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Preparing for the National Numbering Agency enhancements launch for France and the Netherlands

Target audience

- Issuers
- Dealers
- Issuer Agents
- Network managers
- Test coordinators
- Product managers
- Back office teams

Effective dates

Testing:

21 July 2020

Production:

21 September 2020

Highlights

On Monday, 21 September 2020, the French and Dutch National Numbering Agencies (NNAs) will launch a new common service for ISIN allocation in France, the Netherlands and Monaco (ISINs commencing by: NL, FR and MC) and for the classification of financial instruments (CFI).

The ISIN and CFI allocation (i.e. securities codification) is a mandatory step prior to the securities admission and issuance. These mandatory steps apply to:

- codification of French money market instruments via Straight-Through Processing (STP) or EuroclearConnect for Screens and eNFUCP screens
- codification of warrants, notes and certificates via Plug & Clear
- codification or update requests of all other instruments via email to NNA Operations with a new version of the existing application form

Actions

Issuers, their issuer agents or dealers involved in the creation of NL, FR or MC ISINs must test the following features, as applicable to their activity:

- · codification of French money market instruments via STP or EuroclearConnect for Screens and eNEUCP screens
- codification of warrants, notes and certificates via Plug & Clear
- codification or update requests of all other instruments via email to NNA Operations with a new version of the application form

Background

In our Newsletter 2020-NL-002 published on 21 January 2020 (and updated on 27 March 2020), you can find all the information you need about these NNA enhancements.

In this present Newsletter below we have detailed the testing that we strongly recommend you perform before the launch into production of the NNA service enhancements.



What changes do you need to test?

The main purpose of testing is for issuers and issuer agents, to comply with the **CFI ISO 10962 norm** by the provision of new securities attributes, otherwise their ISIN allocation requests will be rejected.

Changes for which we strongly recommend you test are:

For money market instruments (NeuCPs)

- the MMI STP messages (MT 06X) with the new fields: guarantee or ranking and remuneration type (see our Newsletter <u>2020-NL-002</u> for the detailed changes)
- the new eNEUCP and EuroclearConnect for Screens fields appearing in the codification/admission screens

For notes, certificates and warrants via Plug & Clear

- Dutch issuers must now codify their notes, certificates and warrants via Plug & Clear (they currently use Plug & Clear for admission requests only)
- the Plug & Clear files with additional new category, group and attribute fields (see our Newsletter <u>2020-NL-002</u> for the detailed changes)

For codification or update requests for all other instruments via email

- codification and update requests of all other instruments via email to NNA
 Operations with a new version of the application form^{1 2}
- the new application form will allow you to provide, for a creation or an update request:
 - four security attributes needed for the classification, depending on the instrument category
 - by selecting from among a range of possible values for these attributes

¹ This new application form will also be used for admissions. A dedicated communication will be published in due course.

² For the testing phase, please send your application forms to **eses.testing@euroclear.com**



For ISIN reservation

 by choosing an issuer unique identifier that will be part of the ISIN, the issuer or issuer agent can reserve a range of ISINs which can then be included in the codification request.

This feature, which is already available for Plug & Clear codification requests, is extended to codification requests sent by mail.

Important - no changes will be made to the following:

- the ISIN reservation process for French money market instruments
- the Plug&Clear prefix reservation feature

Prior to testing

- No specific test cases will be defined by Euroclear France nor Euroclear Nederland.
 Therefore, issuers and issuer agents can test any case they would like to, in order to ensure they are ready by the launch date into production.
- We strongly recommend you ensure, ahead of the testing period, that you have subscribed to our pre-production testing platform if not done already.

Planning for testing and launch in production

Testing phase	Content	Testing start date	
Phase 1 pre-production	Testing limited to securities creation functions (Plug&Clear, MMIs and application forms)	21 July 2020	
Phase 2 pre-production	Extension of testing to securities features update functionalities (MMIs and application forms)	10 August 2020	
Production	Launch of all enhanced functionalities and fields in production	21 September 2020	

Important: both the launches in pre-production and in production will be preceded by the migration of all of the existing ISINs (active and inactive) in the new NNA service to avoid re-allocation of already allocated ISINs.

Additional documentation

- DSD Dutch and French Numbering Agency (creation on-going)
- New application form (creation on-going)
- ESES NEU CP data dictionary



- <u>DSD Issuance and distribution of money market instruments</u>
- ESES eNEUCP user guide (update on-going)
- ESES EuroclearConnect Services user guide (update on-going)
- DSD Plug & Clear
- ESES Plug & Clear data dictionary
- DSD Securities eligibility and admission rules
- Newsletter concerning prefix reservation in Plug & Clear: <u>2014-NL-032³</u>

Any questions?

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³ This feature, which is available for French issuers only today, is extended to Dutch issuers as well. This will be reflected in the *DSD Dutch and French Numbering Agency*



Annex – Example of Securities application form for ESES CSDs

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SECURITIES APPLICATION FORM FOR ESES CSDs						
H	DEGUNTITED :	REQUEST IN		JIK EUEU	0000	
45	CSD		I'm a Participa	int	☐ Yes	□ No
	Euroclear France		Codification			
ļ	Euroclear Nederland		Admission			
	Euroclear Belgium		Distribution			
		GENERAL IN	FORMATION			
1	Security name					
2	ISIN					
3	CFI Code					CFI Simulator
4	Country of laws governing the security					
5	Confidential	C Yes		□ No		
6	Common code to be created by Euroclear Bank	C Yes		□ No		
6	FINAL documentation	C Yes		□ No		
7	Issuer (full name)					
11	Issuer Country					
12	LEI: Legal Entity Identifier					
13	Securities applicant (Institution Code and Full name)					
13a	Agent/Requestor Name					
13b	Agent/Requestor Address					
13b 13C	Agent/Requestor VAT					
14	Contact name					
15	Contact phone number					
16	Email address					
		PARTIES IN	FORMATION			
17	Registrar					
18	Direct Payment Bank / Agent					
	Paying Agent					
	Deposit Participant					
~~~	Agent/issuer for registered securities *					
22	Agent for account type or NDC 062 *					
23	TPI Indicator *	SECURITIES I	NEODMATION			
24		SECURITIES I	NFORMATION			
25	Issue part of Programme? if yes, please indicate ref number  Nominal value					
26	Unit of Quantity					
27	Issue Currency					
28						
29	Issue Price currency					
30	Quoted / Listed					
31	Listing currency					
32	Smallest Denomination					
33	Issue Date					
34	Maturity Date					
35	Interest Type					
36	Interest rate					
37	Interest Payment Frequency					
38	First Interest Payment Date					
39	Number of Decimals					
40	Legal form of the security					
41 42	Tax regime Restrictions on transfer and/or other restrictions eg TEFRA D, Reg S, ERISA.					
43	Market Identifier Code (MIC)					



	SECURITIES APPLICATION FORM FOR ESES CSDs					
	CSD CONCERNED BY THE ADMISSION REQUEST					
45	Euroclear Belgium		Issuance	0		
	Euroclear France		Increase	0		
	Euroclear Nederland		Decrease	0		
	GENER	AL INFORMATION				
1	Security name					
3	ISIN		***************************************			
5a	Securities applicant (Institution Code and Full name)					
5b	Contact name		***************************************			
5c	Contact phone number					
	Requ	est Information				
	Issuance Type ?					
	Accounting Date					
	Quantity Type					
		Movement				
	Balance on Account Nature 090 before [IssuanceType]					
	Account to [credit/debit]					
	Institution Code					
	Account Nature					
	Subaccount type					
	Subaccount Number					
	Quantity of securities					
	Balance on Account Nature 090 after [IssuanceType]					
			DATE:			
			SIGNATURE			