



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	Auction cut-off (11.00 am)	Supplementary auction cut-off for 6 and 12 month BOTs (3.30 pm)	Settlement date
<b>September 26, 2023</b>	<b>September 27, 2023</b>	<b>September 28, 2023</b>	<b>September 29, 2023</b>

	<b>6 Month BOTs</b>
Days	<b>181</b>
ISIN Code	<b>to be assigned</b>
Tranche	<b>1st</b>
Issue date	<b>September 29, 2023</b>
Maturity date	<b>March 28, 2024</b>
Amount offered (mln. €)	<b>6,500</b>

<b>BOTs</b>	<b>Maturing on September 29, 2023</b>	<b>Outstanding on September 14, 2023</b>
Flexible BOTs	0.000	0.000
3 Month BOTs	0.000	0.000
6 Month BOTs	8,570.275	27,037.463
12 Month BOTs	0.000	96,519.985
Total amount	8,570.275	123,557.448

According to D.M. 15 January 2015, the maximum fee that can be charged by intermediaries for BOT with 181 days of maturity is 0.10%.

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 decree. 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 decree 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 decree.

Only "Specialists in Government bonds" who take part in the ordinary auction are entitled to participate in the 6 month 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 decree.

The amount of the supplementary auction will be 10% of the nominal outstanding offered in the ordinary auction, as defined in the issuance decree. 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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