

# State of the Netherlands

## **Issuance (re-opening)**

Issued under the authorization to contract loans borne by the State of the Netherlands, given by the Comptabiliteitswet 2016. (Government Accounts Act 2016).

# Dutch Treasury Certificates maturing 29 March 2018

Issuance method Dutch Auction

Bidding period 15 January 2018 from 11:00 am to 11:30 am (CET)

Payment 17 January 2018

Interest interest takes the form of a discount from the value at maturity

Initial maturity 5 months and 25 days commencing 4 October 2017

Remaining maturity 2 months and 12 days commencing 17 January 2018

Redemption 29 March 2018

early redemption is not permitted

Uniform allotment

interest rate

the uniform allotment interest rate will be announced after 11:30 am

on 15 January 2018

Allotment the allotted amount will be fixed after the close of the bidding period

nominal bids may be allotted in full or in part the right is reserved to deny any

allotment

## DEFINITIONS

The terms used in the conditions have the meanings stated below **Dutch Treasury Certificates (DTC's):** Loan issued on a discount basis with redemption of the principal at nominal value

DSTA:

Dutch State Treasury Agency, part of the Ministry of Finance

Discounted amount: The allotted nominal amount as discounted by application of the discount factor The uniform allotment interest rate multiplied by the actual number of days Discount factor: remaining until the date of redemption and divided by a factor of 36,000, plus 1

Admitted parties: Institutions registered with the DSTA

Bloomberg Auction System BAS: MTS: MTS Netherlands

Necigef: Nederlands Centraal Instituut voor Giraal Effectenverkeer B.V. (Dutch Central

Securities Giro Institute) Euroclear: Euroclear Bank N.V. Clearstream Banking Clearstream:

Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer Target:

equensWorldline: equensWorldline (formerly Equens N.V.)

Time is Central European Time Time:

## **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

## 1. Manifestation

The debt issued is embodied in the form of a registered right in the name of the affiliated institutions of Necigef. All or part of the debt issued can be made available by means of a registered right in a nominal amount of whole euros.

## 2. Interest

Interest takes the form of a discount from the value at maturity.

## 3. Redemption

Repayment of the principal is made to Necigef in favour of the affiliated institutions and their accountholders. Other rightful claimants will be paid directly.

If the Target and equensWorldline systems are not operational on the due date for redemption, the principal will be made payable on the first day thereafter that the Target and equensWorldline systems are in operation. Early redemption either in whole or in part is not permitted.

## 4. Applicable law and jurisdiction

The loan is subject to Netherlands law. Disputes may be brought exclusively before the competent court in the Netherlands.

Where these conditions do not expressly state that they will be borne by the State of the Netherlands, costs will not be chargeable to the State of the Netherlands.

## 6. Conditions

In case of dispute as to the interpretation of these conditions, the Dutch text will be binding. Copies of these conditions are available free of charge from admitted parties.

## **ISSUE CONDITIONS**

### 1. Issuance

On 15 January 2018 admitted parties may place their bids in Bloomberg (BAS) from 11:00 am to 11:30 am Dutch Treasury Certificates will be issued in multiples of 10 million euro. The State of the Netherlands reserves the right to cancel the issuance at any time.

## 2. System failure

To derive a right from this article admitted parties must have entered a bid before 11:10 am. In case of a Bloomberg or BAS failure on the side of an admitted party, this party shall inform Bloomberg and the DSTA without delay. When the failure is not resolved before 11:20 am, an admitted party may request the DSTA to enter bids on his behalf. The DSTA will only enter bids for one admitted party. Admitted parties may ask other admitted parties to participate on their behalf. In case bids thus submitted are accepted, the DSTA will allot the nominal amount bid to the admitted party that has entered the bid. If both admitted parties agree on requesting the DSTA to split the amount thus allotted, the DSTA will comply with their written request.

## 3. Reservation

The right is reserved to unilaterally cancel and re-allot an allotment that exceeds the upper bound of the target range or an allotment that is inconsistent with the market level at the time of execution.

To be inconsistent with the market level, the allotment interest rate must differ by more than 0.20 percent from the last application executed on MTS within the previous 5 minutes. To identify the market level in the absence of applications executed within the previous 5 minutes on MTS, the best proposal present at the time of the allotment will be considered, taking account of the appropriate side of

In case of a unilateral cancellation and/or re-allotment the DSTA shall notify the admitted parties and Bloomberg, via telephone, e-mail or fax, without delay, and in any event not later than 5 minutes after the first allotment.

## 4. Allotment

Allotment will take place in accordance with the Dutch Auction method (uniform price auction). The allotment interest rate will be announced after 11:30 am on 15 January 2018. Nominal bids at an interest rate below the allotment interest rate will be allotted in full. Nominal bids at an interest rate equal to the allotment interest rate will be allotted either in full or in part. Nominal bids at an interest rate above the allotment interest rate will not be allotted. The State of the Netherlands reserves the right to limit the amount allotted to any one subscriber to 40% of the total allotted amount.

## 5. Settlement

The amount payable will be equal to the allotted nominal amount divided by the discount factor. Payment will be on a Delivery Against Payment base, on the understanding that the amount payable has to be credited on 17 January 2018 by no later than 3.00 pm to the DSTA's issue account number 25003 with Euroclean or to its account number 82929 with Clearstream.

In the event of late payment of the amount due, interest will be charged at the allotment interest rate. The right is reserved to recover any loss suffered by the State of the Netherlands from the admitted party concerned.

Den Haag, 8 January 2018

The Minister of Finance. On his behalf, The acting Agent of the Ministry of Finance

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