Summary of conclusions

EU T+1 Coordination Committee

Date:	**Tuesday 07 July 2026**
Time:	14:00 – 16:00
Location:	Microsoft Teams

1. Update from the European Central Bank (ECB)

a. **ECB/T2S preparations**

- The T2S operator reported that the two change requests required for T+1 are under implementation and no issue was identified with the agreed changes.
- The possible postponement of the DvP cut-off in T2S to 17:00 remains under consultation and was noted as not being required for the T+1 transition itself.
- Broad support for the organisation of the five specific testing windows was confirmed by the T2S governance. This includes the availability of the T2S User Testing (UTEST) environment for supporting market-wide testing between 5 April and 1 October 2027, applying the new operational day schedule and the SFT gating event in line with the two T+1 change requests for T2S. Moreover, the proposed scheduling of operational live timing[1] can be fully accommodated, with the exception of 3 days out of 45 testing days.

b. **ECB/ CEG update: Corporate events and automated buyer protection**

- The Committee discussed the expected delay, by some CSDs, in implementing automated buyer protection implementation.
- The Committee noted that the issue adds some uncertainty around the capacity to handle buyer protection in a T+1 environment and could have liquidity implications in specific cases. There will be further discussions on this issue and members of the Committee will monitor next steps.

c. **ECB/ SSM update**

- No immediate prudential concern was identified from an SSM perspective.

[1] "Live timing" refers to the execution of the business day in a test environment using production-equivalent operational timing. The sequence, timing and duration of business day events, settlement windows and cut-offs mirror those of the production environment, enabling validation of the operational processes and cross-system interactions under realistic conditions. Live-timing is thus a particularly relevant testing condition for T+1.

- The SSM does not currently plan to expand further direct supervisory engagement with banks on this topic, but will continue to follow developments and expects to resume dialogue with a sample of banks towards October 2026.
- The Committee underlined that banks and supervised intermediaries may have an important role in reaching out to smaller clients and encouraging them to assess their own readiness, rather than assuming that custodians or service providers will solve all implementation issues on their behalf.

2. Update from the European Commission (EC)

- The European Commission representative confirmed that the amendments to the RTS on settlement discipline had been adopted on 6 July 2026 and had been published on the Commission's transparency portal. They are now subject to the customary three-month scrutiny period by the European Parliament and the Council.
- Publication in the Official Journal is expected at the earliest in October 2026, with the first application deadline on 7 December 2026.

3. Update from ESMA

- The consultation on the review of the Guidelines on allocation and confirmations closed on 7 July 2026. ESMA will now analyse responses and finalise the Guidelines, with a publication expected at the same time as the publication in the OJEU of the revised RTS on settlement discipline, in Q4 2026 with an entry into force expected on 7 December 2026.
- In parallel, ESMA and the NCAs are preparing a statement on T+1 readiness to be published soon and are discussing the results of the readiness survey and the governance of the testing phase at national level.

4. Update from the Industry Committee (IC) Chair

- The EUIC Chair presented the key highlights from the **second readiness survey results**:
    - Continued progress in market readiness, with high awareness and increasing implementation activity: 83% of respondents are actively engaged on T+1 and implementation planning has increased materially.
    - The main concern has moved from internal preparation to the readiness of counterparties, intermediaries, technology providers and service providers. This confirms that coordination across the value chain is now the central challenge.
    - Tier-one firms show positive testing readiness, with 77% indicating that they are ready to test, but questions remain on the readiness of the firms with which they transact.
    - Automation remains a significant challenge across the industry, and smaller firms may be over-reliant on custodians or other intermediaries.
- Further communication should therefore focus not only on awareness, but also on behavioural change and concrete implementation steps.

- **Testing governance**. The Committee agreed that testing will be a decisive risk-reduction tool and that the readiness survey evidence will need to be complemented by concrete testing outcomes.
- Three testing dimensions were identified: internal testing; testing with direct clients, participants or members; and end-to-end testing, which is expected to be the most difficult to coordinate.
- The EUIC is exploring a mapping exercise to identify who is doing what across Member States and to establish a network of relevant contacts. This could come in support of the work of an ad-hoc task force focusing on communication, escalation and facilitation of cross-border testing.
- The EUIC Chair indicated that the EUIC cannot act as a full EU coordination centre, given resource constraints. Its role should be to facilitate communication, support alignment and enable the escalation of issues requiring broader market coordination.
- NCAs have been invited to liaise with their domestic industries and provide feedback by the end of August on national testing organisation and contact points. Feedback from NCAs so far shows varied national approaches. Some jurisdictions are reluctant or unable to designate national contact points, and in several cases the contact point may be limited to a CSD perspective and therefore not cover the full market ecosystem.
- The matter will be further discussed at the next EUIC meeting.
- **Communication**. The Committee concluded that continued communication is necessary, particularly in order to reach smaller firms and clients further down the intermediation chain.
- Supervisors may be able to support this outreach by encouraging supervised banks and intermediaries to raise client awareness and check readiness, while remaining within their respective mandates.
- The EUIC will continue to respond to market questions, update FAQs and organise industry engagement events, including a planned SFT Gating Event webinar in September 2026 and a "One Year to Go" event in October 2026.
- **Monitoring testing participation and outcome**. Future monitoring by the EUIC could be supported by the ValueExchange, with shorter and more targeted surveys on testing.
- Monitoring and reporting should be sufficiently informative to identify the direction of travel and emerging issues, while recognising sensitivities around commercially sensitive readiness data.
- The workstream dealing with **the transition week** will be taking form soon. To recall, the transition will start on the weekend of 9 October 2027, with a double settlement day on Tuesday 12 October 2027, thus is more a transition week/extended weekend. The EUIC has started collecting ideas and may develop recommendations by the end of 2026.
- The Committee noted that authorities and industry should begin considering transition week coordination well in advance, including potential operational challenges such as double-volume settlement days, market operations and corporate events around the transition date.

- There was broad agreement that public-private cooperation will be essential. Given that there is no “plan B” for the transition, coordination mechanisms, escalation channels and crisis-management expectations should be further clarified.

5. AOB: none

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***Next scheduled meetings**:*
29 September 2026 (an ad-hoc meeting could be scheduled earlier if needed)
1 December 2026