

Ministero dell'Economia e delle Finanze

PRESS RELEASE

Treasury Bills (BOTs) offering announcement

The Ministry of Economy and Finance announces the following BOT issues:

Subscription deadline March 28, 2023	Auction cut-off (11.00 am) March 29, 2023	for 6 and 12 month BOTs (3.30 pm) March 30, 2023	Settlement date March 31, 2023
		Supplementary auction cut-off	

	6 Month BOTs	12 Month BOTs (reopening – 3 months residual maturity *)
Days	182	105
ISIN Code	to be assigned	IT0005500027
Tranche	1st	3rd(*)
Issue date	March 31, 2023	July 14, 2022
Maturity date	September 29, 2023	July 14, 2023
Amount offered (mln. €)	5,000	2,000

(*)Reopening of the 12 Month BOTs Jul 14 2022 - Jul 14 2023, 365 days, decree no. DT6/RE - July 08, 2022

BOTs	Maturing on March 31, 2023	Outstanding on March 14, 2023
Flexible BOTs	0.000	0.000
3 Month BOTs	0.000	0.000
6 Month BOTs	5,500.000	25,250.950
12 Month BOTs	0.000	85,165.003
Total amount	5,500.000	110,415.953

According to D.M. 15 January 2015, the maximum fee that can be charged by intermediaries for BOT with 182 days and 105 days of maturity is respectively of 0.10% and 0.05%.

BOTs are offered through a competitive auction in which operators are required to send their bids in terms of yield. Each operator participating in BOT auctions is allowed to submit up to five bids.

BOTs can be subscribed for a minimum amount of 1,000 euros. For each BOT issue, the relevant price for fiscal purpose is the weighted average price of the first tranche, as obtained from the relative weighted average yield.

Any bids not containing yield reference will not be accepted. Yields indicated by dealers, expressed in percentage, can vary of 0.001% or multiples thereof. The nominal amount of any bid cannot be less than 1.5 million euros.

Only "Specialists in Government bonds", as defined in article 23 of the Ministerial Decree no. 216 of 22nd December 2009, and "Candidate Specialists", as defined in articles 5 and 6 of the Decree no. 993039 of 11th November 2011, are allowed to participate in BOTs auction.

In accordance with Section II – Title V of the legislative decree no. 213 of 24 June 1998 and the following related rules, that establishes all the details about dematerialization of Government Bonds, BOTs are represented in book-entry form in favour of the entitled.

Bank of Italy will comply with the "ad hoc" procedure, in order to automatically settle the BOT subscribed amounts through the

so-called facility of compensation and settlement service, which deals with financial instrument with the same settlement date.

On the basis of the allocation, allottee intermediaries will credit the relative amounts to the subscribers' accounts.

Bids are to be transmitted to the Bank of Italy – using exclusively the National Interbanking Network – strictly before the auction cut-off, according to the rules indicated in the issuance decrees. In case of malfunctioning of the equipment, not allowing the admission of messages through the network, requests of participation in the auction must be sent accordingly to what stated in the issuance decree.

Bids received after the deadline set in the decrees are not taken into consideration. Possible requests that substitute previous ones, are taken into consideration only if they arrive before the deadline. Requests cannot be withdrawn after the above mentioned deadline.

Any auction participant's bids exceeding, also as a whole, the amount offered by the Treasury will be taken into consideration, starting from the one at the lowest yield, to the extent of the amount offered, except what stated in the issuance decrees.

Only "Specialists in Government bonds" who take part in the ordinary auction are entitled to participate in the BOTs supplementary placement, according to the above mentioned rules. The assignment will be at the weighted average yield set in the ordinary auction. The supplementary auction procedure follows the provisions set in the issuance decrees.

The amount of the supplementary auction will be 10% of the nominal outstanding offered in the ordinary auction, as defined in the issuance decrees. It is worth noting that this percentage represents the expected amount to be offered in the supplementary placement, that the Treasury can modify after the ordinary auction, based on the demand expressed by operators; in this case a specific press release will be published.

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