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### Consumer price indices in ECU

Owing to the very large depreciation of the LIT and UKL against the ECU over the 12 month period relative to the rate of growth of the CPI in the respective national currencies, the growth rate of the CPI in ECU for the EUR15 recorded a decrease of - 0.6% in the 12 months to April. Notice that the shares of Italy and United Kingdom in the total household consumption of EUR15 are 16.4% and 16.5% respectively. The greatest increase was recorded in the index of Finland (10.8%) due to the sharp appreciation of its currency against the ECU rather than to its modest inflation rate over the above period. For the same reason the indices of seven ERM countries, that is, the indices of Holland, Austria, Luxembourg, Germany, Belgium, Denmark and France rose by 7.2%, 7.1%, 6.9%, 6.8%, 6.4%, 6.4% and 3.6% respectively. As a result, the growth rate of the CPI in ECU for the ERM was 4.7% in the 12 months to April.

### Bilateral fluctuations of the ERM currencies.

Graph 1 on page 4 portrays the evolution of the bilateral fluctuations of the ERM currencies between April 3 and May 31, 1995 calculated on a daily basis. This graph illustrates that until May 31 (except the period between May 16 - May 26 when the FF was under pressure) the IRL was at a weak position against the other ERM currencies and in particular against the HFL, BLF, DM, OS. The graph also illustrates that during the whole period considered the ESC and DKR (followed by PTA since May 15) moved within a very narrow range around their central rates.

### Strong decrease in ECU yields but few new issues of ECU bonds

The primary ECU bond market experienced a dull period in May as no eurobonds were launched. The Italian Treasury staged a come-back on the market for the first time since January this year with the launching of two 500 million ECUs CTEs at 3 and 5 years. The French Treasury stuck to its ECU issuance programme as it is committed to tap the market through regular auctions every second month. The Treasury tapped two existing lines of OAT and BTAN for a total amount of 575 millions of ECUs.

During the period 21 April - 2 June ECU bonds performed remarkably well on the secondary market in both absolute and relative terms. Every week experienced a yield decrease whatever the maturity considered. Over the period, yields decreased impressively. Three year yields tumbled by 56 bp whereas 10 year yields fell by 43 bp. As the shorter end of the maturity spectrum benefited most from the downward trend, the slope of the curve as measured by the 10-2 year yield spread rose by 14 bp. ECU bonds performed well against component markets, especially the DEM. The actual-theoretical spread which had significantly risen in March at the time of EMS tensions returned to lower levels, from about +20 bp to +5 bp at 10 years.

ECU bonds benefited from a fall in USD yields as statistics suggest that the US economy is slowing down at a faster than expected pace and recession is now feared more than inflation.

For the table concerning the recent evolution of ECU yields, please refer to last page.



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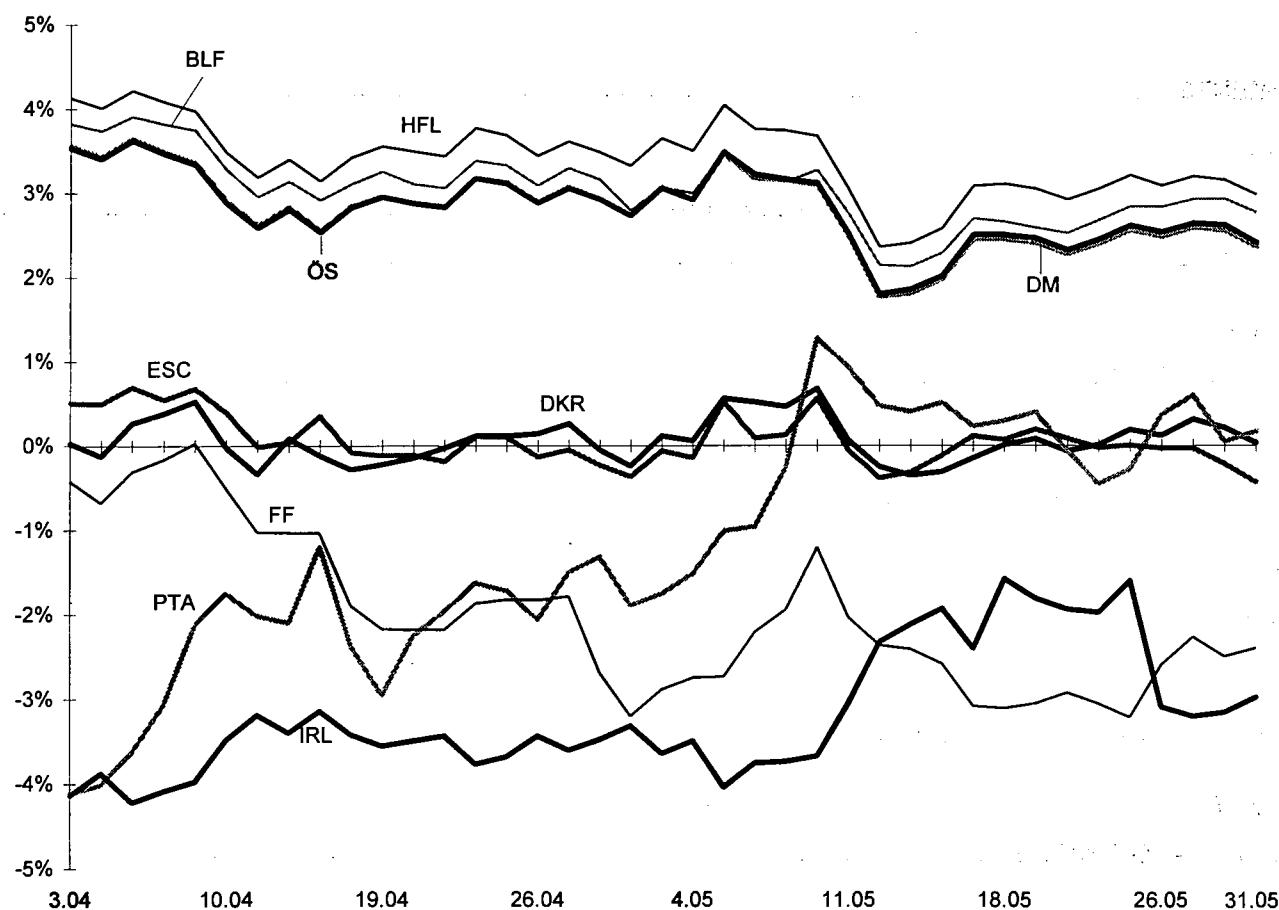
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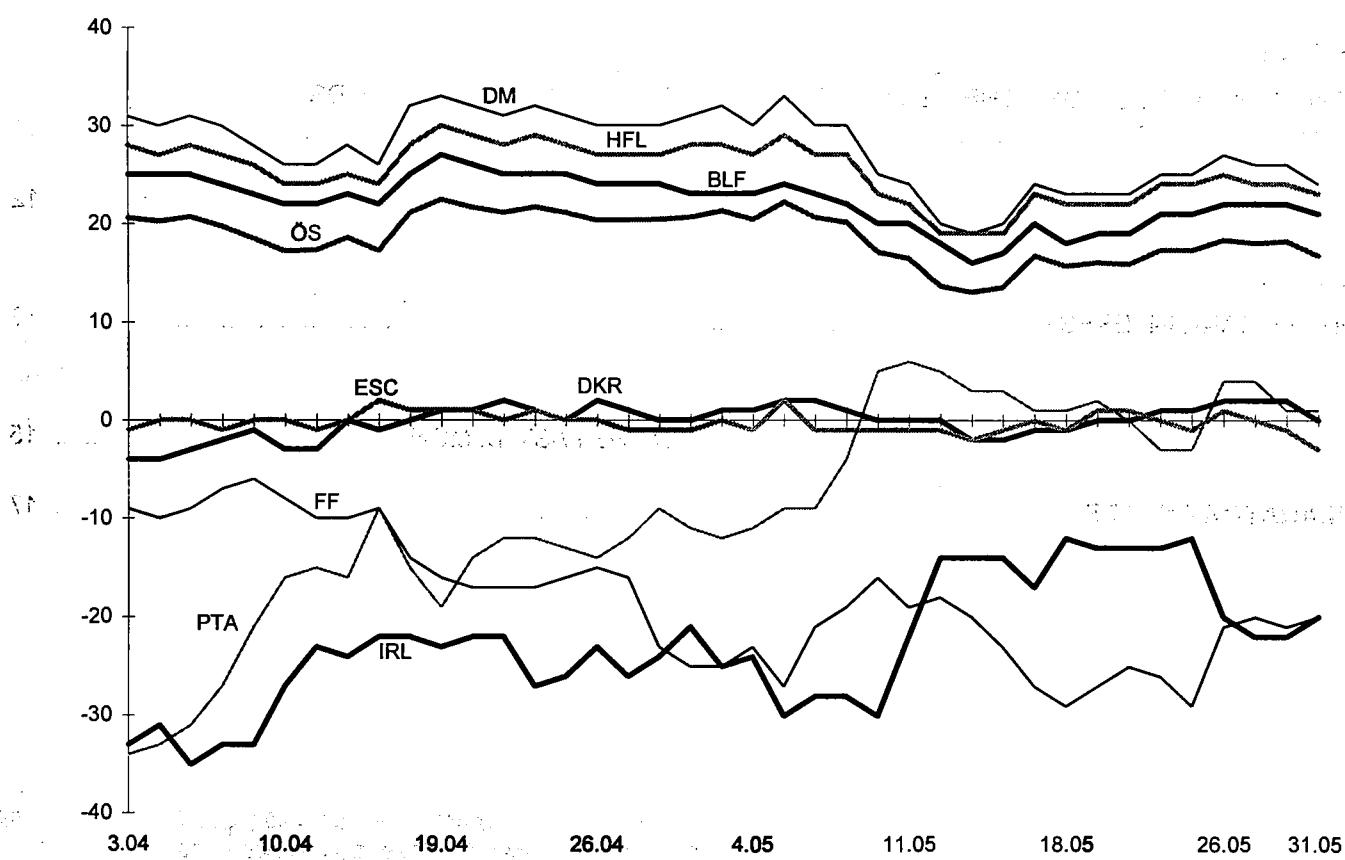
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## BILATERAL FLUCTUATIONS OF THE ERM CURRENCIES



## DIVERGENCE INDICATOR



**TABLE I****ECU BOND ISSUES (Mio ECU) \***

EVI eurostat	TOTAL EURO	European Union				Non-European Union				Domestic**	EURO + DOMESTIC
		Total	Business sector	Govern- ments	Institu- tions	Total	Business sector	Govern- ments	Organisa- tions		
1989	11 127	6 461	4 400	500	1 561	4 666	4 141	425	100	1 652	12 779
1990	15 040	10 525	3 990	5 000	1 535	4 515	3 565	550	400	2 857	17 897
1991	27 163	19 266	6 581	7 900	4 785	7 897	3 932	3 790	175	3 134	30 297
1992	19 242	11 675	4 870	2 475	4 330	7 567	3 902	2 850	815	4 151	23 393
1993	6 870	5 020	1 565	250	3 205	1 850	250	1 600	0	6 508	13 378
1994	6 485	5 010	1 825	1 300	1 885	1 475	1 075	400	0	7 311	13 796
1993 II	1 130	630	130	250	250	500	0	500	0	500	1 630
III	1 070	770	720	0	50	300	200	100	0	2 298	3 368
IV	2 690	2 140	415	0	1 725	550	50	500	0	500	3 190
1994 I	2 410	2 285	910	1 150	225	125	125	0	0	2 498	4 908
II	1 815	1 215	415	0	800	600	200	400	0	2 559	4 374
III	945	595	150	150	295	350	350	0	0	1 221	2 166
IV	1 315	915	350	0	565	400	400	0	0	1 033	2 348
1995 I	2 375	2 075	525	900	650	300	300	0	0	2 939	5 314
1995 03	1 450	1 400	250	900	250	50	50	0	0	1 421	2 871
04	170	0	0	0	0	170	170	0	0	500	670
05	80	0	0	0	0	80	80	0	0	575	655

(\*) Recording based on the payment date

(\*\*) Only domestic issues which can be assimilated with Eurobonds

**TABLE II****LAST MONTH'S ECU BOND ISSUES**

Issue Payment Date	Borrower & country	Amount Issued (Mio Ecu)	Issue Price	Coupon	Term (years)	Maturity	Yield %	Lead Manager	Listing	Notice
10.05.1995 24.05.1995	France OAT	253	95.02	6.75	6+11m	25.04.2002	7.70	Auction	PA	FG
10.05.1995 24.05.1995	France BTAN	322	100.49	7.25	2+10m	16.03.1998	7.04	Auction	PA	FG

TABLE III

## CONSUMER PRICE INDICES IN NATIONAL CURRENCY

1985=100

 eurostat	B	DK	D	GR	E	F	IRL	I	L	NL	A	P	FIN	S	UK	EUR 15	ERM
1988	104.1	112.7	101.4	162.6	120.0	108.7	109.4	116.5	101.7	100.7	105.1	133.9	112.6	114.9	113.0	110.9	107.5
1989	107.3	118.1	104.2	184.9	128.2	112.5	113.9	123.8	105.1	101.7	107.8	151.0	120.0	122.3	121.8	116.6	111.8
1990	111.0	121.2	107.0	222.6	136.8	116.5	117.6	131.8	109.0	104.2	111.3	170.9	127.4	135.1	133.3	123.3	116.5
1991	114.6	124.1	110.7	266.0	145.0	120.2	121.3	140.0	112.4	108.3	115.1	189.6	132.8	147.8	141.1	129.6	121.6
1992	117.4	126.7	115.1	308.1	153.5	123.0	125.1	147.3	115.9	111.7	119.7	206.7	136.7	151.1	146.4	135.0	126.3
1993	120.6	128.3	119.9	352.6	160.6	125.6	126.9	153.8	120.1	114.6	124.0	220.0	139.7	158.2	148.7	139.7	130.6
1994	123.5	130.9	123.5	391.1	168.1	127.7	129.8	160.0	122.7	117.8	127.7	231.5	141.2	161.6	152.4	144.1	134.3
1994 05	123.2	130.9	123.4	389.9	167.3	127.8	129.5	159.4	122.3	117.6	127.1	231.1	140.5	161.5	153.0	144.0	134.2
06	123.4	131.1	123.6	393.7	167.4	127.8	:	159.7	122.3	117.3	127.3	231.5	141.7	161.5	153.0	144.1	134.3
07	124.2	130.8	123.7	387.3	168.0	127.8	:	160.1	122.8	117.7	128.8	231.9	141.9	161.6	152.2	144.2	134.5
08	124.4	131.3	123.8	388.5	169.3	127.8	130.5	160.4	123.0	118.2	129.6	232.2	142.1	161.6	153.0	144.5	134.7
09	124.2	131.4	123.9	401.1	169.7	128.1	:	160.9	123.4	119.2	128.6	232.7	142.4	163.1	153.3	145.0	135.0
10	123.9	131.7	124.0	406.0	170.0	128.5	:	161.7	123.6	119.3	128.2	233.6	142.5	163.3	153.5	145.3	135.2
11	123.9	132.0	124.2	407.3	170.3	128.5	130.7	162.4	123.9	119.0	128.1	234.0	142.1	163.1	153.6	145.5	135.3
12	124.0	132.0	124.4	411.9	171.1	128.3	:	162.8	124.1	118.5	128.1	234.7	142.0	162.9	154.3	145.7	135.4
1995 01	124.5	132.1	125.0	410.2	172.9	128.7	:	163.4	124.5	118.8	129.1	237.5	141.9	163.5	154.3	146.3	136.1
02	124.8	132.7	125.5	408.5	173.7	129.2	131.8	164.8p	124.7	119.4	129.7	239.2	142.4	164.1	155.3	147.0p	136.6
03	124.7	133.1	125.6	420.2	174.8	129.5	:	166.1p	124.8	120.0	130.1	240.4	142.4	164.8	155.9	147.6p	136.6
04	124.9	133.3	125.9	425.2	175.7	129.6p	:	166.9p	124.8	120.2	130.2p	241.3	142.5	165.9	157.5	148.3p	136.6p

## Annual rate of increase (%)

 eurostat	B	DK	D	GR	E	F	IRL	I	L	NL	A	P	FIN	S	UK	EUR 15	ERM
1988	1.2	4.5	1.3	13.5	4.8	2.7	2.2	5.1	1.4	0.9	1.9	9.7	5.1	6.1	4.9	3.6	2.7
1989	3.1	4.8	2.8	13.7	6.8	3.5	4.1	6.2	3.4	1.1	2.6	12.8	6.6	6.6	7.8	5.2	4.0
1990	3.5	2.6	2.7	20.4	6.7	3.5	3.3	6.5	3.7	2.5	3.3	13.2	6.1	10.4	9.5	5.7	4.2
1991	3.2	2.4	3.5	19.5	6.0	3.2	3.2	6.3	3.1	3.9	3.3	10.9	4.3	9.7	5.9	5.1	4.3
1992	2.4	2.1	4.0	15.9	5.9	2.4	3.1	5.2	3.2	3.2	4.0	9.0	2.9	2.6	3.7	4.2	3.9
1993	2.8	1.3	4.1	14.5	4.6	2.1	1.4	4.5	3.6	2.6	3.6	6.4	2.2	4.7	1.6	3.5	3.4
1994	2.4	2.0	3.0	10.9	4.7	1.7	2.3	4.0	2.2	2.8	3.0	5.2	1.1	2.3	2.5	3.1	2.9
1994 05	2.6	1.9	3.0	11.0	4.9	1.7	2.7	4.0	2.1	2.9	3.0	5.7	0.2	2.3	2.6	3.2	2.9
06	2.8	2.1	3.0	10.9	4.7	1.8	:	3.8	2.1	3.0	2.9	5.7	1.3	2.6	2.6	3.2	2.9
07	2.7	2.0	2.9	11.2	4.7	1.7	:	3.8	2.2	2.8	2.8	5.1	1.6	2.9	2.4	3.1	2.8
08	2.4	2.2	3.0	11.1	4.8	1.7	2.5	3.8	2.0	2.6	3.2	4.8	1.9	2.7	2.4	3.1	2.8
09	2.5	2.0	3.0	11.9	4.5	1.6	:	3.9	2.2	2.7	3.1	4.7	1.9	2.7	2.2	3.1	2.8
10	2.1	2.0	2.8	11.1	4.3	1.7	:	3.8	2.1	2.8	2.9	4.6	1.8	2.5	2.4	3.0	2.7
11	2.0	2.1	2.7	10.6	4.3	1.6	2.4	3.9	2.0	2.5	2.8	4.0	1.6	2.4	2.6	3.0	2.6
12	1.9	2.3	2.7	10.8	4.3	1.6	:	4.0	2.0	2.6	2.6	4.0	1.6	2.6	2.9	3.0	2.6
1995 01	1.9	2.3	2.3	11.1	4.4	1.7	:	3.9	2.3	2.5	2.6	4.4	1.8	2.9	3.3	3.0	2.5
02	1.8	2.3	2.4	10.4	4.8	1.7	2.5	4.3p	2.2	2.4	2.4	4.6	1.8	2.9	3.4	3.2p	2.6
03	1.7	2.5	2.3	10.3	5.2	1.8	:	4.8p	2.3	2.3	2.4	4.8	1.6	3.0	3.5	3.3p	2.4
04	1.7	2.3	2.3	9.9	5.2	1.6p	:	5.2p	2.2	2.3	2.6p	4.6	1.5	3.3	3.3	3.3p	2.0p

p=provisional

TABLE IV

## CONSUMER PRICE INDICES IN ECU

1985=100

	B	DK	D	GR	E	F	IRL	I	L	NL	A	P	FIN	S	UK	EUR 15	ERM	ECU
1988	107.6	113.6	108.8	100.9	112.5	105.0	100.9	109.6	105.2	108.3	112.7	102.3	106.9	103.5	100.2	107.1	108.0	107.8
1989	111.1	117.7	112.1	107.5	126.8	108.9	104.4	118.5	108.8	109.4	115.8	112.9	119.3	112.3	106.6	113.2	112.9	112.0
1990	117.5	123.7	116.1	114.9	136.4	114.5	109.3	125.2	115.4	113.2	120.6	122.6	123.1	117.1	110.0	118.7	118.6	117.0
1991	121.9	125.8	120.2	122.8	145.5	117.1	112.7	132.2	119.6	117.8	124.7	137.9	124.8	128.8	118.5	124.6	123.3	122.0
1992	126.7	130.1	126.9	129.8	149.6	122.1	117.4	133.8	125.2	123.3	131.7	153.8	110.9	131.0	117.2	128.2	128.1	126.7
1993	133.8	135.5	137.8	136.6	139.3	128.7	113.4	120.9	133.3	132.3	142.4	152.1	98.0	113.1	112.2	128.3	132.6	131.0
1994	139.8	139.1	142.8	141.2	136.4	131.8	117.0	120.9	139.0	137.1	147.5	152.7	107.2	115.0	115.6	131.1	135.7	134.8
1994 05	139.2	138.9	142.3	141.9	135.6	131.3	117.1	124.1	138.2	136.3	146.4	150.5	104.6	117.1	116.3	131.5	135.1	134.7
06	139.7	139.1	142.7	141.2	135.7	131.8	117.1	122.5	138.4	136.3	146.9	150.5	103.8	114.0	116.0	131.2	135.5	134.8
07	141.1	139.2	143.6	139.0	136.9	132.1	116.7	121.1	139.6	137.4	149.2	152.9	104.9	111.1	113.3	130.9	136.2	134.9
08	141.7	139.1	144.0	139.4	137.3	132.4	116.2	119.8	140.1	138.2	150.5	154.3	106.1	111.3	113.5	131.0	136.7	135.2
09	141.4	139.5	143.9	143.0	137.5	132.8	116.7	120.2	140.5	139.3	149.1	154.8	108.9	114.2	114.2	131.5	136.9	135.5
10	141.1	140.8	144.0	143.7	137.6	133.0	117.7	119.7	140.7	139.5	148.7	154.9	113.5	116.3	115.1	131.8	137.0	135.7
11	141.3	141.3	144.4	143.6	137.6	132.8	117.6	119.3	141.3	139.2	148.8	155.5	113.6	116.3	115.5	131.8	137.2	135.8
12	141.7	141.3	144.9	145.1	137.1	132.5	118.0	118.5	141.8	139.1	149.0	155.5	113.1	116.2	116.5	131.9	137.2	135.9
1995 01	142.8	141.4	146.4	144.3	135.5	133.0	118.2	118.2	142.8	139.9	150.9	157.3	113.3	115.0	115.2	131.9	137.8	136.4
02	144.1	142.6	147.8	143.0	136.3	133.5	117.0	116.9p	143.9	141.5	152.5	158.9	114.4	115.0	114.1	132.1p	138.8	137.0p
03	146.5	143.8	150.9	145.0	133.1	134.1	114.3	107.9p	146.5	145.1	156.0	160.2	115.8	112.1	111.5	130.6p	140.1	137.5p
04	147.3	146.6	151.3	146.5	135.9	135.4p	115.4	105.1p	147.1	145.6	156.2p	160.1	116.7	109.7	111.2	130.6p	141.2p	138.0p

## Annual rate of increase (%)

	B	DK	D	GR	E	F	IRL	I	L	NL	A	P	FIN	S	UK	EUR 15	ERM	ECU
1988	0.3	3.6	1.1	5.8	8.3	1.1	2.1	2.2	0.5	0.9	1.8	4.9	7.7	6.8	11.3	3.9	1.4	2.5
1989	3.2	3.5	3.0	6.5	12.7	3.7	4.0	8.1	3.5	1.1	2.7	10.6	11.6	8.6	6.6	5.7	4.6	3.9
1990	5.8	5.2	3.6	6.9	7.6	5.1	4.5	5.7	6.0	3.5	4.2	8.4	3.2	4.3	3.4	4.8	5.1	4.5
1991	3.7	1.7	3.5	6.8	6.7	2.3	3.1	5.5	3.6	3.9	3.4	12.5	1.4	10.0	7.7	5.0	4.0	4.3
1992	4.0	3.4	5.6	5.7	2.8	4.3	4.1	1.3	4.7	4.9	5.6	11.5	-11.2	1.8	-1.1	2.9	3.9	3.8
1993	5.6	4.1	8.6	5.2	-6.9	5.4	-3.5	-9.7	6.4	7.3	8.1	-1.1	-11.6	-13.6	-4.2	0.0	3.5	3.4
1994	4.5	2.7	3.7	3.4	-2.0	2.4	3.1	0.0	4.3	3.6	3.6	0.5	9.4	1.7	3.0	2.2	2.4	2.9
1994 05	3.7	1.3	4.3	3.0	-2.9	1.4	4.1	0.7	3.3	4.2	4.3	-2.2	6.2	1.3	4.1	2.3	2.1	2.9
06	4.1	1.2	4.5	1.8	-1.0	1.7	4.1	-2.1	3.4	4.6	4.4	-1.5	4.0	-2.3	3.7	1.9	2.6	2.9
07	4.7	2.3	4.7	2.5	1.2	2.8	3.3	-2.2	4.2	4.8	4.6	1.5	5.1	-1.8	-1.6	1.6	3.5	2.8
08	5.8	5.8	3.4	3.2	3.8	4.2	4.0	-2.5	5.4	3.2	3.6	5.3	7.2	-1.0	-1.9	1.8	4.0	2.8
09	6.7	5.8	2.7	5.0	1.2	3.7	5.2	-0.8	6.4	2.7	2.8	5.1	13.2	4.1	0.0	2.2	3.2	2.8
10	7.4	4.8	2.3	4.5	0.7	3.7	4.6	-1.0	7.4	2.6	2.4	5.2	15.6	4.4	1.0	2.2	2.9	2.7
11	5.9	4.1	3.0	3.1	1.3	3.1	3.6	-0.7	5.9	3.0	3.0	4.5	13.4	4.3	0.0	2.1	3.0	2.6
12	4.5	3.3	3.8	3.9	2.8	1.9	2.8	-0.1	4.7	3.7	3.6	4.6	12.1	5.8	-0.1	2.2	3.1	2.7
1995 01	5.0	3.0	4.5	4.8	1.2	2.0	0.1	-1.6	5.5	4.5	4.7	4.5	9.8	0.1	-2.2	1.6	3.3	2.6
02	4.7	3.8	5.1	4.1	0.7	2.1	0.2	-3.5p	5.1	5.2	5.1	4.8	8.7	-1.5	-2.5	1.3p	3.5	2.7p
03	5.9	4.6	6.6	3.1	-1.5	2.1	-1.0	-10.3p	6.5	6.9	6.7	6.9	11.2	-3.2	-3.7	0.2p	4.1	2.8p
04	6.4	6.4	6.8	3.3	-0.7	3.6p	-1.3	-15.2p	6.9	7.2	7.1p	5.6	10.8	-6.2	-4.8	-0.6p	4.7p	2.7p

p=provisional

TABLE V

## ECU EXCHANGE RATES

 eurostat	B/LFR	DKR	DM	DRA	PTA	FF	IRL	LIT	HFL	ÖS
<b>Yearly averages</b>										
1985	44.9137	8.01876	2.22632	105.739	129.135	6.79502	0.715167	1447.99	2.51101	15.6428
1986	43.7979	7.93565	2.12819	137.425	137.456	6.79976	0.733526	1461.88	2.40090	14.9643
1987	43.0410	7.88472	2.07153	156.268	142.165	6.92910	0.775448	1494.91	2.33418	14.5710
1988	43.4285	7.95152	2.07440	167.576	137.601	7.03644	0.775672	1537.33	2.33479	14.5861
1989	43.3806	8.04929	2.07015	178.840	130.406	7.02387	0.776818	1510.47	2.33526	14.5695
1990	42.4257	7.85652	2.05209	201.412	129.411	6.91412	0.767768	1521.98	2.31212	14.4399
1991	42.2233	7.90859	2.05076	225.216	128.469	6.97332	0.767809	1533.24	2.31098	14.4309
1992	41.5932	7.80925	2.02031	247.026	132.526	6.84839	0.760718	1595.51	2.27482	14.2169
1993	40.4713	7.59359	1.93639	268.568	149.124	6.63368	0.799952	1841.23	2.17521	13.6238
1994	39.6565	7.54328	1.92452	288.026	158.918	6.58261	0.793618	1915.06	2.15827	13.5395
<b>Monthly averages</b>										
94/05	39.7402	7.55863	1.93076	285.832	158.988	6.61117	0.791644	1857.15	2.16677	13.5796
94/06	39.6927	7.55808	1.92800	289.972	159.017	6.58760	0.791689	1885.51	2.16115	13.5627
94/07	39.5323	7.53595	1.91818	289.751	158.232	6.57349	0.800096	1911.34	2.15151	13.4948
94/08	39.4299	7.56621	1.91357	289.807	158.831	6.55729	0.803157	1936.17	2.14870	13.4647
94/09	39.4411	7.55264	1.91637	291.742	159.049	6.55492	0.800065	1936.25	2.14834	13.4870
94/10	39.4401	7.50204	1.91672	293.745	159.294	6.56108	0.794364	1952.62	2.14734	13.4902
94/11	39.3855	7.49232	1.91426	294.888	159.486	6.57243	0.794537	1968.24	2.14556	13.4750
94/12	39.2942	7.49155	1.91135	295.266	160.814	6.58300	0.792076	1985.46	2.14012	13.4520
95/01	39.1627	7.49040	1.90123	295.700	164.519	6.57322	0.796967	1999.01	2.13128	13.3768
95/02	38.9137	7.46117	1.89007	297.011	164.235	6.57441	0.805134	2037.76	2.11882	13.3019
95/03	38.2423	7.41893	1.85278	301.423	169.269	6.56230	0.823971	2226.35	2.07746	13.0411
95/04	38.0913	7.29452	1.85233	301.839	166.666	6.50276	0.823342	2296.16	2.07414	13.0345
95/05	38.2840	7.28261	1.86040	301.496	162.790	6.58113	0.815580	2182.77	2.08265	13.0835
<b>Daily rates: 05-95</b>										
02/05	38.1482	7.28198	1.85076	301.950	165.170	6.59807	0.816882	2237.20	2.07224	13.0216
03/05	38.1342	7.27454	1.84889	301.699	165.392	6.59550	0.821862	2238.09	2.07022	13.0095
04/05	38.1570	7.27732	1.85154	302.025	164.946	6.58466	0.820403	2236.60	2.07327	13.0266
05/05	38.0892	7.26554	1.84704	301.440	164.697	6.60810	0.828038	2207.90	2.06798	12.9912
08/05	38.1815	7.26463	1.85194	301.959	164.519	6.56870	0.825128	2199.28	2.07344	13.0223
09/05	38.2205	7.26997	1.85271	301.536	163.363	6.55209	0.825087	2202.59	2.07422	13.0326
10/05	38.3233	7.28422	1.86162	302.325	161.440	6.53005	0.827989	2175.53	2.08437	13.0937
11/05	38.3264	7.28949	1.86342	302.054	161.139	6.54779	0.818058	2170.06	2.08718	13.1061
12/05	38.4508	7.28850	1.87147	302.056	161.351	6.54627	0.809218	2160.61	2.09571	13.1626
15/05	38.5178	7.30807	1.87370	302.009	161.735	6.55989	0.808856	2116.05	2.09802	13.1755
16/05	38.4854	7.31143	1.87207	300.274	161.694	6.57751	0.808117	2125.09	2.09598	13.1653
17/05	38.3277	7.30161	1.86313	300.357	162.215	6.61336	0.812271	2147.37	2.08526	13.1006
18/05	38.4068	7.30167	1.86619	300.292	162.368	6.62610	0.806891	2143.09	2.08807	13.1220
19/05	38.3956	7.28869	1.86513	300.703	162.026	6.61531	0.807937	2155.80	2.08722	13.1141
22/05	38.3748	7.29067	1.86547	300.845	162.601	6.59868	0.807971	2168.03	2.08755	13.1175
23/05	38.2788	7.27924	1.86147	301.184	163.117	6.60191	0.807651	2194.68	2.08285	13.0887
24/05	38.2831	7.27913	1.86165	301.433	163.130	6.62530	0.806121	2182.32	2.08299	13.0896
26/05	38.1903	7.26607	1.85858	302.117	161.641	6.56753	0.816252	2211.95	2.08059	13.0679
29/05	38.2160	7.26393	1.85954	301.614	161.535	6.55697	0.818548	2203.66	2.08161	13.0751
30/05	38.1941	7.26703	1.85909	301.614	162.356	6.56833	0.817694	2190.95	2.08137	13.0710
31/05	38.2621	7.28101	1.86307	301.933	162.155	6.56171	0.816210	2171.23	2.08551	13.1006

TABLE V

## ECU EXCHANGE RATES

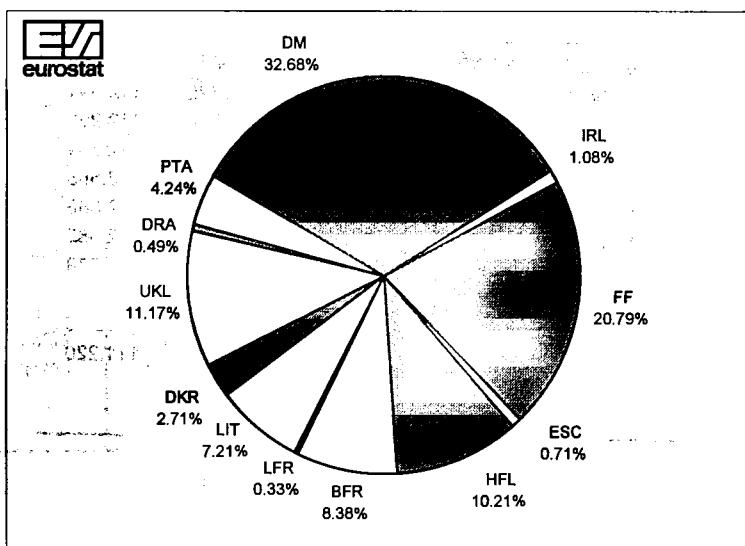
	ESC	FMK	SKR	UKL	IKR	NKR	SFR	USD	YEN
<b>Yearly averages</b>									
1985	130.251	4.69423	6.52133	0.588977	31.6485	6.51104	1.85572	0.763088	180.559
1986	147.088	4.97974	6.99567	0.671543	40.3813	7.27750	1.76086	0.984167	164.997
1987	162.616	5.06517	7.31001	0.704571	44.5548	7.76498	1.71780	1.154440	166.598
1988	170.059	4.94362	7.24192	0.664434	50.7794	7.70054	1.72822	1.182480	151.459
1989	173.413	4.72301	7.09939	0.673302	62.8909	7.60381	1.80010	1.101750	151.938
1990	181.109	4.85496	7.52051	0.713851	74.0013	7.94851	1.76218	1.273430	183.660
1991	178.614	5.00211	7.47926	0.701012	73.0052	8.01701	1.77245	1.239160	166.493
1992	174.714	5.80703	7.53295	0.737650	74.6584	8.04177	1.81776	1.298100	164.223
1993	188.370	6.69628	9.12151	0.779988	79.2528	8.30954	1.73019	1.170999	130.147
1994	196.896	6.19077	9.16307	0.775902	83.1063	8.37420	1.62128	1.189518	121.322
<b>Monthly averages</b>									
94/05	199.416	6.30027	8.98922	0.774348	82.6247	8.36832	1.64574	1.164411	120.752
94/06	199.872	6.41130	9.23676	0.775969	83.0688	8.37308	1.62707	1.183479	121.444
94/07	197.036	6.34957	9.47414	0.790531	83.7259	8.38725	1.61858	1.221921	120.452
94/08	195.458	6.28497	9.46219	0.793224	83.8548	8.39388	1.61245	1.223171	122.169
94/09	195.323	6.13805	9.30546	0.790235	83.8817	8.40546	1.59592	1.235352	122.091
94/10	195.865	5.89503	9.15188	0.785086	84.5405	8.34456	1.59428	1.260906	124.138
94/11	195.432	5.87027	9.14306	0.782510	84.0136	8.36564	1.61059	1.243707	121.875
94/12	195.995	5.89217	9.13679	0.779893	83.7467	8.33451	1.61623	1.215838	121.760
95/01	196.125	5.87763	9.26782	0.788296	84.2156	8.31546	1.59827	1.240814	123.743
95/02	195.479	5.84173	9.29914	0.800817	83.7854	8.29931	1.59976	1.258693	123.637
95/03	194.969	5.77063	9.58022	0.823015	84.5575	8.26319	1.54349	1.317064	119.299
95/04	195.756	5.73180	9.85460	0.833905	84.5598	8.31644	1.52628	1.341432	112.500
95/05	195.945	5.70542	9.64488	0.832289	84.3606	8.31414	1.54276	1.321643	112.249
<b>Daily rates: 05-95</b>									
02/05	195.949	5.71014	9.75516	0.830015	84.5917	8.33702	1.52619	1.342300	111.908
03/05	195.848	5.71072	9.79240	0.833528	84.6187	8.33547	1.52483	1.344648	111.875
04/05	195.978	5.70823	9.76929	0.831910	84.7753	8.33886	1.52695	1.346281	112.886
05/05	195.320	5.70277	9.79292	0.843593	84.6726	8.33793	1.52599	1.347218	113.301
08/05	196.093	5.70014	9.71732	0.844690	84.7033	8.34035	1.52753	1.353953	112.825
09/05	196.049	5.69576	9.73156	0.848143	84.7544	8.34307	1.52760	1.350667	112.376
10/05	195.975	5.69052	9.62603	0.844690	84.5042	8.34959	1.53992	1.344323	112.049
11/05	196.130	5.69580	9.55354	0.839318	84.3010	8.34028	1.55076	1.320918	112.146
12/05	196.135	5.71169	9.53051	0.825546	84.3266	8.31723	1.56008	1.296933	112.120
15/05	196.317	5.71186	9.48260	0.827226	84.1025	8.31883	1.56548	1.296677	112.915
16/05	196.094	5.72429	9.50028	0.824597	84.0327	8.30847	1.56328	1.289835	112.254
17/05	195.684	5.69831	9.57820	0.828687	84.0838	8.29660	1.55690	1.299796	112.341
18/05	196.095	5.69462	9.58751	0.820133	83.8657	8.29052	1.55806	1.289250	112.268
19/05	195.643	5.68358	9.53998	0.822459	84.0430	8.29811	1.55266	1.294961	112.364
22/05	195.624	5.69298	9.49731	0.821846	83.9270	8.30323	1.55327	1.287422	112.585
23/05	195.683	5.69039	9.54970	0.822908	84.0102	8.28845	1.54939	1.293858	112.889
24/05	195.983	5.69061	9.55499	0.820078	84.0386	8.29435	1.55052	1.288342	112.382
26/05	195.574	5.70476	9.76783	0.836004	84.4492	8.28769	1.53538	1.343877	111.878
29/05	195.898	5.72135	9.74867	0.838416	84.5671	8.28718	1.53481	1.340208	111.371
30/05	196.159	5.72895	9.73693	0.838155	84.5810	8.29130	1.53245	1.339791	111.270
31/05	196.609	5.74636	9.72973	0.836126	84.6239	8.29247	1.53599	1.343236	111.220

TABLE VI

CENTRAL RATES AND INTERVENTION LIMIT RATES, IN FORCE SINCE 6TH MARCH 1995, FOR THE CURRENCIES OF COUNTRIES PARTICIPATING IN THE EMS EXCHANGE RATE MECHANISM.

 eurostat	1 ECU =		100 BLF =	100 DKR =	100 DM =	100 PTA =	100 FF =	1 IRL =	100 HFL =	100 ÖS =	100 ESC =
BLF	39.3960	+ -	627.880	2395.20	28.1525	714.030	57.7445	2125.60	340.420	23.3645	
		= -	540.723	2062.55	24.2447	614.977	49.7289	1830.54	293.163	20.1214	
		- -	465.665	1776.20	20.8795	529.660	42.8260	1576.45	252.470	17.3285	
DKR	7.28580	+ 21.4747	-	442.968	5.20640	132.066	10.6792	393.105	62.9561	4.32100	
		= 18.4938	-	381.443	4.48376	113.732	9.19676	338.537	54.2170	3.72119	
		- 15.9266	-	328.461	3.86140	97.9430	7.92014	291.544	46.6910	3.20460	
DM	1.91007	+ 5.63000	30.4450	-	1.36500	34.6250	2.80000	103.058 <sup>1</sup>	16.5050	1.13280	
		= 4.84837	26.2162	-	1.17548	29.8164	2.41105	88.7526	14.2136	0.975561	
		- 4.17500	22.5750	-	1.01230	25.6750	2.07600	76.4326 <sup>1</sup>	12.2410	0.840100	
PTA	162.493	+ 478.944	2589.80	9878.50	-	2945.40	238.175	8767.30	1404.10	96.3670	
		= 412.461	2230.27	8507.18	-	2536.54	205.113	7550.30	1209.18	82.9927	
		- 355.206	1920.70	7326.00	-	2184.40	176.641	6502.20	1041.30	71.4690	
FF	6.40608	+ 18.8800	102.100	389.480	4.57780	-	9.38950	345.650	55.3545	3.79920	
		= 16.2608	87.9257	335.386	3.94237	-	8.08631	297.661	47.6706	3.27188	
		- 14.0050	75.7200	288.810	3.39510	-	6.96400	256.350	41.0533	2.81770	
IRL	0.792214	+ 2.33503	12.6261	48.1696	0.566120	14.3599	-	42.7439	6.84544	0.469841	
		= 2.01090	10.8734	41.4757	0.487537	12.3666	-	36.8105	5.89521	0.404620	
		- 1.73176	9.36403	35.7143	0.419859	10.6500	-	31.7007	5.07688	0.348453	
HFL	2.15214	+ 6.34340	34.3002	130.834 <sup>1</sup>	1.53793	39.0091	3.15450	-	18.5963	1.27637	
		= 5.46286	29.5389	112.673	1.32445	33.5953	2.71662	-	16.0149	1.09920	
		- 4.70454	25.4385	97.0325 <sup>1</sup>	1.14060	28.9381	2.33952	-	13.7918	0.946611	
ÖS	13.4383	+ 39.6089	214.174	816.927	9.60338	243.586	19.6971	725.065	-	7.97000	
		= 34.1107	184.444	703.550	8.27008	209.773	16.9629	624.417	-	6.86356	
		- 29.3757	158.841	605.877	7.12200	180.654	14.6082	537.740	-	5.91086	
ESC	195.792	+ 577.090	3120.50	11903.3	139.920	3549.00	286.983	10564.0	1691.80	-	
		= 496.984	2687.31	10250.5	120.493	3056.35	247.145	9097.55	1456.97	-	
		- 428.000	2314.30	8827.70	103.770	2632.10	212.838	7834.70	1254.70	-	
DR	292.867 (notional)	1 These buying and selling rates will not be operational. Reflecting a bilateral agreement between the German and the Dutch monetary authorities, the following rates will continue to apply: selling rate Fl. 100 in Frankfurt: DM 90.7700; buying rate Fl. 100 in Frankfurt: DM 86.7800; selling rate DM 100 in Amsterdam: Fl. 115.235; buying rate DM 100 in Amsterdam: Fl. 110.1675.									
LIT	2106.15 (notional)										
UKL	0.786652 (notional)										

WEIGHTS OF COMPONENT CURRENCIES IN THE ECU,  
CALCULATED ON THE BASIS OF CENTRAL RATES IN FORCE  
SINCE 6/03/95



COMPOSITION OF THE ECU BASKET

Since 21/09/1989
0.6242 DM
1.332 FF
0.2198 HFL
3.301 BFR
0.13 LFR
151.8 LIT
0.1976 DKR
0.008552 IRL
0.08784 UKL
1.44 DRA
6.885 PTA
1.393 ESC
= 1 ecu

TABLE VII

**OPERATIONS RATES OF THE EMI (CALCULATION MONTH, APPLICABLE THE FOLLOWING MONTH) AND  
INTEREST RATES AND YIELDS OF ECU INVESTMENTS (%)**

	EMI *	Deposits (maturity in months)				Yield on ecu bonds (maturity in years)										
		1	3	6	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
1991	10.06	9.73	9.80	9.84	9.83											
1992	10.29	10.43	10.41	10.27	10.01											
1993	7.88	8.27	7.99	7.65	7.11	7.303	6.887	6.750	6.793	6.919	7.045	7.147	7.213	7.233	7.196	
1994	5.88	5.95	5.98	6.05	6.21	6.340	6.758	6.988	7.115	7.222	7.369	7.527	7.644	7.667	7.545	
1994	1	6.25	6.52	6.29	6.03	5.57	5.605	5.407	5.351	5.399	5.513	5.656	5.800	5.916	5.975	5.950
	2	6.25	6.43	6.27	6.10	5.76	5.773	5.693	5.659	5.682	5.771	5.926	6.103	6.248	6.308	6.228
	3	6.00	6.30	6.18	6.06	5.93	6.055	6.133	6.170	6.209	6.296	6.457	6.646	6.801	6.858	6.754
	4	6.00	6.12	6.05	5.97	5.91	6.047	6.277	6.401	6.482	6.584	6.749	6.937	7.089	7.143	7.039
	5	5.75	5.96	5.75	5.70	5.70	5.854	6.324	6.589	6.738	6.857	7.012	7.179	7.313	7.368	7.300
	6	5.75	5.83	5.84	5.87	6.08	6.189	6.814	7.167	7.356	7.492	7.657	7.825	7.942	7.955	7.811
	7	5.75	5.78	5.88	6.02	6.26	6.420	7.006	7.283	7.389	7.463	7.608	7.786	7.922	7.940	7.767
	8	5.75	5.72	5.86	6.09	6.46	6.645	7.254	7.562	7.696	7.779	7.908	8.055	8.165	8.180	8.046
	9	5.75	5.59	5.81	6.16	6.77	6.968	7.642	8.001	8.170	8.273	8.407	8.548	8.646	8.648	8.502
	10	5.75	5.56	5.89	6.12	6.74	6.904	7.593	7.975	8.168	8.288	8.428	8.566	8.652	8.640	8.480
	11	5.75	5.55	5.81	6.03	6.53	6.679	7.394	7.819	8.056	8.207	8.352	8.479	8.554	8.545	8.416
	12	5.75	5.98	6.16	6.40	6.86	6.941	7.555	7.882	8.037	8.138	8.269	8.404	8.483	8.449	8.244
1995	1	6.00	5.79	6.12	6.48	7.03	7.118	7.743	8.077	8.237	8.340	8.473	8.607	8.683	8.642	8.426
	2	6.00	5.82	6.00	6.34	6.86	6.926	7.540	7.884	8.059	8.165	8.280	8.387	8.443	8.409	8.241
	3	6.00	6.70	6.75	6.84	7.09	7.226	7.688	7.968	8.131	8.243	8.353	8.448	8.499	8.478	8.356
	4	6.50	6.16	6.27	6.37	6.63	6.843	7.240	7.538	7.758	7.921	8.045	8.132	8.182	8.194	8.168
	5	6.25	6.13	6.16	6.23	6.38	6.518	6.882	7.170	7.392	7.559	7.678	7.763	7.827	7.881	7.938

(\*) See explanatory notes

## DAILY RATES

		Deposits (maturity in months)				Yield on ecu bonds (maturity in years)									
		1	3	6	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1.05.95		6.19	6.25	6.36	6.56	6.769	7.152	7.446	7.665	7.826	7.944	8.027	8.087	8.130	8.167
2.05.95		6.25	6.31	6.44	6.63	6.790	7.178	7.472	7.691	7.854	7.975	8.063	8.125	8.165	8.190
3.05.95		6.25	6.31	6.38	6.63	6.741	7.117	7.411	7.634	7.800	7.921	8.007	8.065	8.105	8.135
4.05.95		6.19	6.25	6.31	6.50	6.707	7.080	7.371	7.594	7.760	7.880	7.966	8.027	8.075	8.121
5.05.95		6.19	6.25	6.31	6.50	6.671	7.045	7.335	7.556	7.720	7.841	7.928	7.992	8.041	8.085
9.05.95		6.19	6.25	6.31	6.50	6.586	6.945	7.233	7.456	7.623	7.742	7.826	7.889	7.946	8.011
10.05.95		6.19	6.25	6.31	6.50	6.444	6.823	7.122	7.352	7.523	7.648	7.738	7.808	7.870	7.938
11.05.95		6.19	6.25	6.31	6.50	6.416	6.795	7.098	7.332	7.508	7.635	7.725	7.790	7.842	7.893
12.05.95		6.19	6.25	6.31	6.50	6.504	6.846	7.127	7.349	7.518	7.640	7.725	7.790	7.846	7.910
15.05.95		6.06	6.13	6.13	6.31	6.500	6.858	7.144	7.366	7.536	7.661	7.752	7.813	7.854	7.880
16.05.95		6.06	6.06	6.13	6.25	6.463	6.817	7.104	7.329	7.497	7.615	7.696	7.757	7.812	7.876
17.05.95		6.06	6.06	6.13	6.25	6.449	6.796	7.077	7.298	7.465	7.585	7.670	7.734	7.790	7.850
18.05.95		6.06	6.06	6.13	6.25	6.458	6.798	7.075	7.294	7.459	7.577	7.662	7.728	7.790	7.864
19.05.95		6.06	6.06	6.13	6.25	6.468	6.819	7.101	7.319	7.482	7.598	7.683	7.750	7.815	7.893
22.05.95		6.06	6.06	6.13	6.25	6.443	6.808	7.096	7.317	7.480	7.597	7.682	7.748	7.812	7.886
23.05.95		6.06	6.06	6.13	6.25	6.437	6.805	7.096	7.318	7.480	7.592	7.671	7.736	7.807	7.902
24.05.95		6.06	6.06	6.13	6.25	6.411	6.779	7.068	7.288	7.451	7.569	7.652	7.713	7.765	7.819
25.05.95		6.13	6.13	6.19	6.31	6.420	6.765	7.046	7.268	7.437	7.557	7.642	7.703	7.753	7.806
26.05.95		6.13	6.13	6.19	6.31	6.393	6.766	7.059	7.283	7.449	7.568	7.652	7.715	7.770	7.831
30.05.95		6.13	6.13	6.19	6.31	6.426	6.780	7.062	7.281	7.444	7.561	7.645	7.711	7.772	7.845
31.05.95		6.13	6.13	6.13	6.25	6.387	6.742	7.028	7.250	7.417	7.536	7.621	7.684	7.741	7.805

TABLE VIII

## CENTRAL BANK INTEREST RATES

EVR eurostat	B				DK			D				GR			E		
	DR	AUCT	AR	CR	DR	REPO	CD	DR	LR	REPO	3D TB	DR	LR	OR	REPO	AR	
RATES AT THE END OF:																	
05.94	4.50	5.25	6.75	5.25	5.00	5.60	5.60	4.50	6.00	5.20	5.30	22.50	26.50	33.00°	7.50	7.55	05.94
06.94	4.50	5.00	6.45	4.95	5.00	5.60	5.60	4.50	6.00	4.96	5.30	22.50	26.50	33.00°	7.50	7.55	06.94
07.94	4.50	4.85	6.35	4.85	5.00	5.50	5.50	4.50	6.00	4.85	5.30	22.50	26.50	33.00	7.50	7.55	07.94
08.94	4.50	4.85	6.35	4.85	5.00	5.50	5.50	4.50	6.00	4.85	4.50	22.50	26.50	33.00	7.35	7.40	08.94
09.94	4.50	4.85	6.35	4.85	5.00	5.50	5.50	4.50	6.00	4.85	4.50	21.50	25.00	30.00	7.35	7.40	09.94
10.94	4.50	4.85	6.35	4.85	5.00	5.50	5.50	4.50	6.00	4.85	4.50	21.50	25.00	30.00	7.35	7.40	10.94
11.94	4.50	4.85	6.35	4.85	5.00	5.50	5.50	4.50	6.00	4.85	4.50	20.50	24.00	30.00	7.35	7.40	11.94
12.94	4.50	4.85	6.35	4.85	5.00	5.50	5.50	4.50	6.00	4.85	4.50	20.50	24.00	30.00	7.35	7.40	12.94
01.95	4.50	4.85	6.35	4.85	5.00	5.50	5.50	4.50	6.00	4.85	4.50	20.50	24.00	30.00	8.00	8.05	01.95
02.95	4.50	4.85	6.35	4.85	5.00	5.50	5.50	4.50	6.00	4.85	4.50	20.50	24.00	30.00	8.00	8.05	02.95
03.95	4.00	5.85	7.25	5.25	6.00	7.00	7.00	4.00	6.00	4.85	4.50	20.50	24.00	28.00	8.50	8.55	03.95
04.95	4.00	4.75	6.25	4.75	6.00	6.50	6.50	4.00	6.00	4.51	4.50	20.50	24.00	28.00	8.50	8.55	04.95
05.95	4.00	4.50	6.00	4.50	6.00	6.35	6.35	4.00	6.00	4.51	4.50	20.50	24.00	28.00	8.50	8.55	05.95
RECENT ACTUAL CHANGES																	
03.04.95			5.25														03.04.95
04.04.95																	04.04.95
05.04.95												4.50					05.04.95
06.04.95					6.75	5.00			6.75								06.04.95
07.04.95									6.75								07.04.95
10.04.95			5.00														10.04.95
11.04.95																	11.04.95
12.04.95			6.25	4.75													12.04.95
13.04.95																	13.04.95
14.04.95			4.75														14.04.95
17.04.95																	17.04.95
18.04.95																	18.04.95
19.04.95												4.51					19.04.95
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25.04.95																	25.04.95
26.04.95																	26.04.95
27.04.95						6.50											27.04.95
28.04.95							6.50										28.04.95
02.05.95																	02.05.95
03.05.95																	03.05.95
04.05.95																	04.05.95
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\* This rate of 33% was also subject to a surcharge of 0.4% daily from the 16/05/94 - 30/05/94, which was reduced to 0.3% daily on 31/05/94 and to 0.1% daily on 21/6/94.

TABLE VIII

## CENTRAL BANK INTEREST RATES

E/1 eurostat	F		IRL		I			NL		A			P					
	AUCT	REPO	STF	DR	LR	REPO	SPR	AR	DR	LR	REPO	PR R	SFR	DR R	DRO	PRO		
RATES AT THE END OF:																		
05.94	5.40	6.40	6.25	7.00	8.00	7.60	5.10	4.50	4.50	5.50	5.00	susp	susp	susp	9.125	10.805	05.94	
06.94	5.20	6.40	6.25	7.00	8.00	8.00	4.90	4.50	4.50	5.50	4.90	susp	susp	susp	12.500	12.236	06.94	
07.94	5.00	6.40	6.25	7.00	8.00	7.95	4.80	4.50	4.50	5.50	4.70	susp	13.00	10.50	11.000	10.791	07.94	
08.94	5.00	6.40	6.25	7.50	8.50	8.00	4.80	4.50	4.50	5.50	4.70	susp	12.00	9.25	9.750	9.924	08.94	
09.94	5.00	6.40	6.25	7.50	8.50	8.20	4.80	4.50	4.50	5.50	4.70	susp	11.50	8.75	8.750	9.250	09.94	
10.94	5.00	6.40	6.25	7.50	8.50	8.30	4.80	4.50	4.50	5.50	4.70	susp	11.50	8.50	8.750	9.000	10.94	
11.94	5.00	6.40	6.25	7.50	8.50	8.25	4.80	4.50	4.50	5.50	4.70	susp	11.50	8.50	8.500	8.875	11.94	
12.94	5.00	6.40	6.25	7.50	8.50	8.35	4.80	4.50	4.50	5.50	4.70	susp	11.50	8.50	8.500	8.875	12.94	
01.95	5.00	6.40	6.25	7.50	8.50	8.45	4.80	4.50	4.50	5.50	4.70	susp	11.50	8.50	8.500	8.875	01.95	
02.95	5.00	6.40	6.25	8.25	10.00	8.85	4.80	4.50	4.50	5.50	4.70	susp	11.50	8.50	8.500	8.875	02.95	
03.95	5.00	susp	7.25	8.25	10.00	10.35	4.50	4.00	4.00	5.25	4.45	susp	11.50	8.50	8.500	9.851	03.95	
04.95	5.00	susp	7.25	8.25	10.00	10.49	4.40	4.00	4.00	5.25	4.45	susp	11.50	8.50	8.500	9.003	04.95	
05.95	5.00	susp	7.25	9.00	10.50	10.40	4.20	4.00	4.00	5.25	4.45	susp	11.50	8.50	8.500	8.875	05.95	
RECENT ACTUAL CHANGES																		
03.04.95							10.44										03.04.95	
04.04.95							10.54										04.04.95	
05.04.95							10.33									9.001	05.04.95	
06.04.95																9.009	06.04.95	
07.04.95							10.34									9.000	07.04.95	
10.04.95																	10.04.95	
11.04.95																	11.04.95	
12.04.95							10.46										12.04.95	
13.04.95								4.40								9.066	13.04.95	
14.04.95																	14.04.95	
17.04.95																9.052	17.04.95	
18.04.95																9.000	18.04.95	
19.04.95																	19.04.95	
20.04.95																9.010	20.04.95	
21.04.95																9.000	21.04.95	
24.04.95																	24.04.95	
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26.04.95							10.56										26.04.95	
27.04.95							10.49									9.003	27.04.95	
28.04.95																	28.04.95	
02.05.95																	02.05.95	
03.05.95																	03.05.95	
04.05.95																	04.05.95	
05.05.95							10.31									9.063	05.05.95	
08.05.95																9.050	08.05.95	
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10.05.95								4.30								9.032	10.05.95	
11.05.95																9.053	11.05.95	
12.05.95																	12.05.95	
15.05.95																9.063	15.05.95	
16.05.95																9.031	16.05.95	
17.05.95																9.000	17.05.95	
18.05.95																	18.05.95	
19.05.95																	19.05.95	
22.05.95																	22.05.95	
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24.05.95																	24.05.95	
25.05.95							10.35										25.05.95	
26.05.95							10.40										26.05.95	
29.05.95				9.00		10.50										8.888	29.05.95	
30.05.95																8.875	30.05.95	
31.05.95							4.20										31.05.95	

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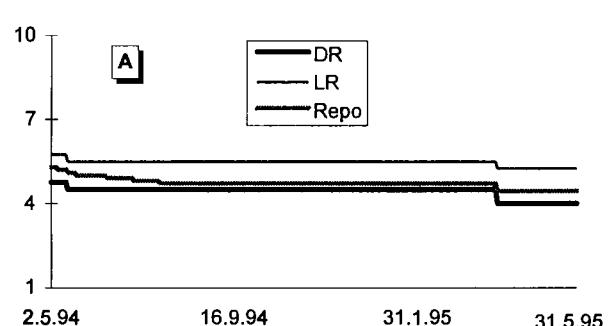
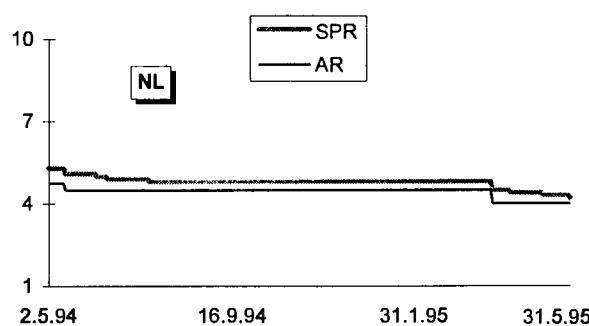
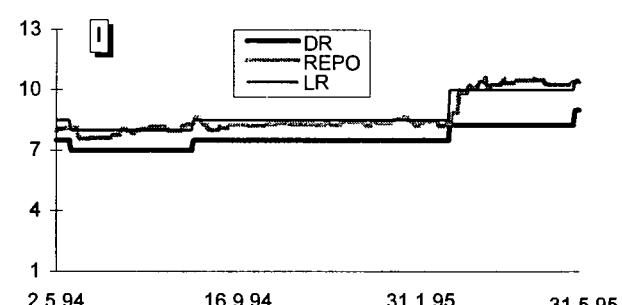
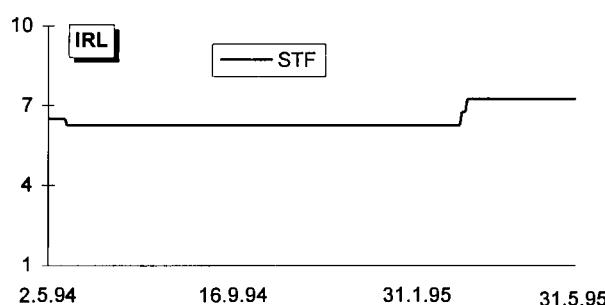
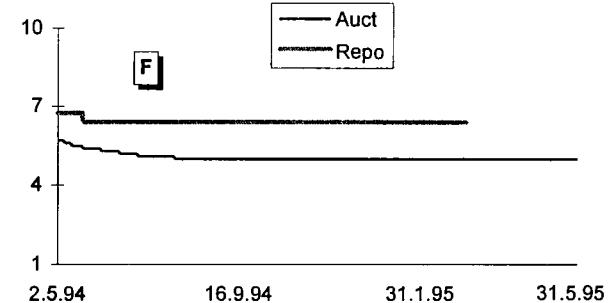
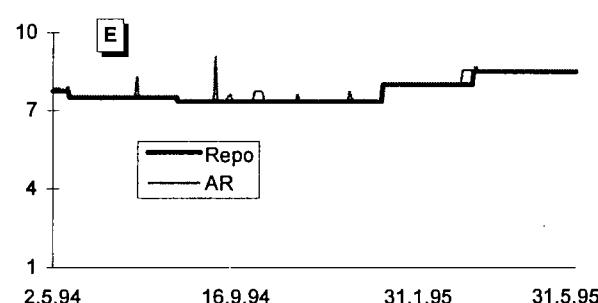
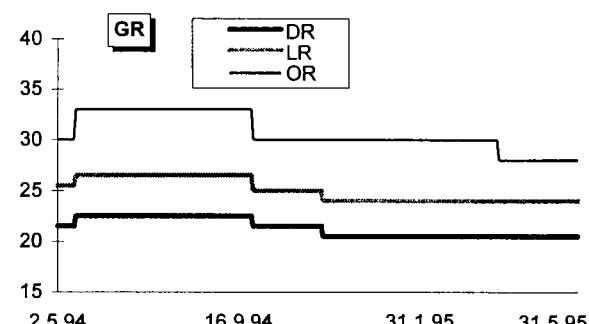
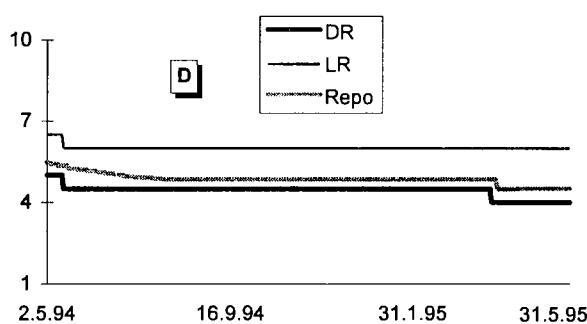
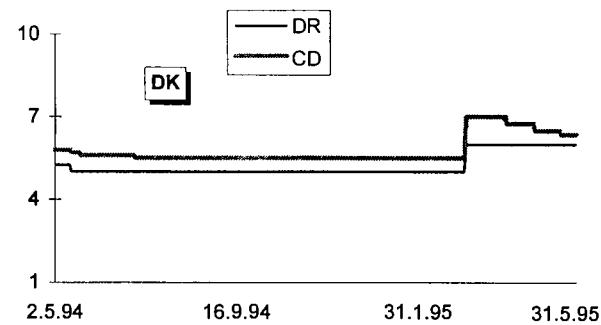
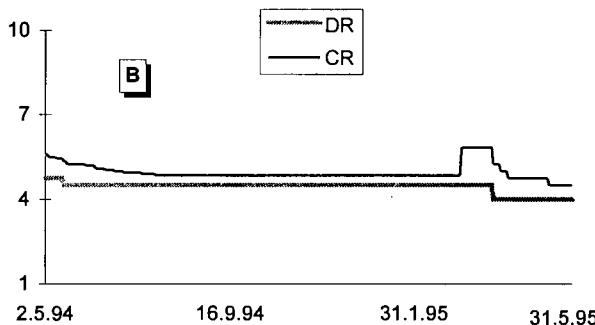
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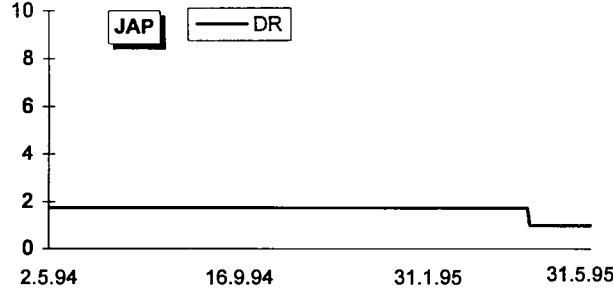
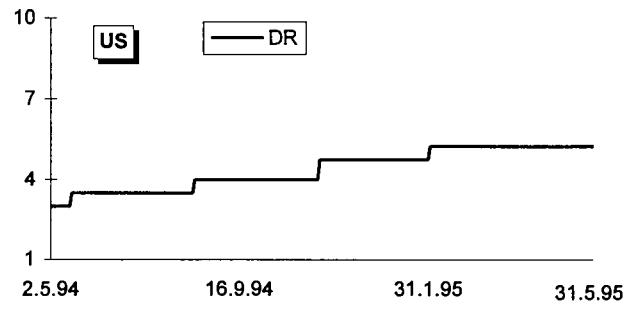
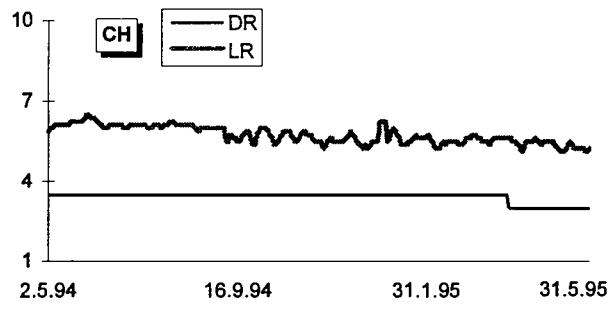
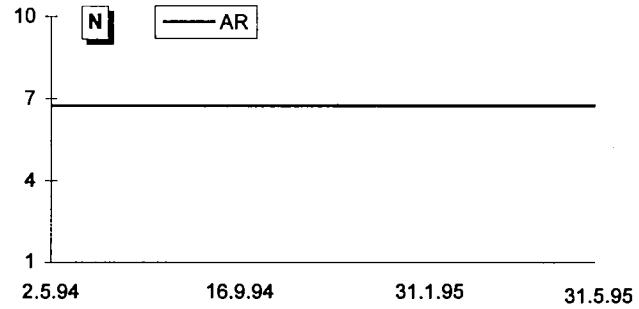
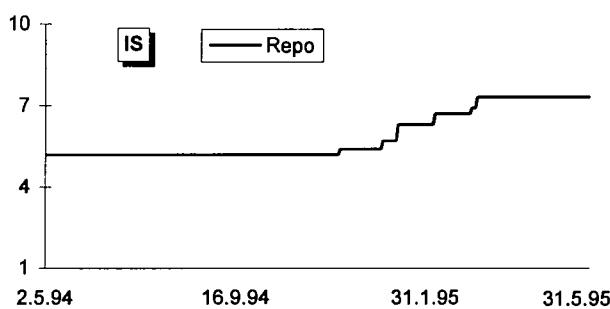
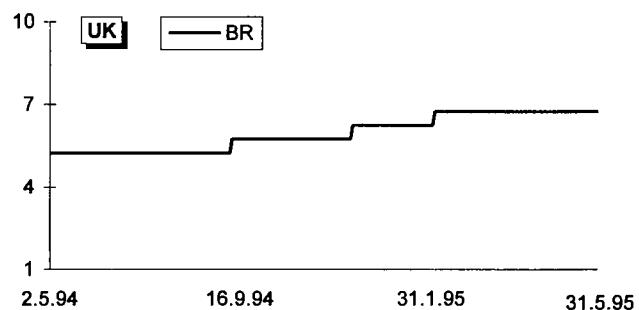
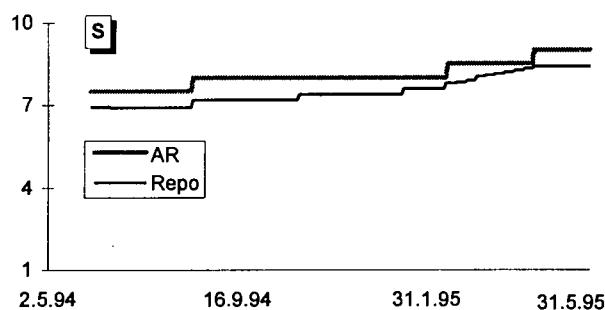
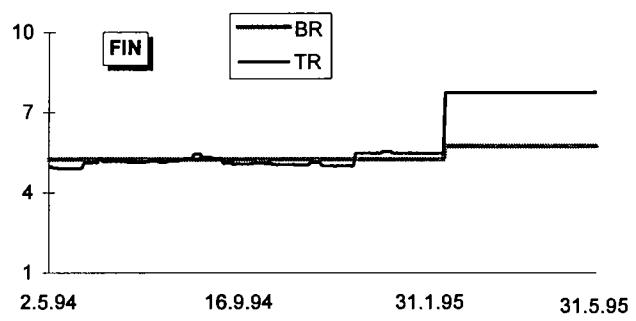
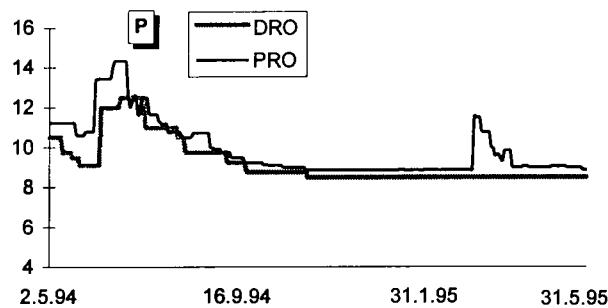
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	BR	TR	AR	DR	AR	REPO	IBR	BR	DR	REPO	CD	AR	DR	LR	DR	DR	
RATES AT THE END OF:																	
05.94	5.25	5.13	7.13	4.50				8.65	5.25	5.20	4.00	6.75	3.50	6.500	3.50	1.75	05.94
06.94	5.25	5.15	7.15	4.50	7.50	6.92	9.70	5.25	4.40	5.20	4.00	6.75	3.50	6.125	3.50	1.75	06.94
07.94	5.25	5.20	7.20	5.50	7.50	6.92	10.40	5.25	4.40	5.20	4.00	6.75	3.50	6.250	3.50	1.75	07.94
08.94	5.25	5.31	7.31	5.50	8.00	7.20	11.15	5.25	4.40	5.20	4.00	6.75	3.50	6.000	4.00	1.75	08.94
09.94	5.25	5.12	7.12	5.50	8.00	7.20	11.14	5.75	4.40	5.20	4.00	6.75	3.50	5.750	4.00	1.75	09.94
10.94	5.25	5.05	7.05	7.00	8.00	7.20	10.93	5.75	4.40	5.20	4.00	6.75	3.50	5.500	4.00	1.75	10.94
11.94	5.25	5.02	7.02	7.00	8.00	7.40	10.45	5.75	4.40	5.20	4.00	6.75	3.50	5.500	4.75	1.75	11.94
12.94	5.25	5.55	7.55	7.00	8.00	7.60	10.50	6.25	4.70	5.40	4.60	6.75	3.50	6.250	4.75	1.75	12.94
01.95	5.25	5.50	7.50	7.00	8.00	7.60	10.55	6.25	5.50	6.30	4.90	6.75	3.50	5.630	4.75	1.75	01.95
02.95	5.25	5.75	7.75	7.00	8.50	7.83	10.30	6.75	5.50	6.70	4.90	6.75	3.50	5.500	5.25	1.75	02.95
03.95	5.25	5.75	7.75	7.00	8.50	8.20	10.75	6.75	6.40	7.30	4.90	6.75	3.00	5.625	5.25	1.75	03.95
04.95	5.25	5.75	7.75	7.00	9.00	8.41	10.85	6.75	6.40	7.30	4.90	6.75	3.00	5.500	5.25	1.00	04.95
05.95	5.25	5.75	7.75	7.00	9.00	8.41	10.85	6.75	6.40	7.30	4.90	6.75	3.00	5.250	5.25	1.00	05.95
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Please see explanatory notes at the end of the publication for the key to the various rates. Data series with the same abbreviation are not necessarily internationally comparable.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### Ecu bond issues (Tables I & II)

In table I, issues are recorded as at the payment date. This bulletin covers ecu issues in the Eurobond market, which includes international and foreign issues and domestic issues which can be assimilated with Eurobond issues. More specifically, the domestic issues should be free of withholding tax in the hands of non-residents and subject to similar clearing and settlement procedures. This includes ecu issues offering the option of conversion into other currencies. Main source: International Financing Review.

Table I shows, under the headings:

- Business sector and Governments: national issuers, both private and public.
- Institutions: the European Investment Bank and the Commission of the European Communities (EEC, ECSC, Euratom).
- Organizations: the specialist institutions of the United Nations, the World Bank, the Council of Europe, etc.... .

Table II shows detailed information on the latest known issues, irrespective of the payment date.

### Consumer price indices in national currency (Table III)

The consumer price indices in the national currency of each country measure changes in the purchasing power of one unit of national currency spent in the country concerned.

Two composite indices are calculated, covering all the Member States of the Community (EUR 15) and the nine Member States with currencies participating in the European Monetary System exchange rate mechanism (ERM). (Although the peseta has been participating in the exchange rate mechanism since 19/06/89 and has been included in the calculation of the ecu since 21/09/89, it is only taken into account in the indices relating to the ERM which are included in this bulletin for data after 30/09/89.)

These indices are calculated as weighted arithmetic means (chain indices) of the national indices, the weighting for each Member State being its relative share in the final consumption of households of the group of countries in question (EUR 15, ERM), expressed in purchasing power standards, at current prices and purchasing power parities.

### Consumer price indices in ecus (Table IV)

For each country the index of consumer prices in ecus is calculated by dividing the national consumer price index by the average movement of the national currency in relation to the ecu during the month. It measures the change in the purchasing power of one ecu in the country concerned.

Three composite indices are calculated, covering all the Member States of the Community (EUR 15 and ECU) and the 9 Member States participating in the European Monetary System exchange rate mechanism (ERM). (Although the peseta has been participating in the exchange rate mechanism since 19/06/89 and has been included in the calculation of the ecu since 21/09/89, it is only taken into account in the indices relating to the ERM which are included in this bulletin for data after 30/09/89.)

These three indices are calculated as weighted arithmetic means (chain-indices). The weightings are defined as follows: for the EUR 15 and ERM indices, the relative share of each Member State in the final consumption of households for the group of countries in question (EUR 15 or ERM), expressed in ecus at current prices and exchange rates (annual weighting). For the ECU index, the relative share of each Member State's currency in the calculation of the ecu (monthly weighting).

### Ecu exchange rates (Table V)

The exchange rates for the ecu against the national currencies of the Member States of the Community, the USD and yen are shown as annual averages, monthly averages (for the current year), and daily rates (for the latest available month).

### Bilateral currency deviation and divergence indicator (graphs on page 4)

The various curves should be compared in pairs. To find the differential between two currencies, subtract the (positive or negative) values along the y-axis corresponding to each currency.

The graph is drawn with the curve of the strongest currency above that of the weakest. It shows therefore the relative position of each currency vis-à-vis the other currencies.

When two curves intersect or merge over a period of time there is no differential between the two currencies and their market exchange rate equals their bilateral central rate.

This graph is divided symmetrically by a horizontal axis along which the points would be plotted if all currencies were at their bilateral central rate and there were therefore no fluctuations.

The daily market exchange rates of all currencies are compared with the relevant bilateral central rates and the differentials between the two calculated.

The maximum fluctuation between two currencies is shown within the band, symmetrical with the horizontal axis. The fluctuations of the other currencies in relation to either of the two currencies in question are shown within the maximum permissible fluctuation.

The curves are drawn by linking the daily points showing the relative positions of each currency.

The divergence indicator (DI) measures the degree of movement of a specific EMS currency against its maximum divergence spread. In effect, the DI is a mechanism which detects the EMS currencies that deviate upwards or downwards from the Community average as represented by the ecu.

For a given currency the DI is obtained:

- (i) first by calculating the appreciation or depreciation of the market rate of the ecu in terms of that currency against its ecu-related central rate;
- (ii) and then by comparing the result obtained with the maximum divergence spread (MDS), which is the intervention limit, corrected by the weight of each currency in the basket in such a way that an increase in the weight of a currency reduces its maximum divergence spread.

In order to permit a comparison of movements in the divergence indicators for each of the EMS currencies, the MDS is expressed as an index number ranging between +/- 100. At an absolute index number of 75, a currency reaches its divergence threshold. When a currency crosses its "threshold of divergence", this results in a presumption that the authorities concerned will correct this situation by taking adequate measures.

### **Exchange rate grid (Table VI)**

The intervention limit rates fixed in the official grid do not always correspond exactly to + or - 15 % of the central rates, since for each currency pair (whose exchange rates are inversely proportional to one another) the lower limit of one corresponds to the upper limit of the other.

### **Interest rates and yields on ecu investments (Table VII)**

The interest rates for 1, 3, 6 months and 1 year deposits are calculated on the basis of the London market rates LIBID as follows:

- until October 1993: source: Financial Times, Friday rate.
- from November 1993: source : Bank of England, British Banker's Association, daily rates.

The yields of ecu bonds at 1 - 10 years are those provided by Eurostat's yield curve. These are redemption yields. Eurostat's yield curve, which portrays the interest rate structure of maturities ranging from 1 to 10 years, is based on highest quality issues with a triple-A rating of at least ecu 500 million outstanding, with a very high liquidity (bid-offer spread less than 50 basis points). The curve is calculated daily by fitting a third order polynomial function by regression to the price/yield values of bonds provided by ISMA (International Securities Market Association, London).

These values reflect the mean of bid and offer prices communicated by a comprehensive range of financial institutions. The monthly figures included in the table are the arithmetic average of daily figures and the yearly figures are the arithmetic average of daily figures.

### **Operations rates of the EMI (Table VII)**

The interest rate for transactions of the EMI (European Monetary Institute) in ecus is the weighted average of the most representative rates on the domestic money market of the countries whose currencies make up the ecu basket. It is based on the weighting of the currencies in the ecu basket as derived from the ecu central rates in force. The rate thus calculated for a given month applies to EMI transactions for the following month. In table VII, this rate relates to the month upon which the calculations are based and not to the (following) month during which it is used by the EMI.

### **Central Bank Interest Rates in the EEA countries, in the US, Japan and Switzerland (Table VIII)**

#### **BELGIUM**

##### **Official intervention rates:**

**Discount rate (DR):** rate at which credit institutions can discount commercial paper at the BNB within the ceilings fixed individually according to balance sheet items.

**1-week credit granted by tender (AUCT):** rate at which the BNB grants cash by tender to credit institutions. The duration of these loans is generally 1 week but can be longer under particular circumstances.

**Advances to meet daily deficits (AR):** rate at which credit institutions receive money from the BNB within quotas which vary between credit institutions according to balance sheet items and to turnover in the secondary market for government debt-securities.

**Central Bank rate (CR):** rate at which Primary dealers<sup>1</sup> receive overnight money, up to a fixed maximum which is the same for each Primary dealer, from the BNB. This rate will be the next rate applied to the 1-week credit granted by tender.

#### **DENMARK**

##### **Intervention rates:**

**Discount rate (DR):** indicative rate which is not attached to any facility with the Danmarks Nationalbank. Within quotas based on the size of the individual bank, deposits on banks' current account with the Danmarks Nationalbank are remunerated by the folio rate. This rate has been equal to the discount rate since the introduction of the present liquidity instruments in April 1992.

**Certificates of deposit (CD):** rate on 14-day certificates of deposit issued on the last banking day of each week by the Nationalbank.

<sup>1</sup> Primary dealers are market makers for government linear bonds (OLB) and Treasury certificates.

**Repurchase agreements (REPO):** rate at which the banks have access to enter into 14-day repurchase agreements in government paper with the Nationalbank. These transactions take place on the penultimate banking day of each week, affecting bank liquidity the following day. The interest rate on repos has equalled the rate on CDs since April 1992.

## GERMANY

### Intervention rates:

**Discount rate (DR):** rate at which the Bundesbank discounts eligible trade bills within the limits of the rediscount quotas.

**Lombard rate (LR):** rate at which the Bundesbank grants loans to banks against certain securities. These loans have a maturity of up to 90 days and are granted against collateral of government and public sector securities.

**Rate on repurchase agreements (REPO):** rate applied to the Bundesbank's repurchase facility. The Bundesbank buys bonds eligible as collateral for Lombard loans and short-term Treasury discount paper from those banks subject to minimum reserve requirements. These transactions are usually offered by fixed-rate tender or by variable-rate tender for a period of 14, 28 or 35 days.

### Other rate:

**3-day Treasury bills (3D TB):** rate on bills that can be bought or sold by a specific list of banks. This establishes a floor for the cost of short-term money in addition to the fixed amount provided by the discount window.

## GREECE

### Intervention rates:

**Rediscount rate (DR):** rate at which the Bank of Greece rediscounts commercial bills. This facility is subject to overall quotas which are allocated among credit institutions according to criteria relating to the size of certain balance sheet items.

**Lombard rate (LR):** rate at which the Bank of Greece grants liquidity to banks against collateral of government paper. As for the discount window, this facility is subject to overall quotas which are allocated among credit institutions according to criteria relating to the size of certain balance sheet items.

**Rate on overdrafts on banks' current accounts with the Bank of Greece (OR):** rate at which credit institutions can cover unexpected liquidity shortages by overdrawing their current accounts with the Bank of Greece.

## SPAIN

### Intervention rates:

**Short-term credit to banks (REPO):** marginal auction rate of 10-day repo purchases of Banco de España certificates. The Bank of Spain purchases the certificates (with a resale agreement at the maturity of the operation) from banks and savings banks according to the requirements accepted in the auction.

**Rate on overnight loans granted by the Banco de España (AR):** this rate is considered as being an unofficial intervention rate, but is often used by the Banco de España as an instrument of its monetary policy. It is the rate at which the Banco de España intervenes in the money market. Market makers are asked to make bids in terms of amounts and rates, and the Bank of Spain decides at which point operations should be closed.

The rate published here is the average weighted rate resulting from the intervention

## FRANCE

### Intervention rates:

**Auction (AUCT):** twice a week, the Central Bank invites tenders (against collateral) in order to assess credit institutions' demand for Central Bank money. After a centralisation of the requests, the Central Bank will only allocate a proportion of them. The rate is, in practise, known in advance and is intended as a floor for money market rates.

**Sales with repurchase agreements (REPO):** rate at which banks get liquidity from the Central Bank against Treasury bills or commercial paper. This emergency facility carries a penalty rate that is designed as a ceiling for market rates.

## IRELAND

### Intervention rate:

**Short-term facility rate (STF):** rate at which the Central Bank grants short-term credits to banks for a period of between 1 day and 1 week.

## ITALY

### Intervention rates:

**Discount rate (DR):** rate at which the Banca d'Italia discounts commercial bills.

**Fixed-maturity advances rate (LR):** rate charged by the Banca d'Italia for advances with a maximum maturity of 22 days against eligible securities for special short-term needs.

### Other rate:

**Repurchase agreements (REPO):** the Bank of Italy intervenes when it perceives the need to add or drain liquidity, in view of its targets in terms of money rates and sales of government securities. The repo allocation is based on variable rates. Foreign currency repos are also conducted, in addition to the securities repos.

## NETHERLANDS

### Intervention rates:

**Discount rate (DR):** rate at which the Central Bank discounts Treasury paper and approved bills of exchange with a remaining maturity not exceeding 3 months. From 1 January 1994, the Central Bank no longer accepts paper for discounting and thus this rate no longer exists. Data until 12/93 are available on request from Eurostat.

**Rate on special advances (SPR):** rate charged by the Central Bank to financial institutions for short-term advances.

**Official advance rate (AR):** rate at which advances on current account against collateral are mainly granted, within a certain limit, to registered credit institutions and a number of public and semi-public financial institutions. This rate establishes a floor for money market rates.

**Rate on discount of promissory notes (PRNT):** rate serving as a benchmark for commercial rates. From 1 January 1994, the discount rate on promissory notes is maintained as an interest rate, given its use as a reference rate for legal purposes, but it will no longer be published. It is equal to the prevailing rate on advances plus 0.5 percentage points. Data until 12/93 are available on request from Eurostat.

## AUSTRIA

### Intervention rates

**Discount rate (DR):** rate at which the Central Bank rediscounts bills of exchange. To qualify for discounting, the paper presented must fulfil certain eligibility requirements. Refinancing ceilings for individual banks are determined on the basis of specified balance sheet items.

**Lombard rate (LR):** rate at which the Central Bank grants loans to banks against collateral. Since this rate is a penalty rate, it is higher than both the discount and the Gomex rate.

**Gomex rate (REPO):** rate applied to the Central Bank open market operations. Within each bank's refinancing quota, the Central Bank conducts open market transactions in fixed income securities issued by residents or supranational organisations, denominated in Austrian shillings and listed on the Vienna stock exchange or in cash certificates issued by the central bank.

## PORUGAL

### Intervention rates:

**Regular rate for liquidity provision (PR R):** rate at which the Banco de Portugal supplies liquidity to the money market. The regular operations take place on the first working day of each regular maintenance period (1 week) and mature in the first working day of the subsequent period. When the regular rate for liquidity provision is suspended, the Banco de Portugal can also conduct operations at a variable rate, which take place on the first working day of the regular maintenance period. These data are not given here but are available from Eurostat.

**Standing facility rate (SFR):** the standing facility refers to liquidity provision operations which mature on the next working day following the day on which transaction takes place, and which take place at the pre-announced rate. The institutions' access to this facility is limited by way of a quota, established on the beginning of each month as a percentage of the total amount of the facility (currently 100 billions of escudos).

**Regular liquidity draining rate (DR R):** rate at which the Banco de Portugal withdraws liquidity from the money market by selling Treasury bills with repurchase agreement or Central Banks monetary certificates. The regular operations take place on the first working day of each regular maintenance period (1 week) and mature in the first working day of the subsequent period.

### Other rates:

**Occasional operations of liquidity draining (DR O):** the Banco de Portugal also conducts occasional operations of liquidity draining with a view to stabilising the money market.

**Occasional operations of liquidity provision (PR O):** the Banco de Portugal also conducts occasional operations of liquidity provision with a view to stabilising the money market.

## FINLAND

**Base rate (BR):** the base rate is an administered interest rate set by the Parliamentary Supervisory Board. Its importance has diminished along with the developments of markets in Finland. Nonetheless, it is still of importance since a fairly large proportion of deposits and outstanding loans are tied to it, and these rates are adjusted whenever there is a change in the base rate.

**Tender rate (TR):** rate determined by tenders held by the Central Bank in which banks are asked to make bids or offers for money market instruments with a maturity of 1 month. The tender rate is a weighted average of accepted bids or offers.

### Other rates:

**Liquidity credit rate (AR):** rate charged to banks by the Bank of Finland for loans with a maturity of 1 day, 7 days, 14 days, 21 days and 28 days. The rate is the sum of the tender rate and the interest rate margin for credit liquidity. The liquidity credit has replaced the overnight facility.

## SWEDEN

### Intervention rates:

**Lending rate (AR):** rate at which the Riksbank supplies cash to banks. Each bank has a borrowing facility equivalent to 4% of its capital base; terms for any borrowing in excess of this amount are determined at the discretion of the Riksbank.

### Other rates:

**Repo rate (Repo):** rate applied to the Riksbank's operations on repurchase agreement. These transactions are usually offered on Tuesdays for a period of 14 days. The repo rate fluctuates in a band between the lending and the deposit rates.

**Discount rate (DR):** from the second quarter of 1992, the discount rate should be regarded solely as a reference rate. It is determined at the beginning of each quarter solely on the basis of interest rates in the preceding quarter. It is

computed as a weighted average of the daily market rates for 6-month Treasury discount notes and 5-year government bonds in the preceding quarter less two and a half percentage points, rounded to the nearest whole or half point.

**Rate for industrial bonds (IBR):** this is an administratively determined interest rate. It is the rate at which industrial bonds with an interest period of 2.5 years are adjusted.

The structure of Swedish central bank rates was changed from 1.6.94. Data on the marginal rate for the period 9.92 to 5.94 are available from Eurostat.

#### UNITED KINGDOM

Until 1981, the Bank of England used an official continuously posted rate to signal its interest rate intentions. This was called the Minimum Lending Rate and was the rate at which the Bank of England lent to the discount houses. Since then its intentions have been signalled on most days by the rate at which it purchases bills in bands 1 and 2 (ie up to one month in maturity); otherwise it has tended to announce interest rate changes by posting a Minimum Lending Rate, applying now for one day only.

These operations are used by the Bank of England to signal changes in the key rate in the UK financial market, the commercial banks' base rate (BR). This is a good indicator of the broad level of short-term interest rates.

#### ICELAND

**Discount rate (DR):** Rate on loans within quota. Banks are able to obtain short-term credits within this quota.

**Repurchase agreements (Repo) rates:** rates on 10 (30) day repos, when the Central Bank purchases Treasury bills (other Government or Government guaranteed securities) with a repurchase condition.

**Certificates of deposit (CD) rate:** a fixed rate on 45 day CDs issued by the Central Bank

#### NORWAY

##### Intervention rate:

**Overnight lending rate (AR):** rate at which commercial and saving banks can borrow from the Norges Bank on a day to day basis. The ceiling on loans available for each half-month is set in percent of the banks' capital base, excluding subordinated loan capital.

#### SWITZERLAND

**Discount rate (DR):** rate at which the Central Bank discounts bills of exchange, cheques, Treasury bills issued by the Confederation and bills issued by the Cantons and Communes. The maturity of discounted paper may not exceed 6 months. For each institution, the Central Bank sets a discounting limit which it reviews periodically and adjusts when necessary.

**Lombard rate (LR):** rate at which the Central Bank grants loans to banks against collateral. This rate is a penalty rate against banks which have underestimated their liquidity needs. It is calculated on the basis of the market rates of the two previous days plus 2 points.

#### UNITED STATES

**Discount rate (DR):** rate at which the Federal Reserve Banks discount eligible paper for, and make advances to, depository institutions.

#### JAPAN

**Discount rate (DR):** rate at which the Bank of Japan discounts commercial bills.



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## Recent evolution of ECU yields

 eurostat	3 years	5 years	7 years	10 years	10-2 year spread
<b>21-Apr-95</b>	7.48 %	7.86%	8.09%	8.15%	94 bp
<b>28-Apr-95</b>	7.44 % (-4 bp)	7.82% (-4 bp)	8.03% (-6 bp)	8.15% (0 bp)	100 bp
<b>5-May-95</b>	7.33 % (-11 bp)	7.72% (-10 bp)	7.93% (-10 bp)	8.08% (-7 bp)	104 bp
<b>12-May-95</b>	7.12 % (-21 bp)	7.52% (-20 bp)	7.72% (-21 bp)	7.91% (-17 bp)	106 bp
<b>19-May-95</b>	7.10 % (-2 bp)	7.48% (-4 bp)	7.68% (-4 bp)	7.89% (-2 bp)	107 bp
<b>26-May-95</b>	7.06 % (-4 bp)	7.45% (-3 bp)	7.65% (-3 bp)	7.83% (-6 bp)	106 bp
<b>2-Jun-95</b>	6.92 % (-14 bp)	7.32% (-13 bp)	7.52% (13 bp)	7.72% (-11 bp)	108 bp
<b>variation over total period</b>	-56 bp	-54 bp	-57 bp	-43 bp	+14 bp

Source: Eurostat ECU yield curve

## Central bank interest rates

- On 15.05.95 the Central Bank of Belgium reduced its central rate by 0.25% to 4.5%.
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