>U2A: MSGSNF, MSGRT, FILESNF, FILERT</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>T2</td>
<td>RTGS</td>
<td>A2A: MSGSNF, MSGRT, FILESNF, FILERT</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

8 The table shows a non-exhaustive list of components addressable via ESMIG.
### Business Service | Component | Communication mode and protocol
--- | --- | ---
T2 | CRDM | U2A
T2 | ECONS II | A2A: MSGSNF, MSGRT, FILESNF, FILERT U2A
ECMS | ECMS | A2A: MSGSNF, MSGRT, FILESNF, FILERT U2A
T2S | T2S | A2A: MSGSNF, MSGRT, FILESNF, FILERT U2A
T2S | CRDM | A2A: MSGSNF, MSGRT, FILESNF, FILERT U2A
TIPS | TIPS | A2A: Instant messaging U2A
TIPS | CRDM | A2A: MSGSNF, MSGRT, FILESNF, FILERT U2A

#### 1.6.6.2 Outbound Routing

The ESMIG routes messages and files to the external party using:

- the network provider,
- the address used by the NSP to identify the external party,
- the communication mode,
- the protocol.

The above mentioned information is provided by the market infrastructure services/components (i.e., TARGET service (excluding TIPS), component or application (i.e., right external user address) to the ESMIG.

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9 The technical connectivity solution provided by ESMIG at the TIPS go-live did not cover the full scope of connectivity services foreseen for the go-live of T2-T2S Consolidation. In particular, A2A connectivity towards the fully-fledged CRDM will only be available as of 2021.
Figure 5 – Outbound Routing

Actor NSP 1
NSP 1
ESMIG – Service A
Specific Component X
Business Interface Specific Component X
IN OUT IN OUT
IN OUT IN OUT
Actor NSP 2
NSP 2
Business Interface Common Component 1
Common Component 1
IN OUT
IN OUT
IN OUT
2 Annexes

2.1 Digital Signature on Business Layer

2.1.1 Mechanism and Introduction for signature constructions

This Annex outlines how signatures are constructed for the Business messages. The following business message types have been identified:

- Message Type 1: File with multiple ISO 20022 messages;
- Message Type 2: Single ISO20022 Business Application Header and message.

The design goal for the proposed construction of signatures in the following sections is that as much as possible is handled by standard XML Digital Signature processing specifications and as little as possible by specific processing. This makes it less likely that errors and/or discrepancies occur in the different implementations, and therefore improve the overall security of the solution.

This annex does not apply to the TIPS service.

2.1.2 Use of XML and canonicalization algorithm

Exclusive XML canonicalization\(^\text{10}\) has to be performed for above mentioned business messages on extracted data. It is important to ensure a context free extraction otherwise the signatures will be broken if either the message or the signature itself is modified due to inherited namespaces.

This implies that the canonicalization algorithm specified in the SignedInfo element and in all the references should be in line with following information:

http://www.w3.org/2001/10/xml-exc-c14n#

2.1.3 Message Type 1: File with multiple ISO 20022 messages

For message type 1) the requirement in the UDFS section \(^{0}\) -

The message example for TIPS ReceiptAcknowledgement usage case is provided below.

```xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
  <RctAck>
    <MsgId>
      <MsgId>NONREF</MsgId>
    </MsgId>
    <Rpt>
      <RltdRef>

\(^{10}\) Exclusive XML Canonicalization http://www.w3.org/TR/xml-exc-c14n/

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"states:

"The NRO\textsuperscript{11} signature is stored in the BAH in case of individual messages or in the file header in case of messages grouped into a file. In case messages are grouped into a file, the BAH of the individual messages will not include a signature.

File (meaning multi-message):
The signature is part of the file header. It is over the list of BAH's and ISO 20022 messages and covers the whole <XChg> element of the Business File (head.002), except for the signature itself."

The signature, in particular, covers the whole BusinessFileHeader <XChg> element, except for the signature itself. So consequently, the following field will be not taken into account for Signature calculation:

\texttt{Xchg/PlydDesc/AppIspecInf/Sgntr/ds:Signature}\textsuperscript{12}

Hence, a signature will then be constructed as follows:

- One reference (in blue below) points out the XChg itself. This is done using the same document reference URI = "", which means the entire document. To leave the signature element itself out of the digest calculation, the transform "#enveloped-signature" is used.

- One reference (in yellow below) points to the KeyInfo element of the signature itself. This is a XAdES\textsuperscript{13} requirement.

\begin{footnotesize}
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\begin{itemize}
\item Non-repudiation of origin is intended to protect against the originator's false denial of having sent the message.
\item Due to the XAdES requirement the ds:KeyInfo element inside the ds:Signature is covered/protected by the signature.
\item ETSI TS 101 903 V1.4.2 (2010-12) XML Advanced Electronic Signatures
\end{itemize}
\end{footnotesize}
1) A Message Type 1 signature example is reported in the below picture:

```xml
<de:Signature Info>  
  <de:SignedInfo>  
    <de:Signature Method Algorithm="http://www.w3.org/2000/09/xmldsig#enveloped-signature"/>  
    <de:Reference URI="/"/>  
  </de:SignedInfo>  
  <de:Signature Method Algorithm="http://www.w3.org/2001/10/xml-c14n#"/>  
  <de:Reference URI="/"/>  
</de:Signature Info>
</Xchg>
```

Reference to the message (head.002):

```
<xch xmlns="urn:iso:std:iso:20022:tech:xsd:head.002.001.01">  
  <PyldIdr>  
    <FILEREF1>FILEREF1</FILEREF1>  
    <CcdDtAndTm>2014-12-17T09:47:42Z</CcdDtAndTm>  
  </PyldIdr>  
</xch>
```

2) A Message Type 1 structure example (including signature) is provided in XML format as described below:

```xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>  
<xch xmlns="urn:iso:std:iso:20022:tech:xsd:head.002.001.01">  
  <PyldDesc>  
    <PyldIdr>FILEREF1</PyldIdr>  
  </PyldDesc>  
</xch>
```

14 ESMIG digital signature services are configured to produce and generate rsa-sha256 signatures, and use sha256 digest.
<ds:X509Certificate>
<ds:Signature>
<TtlNbOfDocs>1</TtlNbOfDocs>
<ApplSpcfcInf>
<Typ>ISO20022</Typ>
</ApplSpcfcInf>
</ds:X509Certificate>

<ds:X509Data>
<ds:KeyInfo>
<Typ>ISO20022</Typ>
</ds:KeyInfo>
</ds:X509Data>

<TtlNbOfDocs>1</TtlNbOfDocs>
<PyldTpDtls>
<MnfstDtls>
<DocTp>camt.003.001.05</DocTp>
<NbOfDocs>1</NbOfDocs>
</MnfstDtls>
</PyldTpDtls>
</PyldDesc>
</Pyld>

<BizData xmlns="urn:iso:std:iso:20022:tech:xsd:head.003.001.01">
<AppHdr xmlns="urn:iso:std:iso:20022:tech:xsd:head.001.001.01">
<Fr>
<FiId>
<FinInstnId>
<BICFI>CSDPARTCPNT</BICFI>
</FinInstnId>
</FiId>
</Fr>

<To>
<FiId>
<FinInstnId>
<BICFI>SYSTEMIDT2S</BICFI>
</FinInstnId>
</FiId>
</To>

<BizMsgIdr>REF3</BizMsgIdr>
(MsgDefIdr>camt.003.001.05</MsgDefIdr>
<CreDt>2014-12-17T09:30:47Z</CreDt>
</AppHdr>
</Document xmlns="urn:swift:xsd:DRAFT7camt.003.001.05">

<GetAcct>
<MsgHdr>
<ReqTp>
<Prtry>
<ID>CASB</ID>
</Prtry>
</ReqTp>
</MsgHdr>
</GetAcct>
2.1.5 Message Type 2: single ISO 20022 message

For message type 2) the requirement in UDFS section 0 —

The message example for TIPS ReceiptAcknowledgement usage case is provided below.

```xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<Document xmlns="urn:iso:std:iso:20022:tech:xsd:DRAFT2admi.007.001.01"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema">
  <RctAck>
    <MsgId>NONREF</MsgId>
    <Rpt>
      <RltdRef>
        <Ref>MSID43197</Ref>
        <RltdRef>
          <Ref>MSID43197</Ref>
        </RltdRef>
      </RltdRef>
    </Rpt>
  </RctAck>
</Document>
```

15 See also MUG (Message user guide) for BAH; http://www.iso20022.org/bah.page

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states:

"Single message: The signature is over the ISO 20022 message and takes into account the business processing relevant information specified within the BAH (e.g. pair of BICs for definition of the instructing party), except for the signature itself. The digital signature grouped in the BAH itself is not part of this signature calculation."

So consequently, the following field will be not taken into account for Signature calculation:

```
AppHdr/Sgntr/ds:Signature
```

In this case the BAH and the ISO 20022 message are considered not to be in the same document.

"Technically speaking, the Application Header is a separate XML document standing apart from the XML documents which represent the business message instance itself."

Since the documents that are referenced do not carry an ID attribute that could be used for identifying the specific document, it has been decided to use a specific reference for the business message, ESMIG ensures that the BAH and the corresponding ISO message are always stored together.

**TARGET Service Specific Reference for document signature**

In the XML Digital Signature standard there is the possibility to use a reference with no URI i.e. omitting the URI attribute entirely. However, there can be at most one such reference in a signature, and handling of it is specific, and not covered by the XML Digital Signature standard. Hence, the reference to the message must be given by the context and known by the application.

The signature will then be constructed as follows:

- One reference (in blue below) points out the BAH (AppHdr) itself. This is done using the same document reference URI = "", which means the entire document. To leave the signature element itself out of the digest calculation, the transform "#enveloped-signature" is used;

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16 Due to the XAdES requirement the ds:KeyInfo element inside the ds:Signature is covered/protected by the signature.
17 ISO20022 do not support and specify an ID attribute, that can be used to uniquely identify BAH and ISO message.
18 XML Signature Syntax and Processing (Second Edition), W3C Recommendation 10 June 2008, "http://www.w3.org/TR/xmldsig-core/"
• One reference (in green below) is application specific and refers to the business message (no URI). The application will provide the signature API with the relevant message. The signature API is customized to resolve the no URI reference to this message;

• One reference (in yellow below) points to the KeyInfo element of the signature itself (XAdes requirements).

1) A message type 2 signature example (with application specific reference) is reported in the below picture:

General remark: The signature is over the ISO 20022 message and takes into account the business processing relevant information specified within the Message Header (BAH), except the signature itself. The Digital Signature in the BAH itself is NOT part of this signature calculation.

Reference to the BAH (AppHdr):

Reference to the BAH less the signature

EESM digital signature services are configured to produce and generate rsa-sha256 signatures, and use sha256 digest.
2) A Message Type 2 structure example (including signature) is provided in XML format as described below:

```xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<AppHdr xmlns="urn:iso:std:iso:20022:tech:xsd:head.001.001.01">
  <Fr>
    <FinInstrnId>
      <BICFI>CSDPARTCPNT</BICFI>
      <ClrSysId>
        <Prtry>T2S</Prtry>
      </ClrSysId>
      <MmbId<SystemUserX1>MmbId>
      </ClrSysMmbId>
    </FinInstrnId>
    <Fr>
      <FinInstrnId>
        <BICFI>SETTLSYS2S</BICFI>
      </FinInstrnId>
      <To>
        <FinInstrnId>
          <BizMsgIdr>SENDERSREFERENCE</BizMsgIdr>
        </FinInstrnId>
        <Sgntr>
          <CreDt>2001-12-17T09:2015-01-02T09:30:47Z</CreDt>
        </Sgntr>
      </To>
    </Fr>
  </Fr>
</AppHdr>
```

The application will provide the signature API with the relevant message.
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Usage of block “Object”:
In message type 1 and 2 the ds:Object element is not used when constructing the signature. The ESMIG digital signature API (Application Programming Interface) follows standard XML Signature Processing which defines what happens when a ds:Object element is encountered:

- If the ds:Object (or its content) is referenced in ds:SignedInfo, then the API will verify this reference as part of the signature verification;
- If the ds:Object is not referenced in ds:SignedInfo, then the API will ignore it, when performing the cryptographic check of the signature.

However, if the ds:Object contains e.g. XAdES Qualifying properties, these will be examined in order to determine the signature format, i.e., is the signature a XAdES-BES or XAdES-T or XAdES-C.

ESMIG recommendation is to not use in message type 1 and 2 the ds:Object element.

Usage of Attribute ID of the block “Signature”:
ESMIG will generate the ID attribute of the Signature element when building a signature to be sent to counterparts. The ID attribute is optional for signatures sent to ESMIG. If present, the value of the ID attribute must be an underscore (“_”) followed by a universally unique identifier (UUID), that is either \textit{time-based} (UUID version 1) or random (UUID version 4). The UUID generating system is responsible for ensuring that all the UUID's in a single document are unique.
Usage of block “KeyInfo”:
The XAdES standard allows two different methods to comply with the XAdES-BES requirement. In ESMIG signature services implementation it has been decided to use the one that includes the signer certificate in the KeyInfo element:

- Element KeyInfo must be present and must include the ds:X509Data/ds:X509Certificate containing the signing certificate.
- The ID attribute on the KeyInfo element is mandatory and the value of the ID attribute must be a underscore ("_") followed by a universally unique identifier (UUID), that is either timebased (UUID version 1) or random (UUID version 4).
- The SignedInfo element must reference the KeyInfo element using the ID attribute.

Usage of the alternative ds:Object/QualifyingProperties/SignedProperties/SignedSignatureProperties/SigningCertificate element is not allowed.

Anchor of trust
It is necessary that the parties have enough information to validate the signatures. This is ensured by having the same anchor of trust in both ends and providing certificates in KeyInfo. Depending on the Certificate Authority (CA) structure and the chosen anchor of trust, the number of certificates included in the KeyInfo element may vary:

- In case of a root CA that issues intermediate CA certificates that in turn issue the signer certificates, the chain in the KeyInfo element depends on the chosen anchor of trust:
  - If the anchor of trust is the intermediate CA, then the chain in the KeyInfo element need only to contain the signer certificate;
  - If the anchor of trust is the root CA, the chain in the KeyInfo element must include both the signer certificate and the intermediate CA certificate.

- In case of a root CA that issues signer certificates directly, the root CA is the anchor of trust: The chain in the KeyInfo element needs only to contain the signer certificate.

The parties communicating must use the same certificates as anchor of trust. It is up to ESMIG signature services for each CA to choose the certificate (root or intermediate) that constitutes the anchor of trust.
### 2.2 List of business rules and error codes

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<td>The invoked TARGET service responds to the query request within the timeout limit. Message based or file based store and forward network service will be used.</td>
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<td>Application-to-Application</td>
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