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## Welcome

Welcome in this first edition of the ECMS project newsletter. During the test phase of the ECMS project, we will periodically publish newsletters. The aim is to keep the Dutch market participants up to date on developments in the project, progress made by the Dutch market during the test phase, important milestones, planned activities requiring action on the part of the participants, etc.

Enjoy reading,  
The DNB ECMS project team

## Dedicated ECMS project web page live

A dedicated web page for the ECMS project was developed and is now available on DNB's website. Please follow this [link](#) to the dedicated web page. There, market participants can find general information on the ECMS project, links to the most important documents on the ECB website, the project planning until go-live on 8 April 2024 and an overview of planned training sessions.



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# Upcoming events: Connectivity testing

During the first training session (on Reference data and connectivity) on 23 March 2023 participants were informed of the upcoming connectivity tests for the NL community in Pre-prod. These tests are scheduled to start on 17 April 2023. Based on the registration forms provided by the NL participants, DNB has been setting-up counterparties in the test environment. As of 17 April, counterparties will be able to start connectivity testing, based on a schedule provided by DNB. DNB will inform you when you should connect.

# Upcoming events: Training session II

The next training session will be on 'Access management and migration activities' and is planned for 4 May 2023.

# Contact details DNB project team

Market participants can reach the ECMS project team at two different email addresses:

- [ECMS@dnb.nl](mailto:ECMS@dnb.nl) for general questions on the ECMS project.
- [ECMS-testsupport@dnb.nl](mailto:ECMS-testsupport@dnb.nl) for support and issues during and in relation to testing.

# Upcoming events: Readiness reporting

As ECMS will be implemented following a big-bang approach (i.e. simultaneous discontinuation of the current local systems with the go-live of ECMS), close monitoring and cooperation by NCBs and their communities is a key success factor. De Nederlandsche Bank has a monitoring role for the timely readiness of the Dutch community and therefore we

need to provide information to the Eurosystem on the progress of the project on a regular basis. The monitoring is based on a reporting approach with a set of questions defined per milestones.

The 10th cycle of the Readiness reporting is planned for end May, with the following milestones and their respective cut-off dates.

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