

**OECD: THE ARRANGEMENT FOR OFFICIALLY SUPPORTED EXPORT CREDITS****Changes in Commercial Interest Reference Rates (CIRRs)**

- 1 The Arrangement for Officially Supported Export Credits (the Arrangement) stipulates that minimum interest rates shall apply to official financing support for export credits. The minimum interest rates are the relevant commercial interest reference rates, according to the currencies being used.
- 2 A CIRR is fixed for each currency of the Participants to the Arrangement. CIRRs are set on the 15th of each month. CIRRs for the period from 15 February until 14 March 2009 are listed below (the previous month's rates are listed in the second column):

Currency of country		15-02-2009	15-01-2009
		14-03-2009	14-02-2009
Australian Dollar		4.27	4.51
Can. Dollar	<= 5 years	2.39	2.61
	> 5 to 8.5 years	2.80	3.01
	> 8.5 years	3.24	3.42
Czech Koruna		4.73	5.06
Danish Krone	<= 5 years	3.61	4.49
	> 5 to 8.5 years	4.27	3.95
	> 8.5 years	4.61	4.23
Hungarian Forint		10.72	10.78
Japanese Yen	<= 5 years	1.47	1.63
	> 5 to 8.5 years	1.71	1.82
	> 8.5 years	1.83	1.88
Korean Won		4.97	5.30
New Zealand Dollar		4.69	5.28
Norwegian Krone		3.89	4.34
Polish Zloty		6.07	6.60
Swedish Krona	<= 5 years	3.23	3.11
	> 5 to 8.5 years	3.46	3.47
	> 8.5 years	3.80	3.67
Swiss Franc	<= 5 years	1.76	2.01
	> 5 to 8.5 years	2.40	2.54
	> 8.5 years	2.84	2.87
UK Pound	<= 5 years	2.97	3.39
	> 5 to 8.5 years	3.76	4.00
	> 8.5 years	4.25	4.32
US Dollar	<= 5 years	2.13	2.07
	> 5 to 8.5 years	2.60	2.52
	> 8.5 years	2.98	2.89
Euro*	<= 5 years	3.32	3.59
	> 5 to 8.5 years	3.95	4.06
	> 8.5 years	4.40	4.39

N.B. A premium of 0.2 per cent is to be added to the CIRRs when fixing at bid. Interest rates may not be fixed for longer than 120 days.

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The reference Euro bond yields are an average of the relevant daily spot rates for triple-A EURO government bonds in the EURO area in the previous month with the five latest observations getting a double weight. The daily spot rates are published by the ECB on its website www.ecb.int/stats/money/yc/html/index.en.html, under Statistical Data Warehouse (<http://sdw.ecb.europa.eu/browse.do?node=3570581>)