

Digital Token Identifier Foundation

Re: Review of RTS 22 on transaction data reporting under Art. 26 and RTS 24 on order book data

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The Digital Token Identifier (DTI) Foundation¹ and its Product Advisory Committee (PAC) welcome the use of globally recognised ISO standards within the proposed MiFIR Review amendments, including the ISO 24165 Digital Token Identifier (DTI) standard. We view the proposed inclusion of DTIs for transaction reporting and order book record keeping for DLT financial instruments as a significant step towards greater market integrity and transparency. Our response emphasises (i) the benefits of the DTI alongside other internationally recognised ISO standards, (ii) the building regulatory and industry adoption of DTI to foster such benefits, and (iii) recognition of the DTI Foundation's governance framework for operating as ISO Registration Authority.

We have confined our response to question 29 as this is directly relevant to the DTI Foundation's remit.

We are available to answer any questions you may have and would welcome the opportunity to discuss the ISO 24165 DTI standard further with ESMA. Please do not hesitate to contact us at secretariat@dtif.org.

¹ The DTI Foundation is a non-profit division of Etrading Software Limited: https://etradingsoftware.com/



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About the DTI Foundation

The DTI Foundation is the Registration Authority for the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 24165 Digital Token Identifier (DTI) standard², an ISO standard that enables the unique identification of all fungible digital assets which use DLT for token issuance, storage, exchange, record of ownership, or transaction validation. The DTI itself comprises a code - a random, unique combination of nine alphanumeric characters allocated to a cryptoasset - and a record of reference data, which is held by the DTI Foundation. The reference data provides information about the DLT on which the token is deployed, as well as token technical attributes (such as address, name(s), and any external identifiers).

The DTI Foundation's mission is to provide the golden source reference data for the unique identification of cryptoassets. The DTI Foundation issues and maintains DTIs on a non-profit basis, to increase transparency in the digital asset space by creating a core reference data set based on open data principles and made available as a public good.

As the Registration Authority for the DTI ISO standard, the DTI Foundation follows strict ISO governance requirements of fair, reasonable, and non-discriminatory (FRAND) principles. The DTI is open and may be freely reproduced, distributed, transmitted, or otherwise used by anyone for any purpose, commercial or non-commercial at no cost.

The DTI Product Advisory Committee (PAC) as the core governance committee provides stewardship and oversight to the implementation of the ISO 24165 standard. The DTI PAC currently comprises over 25 members representing a cross-section of crypto and digital asset market stakeholders, including global institutional investors, standard-setting bodies, academics, asset managers and market infrastructure providers from various regions globally. The list of DTI PAC members is available on the DTI Foundation webpage³.

³ https://dtif.org/product-advisory-committee/



² ISO 24165-1:2021 and ISO 24165-2:2021, Digital token identifier (DTI)