

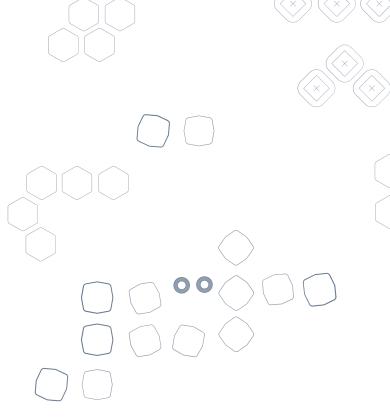
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MiCAR: GL on redemption plans – Public hearing

Wednesday, 22th May 2024



Part 1 Introduction











Public hearing structure and functioning

Public hearing structure

Introduction

GL on redemption plans

- Legal basis and objectives
- General principles
- Scope in relation to the requirement to hold a reserve of assets
- Content of the plan & Redemption process
- Triggers for the implementation of the plan
- Consultation questions

Next steps

Q&A sessions

Suggestions for an efficient session

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Introduction: MiCAR time frame

June 2023

- 9 June 2023: Publication of Regulation 2023/1114 (MiCAR) in the OJ
- 29 June 2023: Entry into force

30 June / 30 Dec. 2024

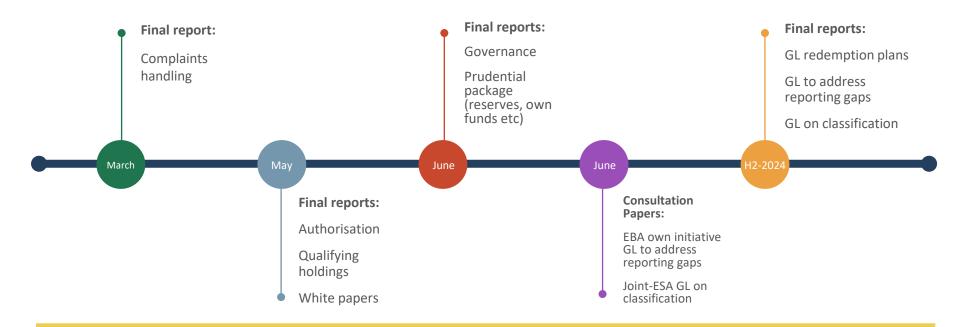
- June Date of application of Title III (ART) and Title IV (EMT), which includes recovery and redemption plans
- **December Full application:** Title I (Subject, Scope and definitions), Title II (Other crypto-assets), Title V (CASP), Title VI (Market abuse) and Title VII (Competent authorities)

1 July 2026

- End of **transitional period for CASP** providing services in accordance with national law before 30 Dec. 2024 (optional)
- Authorisation needed under MiCAR, and prudential requirements to apply



Introduction: MiCAR time frame 2024: Finalisation of MiCAR L2/3 (ARTs/EMTs)





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GL on redemption plans - Public hearing



Part 2

Consultation Paper on GL on redemption plans











Legal basis and objective of the redemption plans



• Art. 47 - for issuers asset-referenced tokens (ART) - and Art. 55 MiCAR for issuers of e-money tokens (EMT)



• Redemption plan to be developed by all issuers of ART or EMT



• Orderly redemption of token holders



• **Decision adopted by the CA** in case the issuer "is unable or likely unable to fulfil its obligations" under MiCAR.



GL addressed to CAs and issuers of ART or EMT



General principles governing the development and implementation of the redemption plan

Proportionality for redemption plans

• level of detail and frequency of review/update of the plan

No undue economic harm to token holders

 maximisation of the proceeds of the liquidation of the reserve of assets (where applicable) to meet redemption claims

Equitable treatment of token holders

• pari passu ranking and suspension of individual redemption claims upon activation of the redemption plan

Timely manner

• immediate implementation of actions by the issuers (e.g. communication notice, liquidation of reserve of assets, redemption process, etc.) and preparedness,



Scope of the GL in relation to the application of the requirement to hold the reserve of assets

Issuers subject to reserve of asset requirement (earmarked for redemption rights)	Issuers not subject to reserve of asset requirements
 ART issuers (including credit institutions) E-money institutions (EMIs) issuing significant EMT EMIs issuing non-significant EMT required by the CA to hold reserve of asset (Art. 58(2) MiCAR) 	Credit institutions issuing EMTs EMI issuing non-significant EMT not required by their CA to hold a reserve of asset (Art. 58(2) MiCAR)
GL scope of application	
 GL on redemption plan apply to these issuers Specific sub-sections on reserve of assets apply to these issuers 	 GL on redemption plan apply to these issuers Specific sub-sections dealing with reserve of assets do not apply



Content of the redemption plan

Governance arrangements

• **Minimum requirements**: a clear and detailed description of gov. arrangements when the plan is implemented;

• **Temporary administrator**: if foreseen by the applicable regime.

Critical activities and contractual arrangements

- Mapping of the **critical activities** to be maintained **operational for implementation of the plan**
- Overview of the contractual arrangements with third-party providers including custodians
- AML/CFT: compliance to be ensured also via intermediaries that are obliged entities where issuer is not subject to AML/CFT requirements

Pooled issuance

- Same token issued by multiple issuers with a single reserve of assets
- Redemption plan: common section to all issuers + tailored section to the internal organisation of each issuer
- Coordinator issuer to be appointed by participating issuers
- Coordination between CAs



Redemption process

- Public notice to be published (information to token holders)
- Notice to providers of critical activities to be communicated

Communication plan

Redemption claim

- To be submitted by the token holders
- Assessment of entitlement for redemption
- « Delivery vs payment mechanism »

 Redemption claims to be met with proceeds from the liquidation of the reserve of assets

Distribution plan



Triggers assessed by the (MiCAR) CA for the activation of the redemption plan

Explicit triggers

- Insolvency,
- Resolution (where applicable), <u>or</u>
- Withdrawal of authorisation (Article 47(1) MiCAR).

Additional MiCAR

• Capital position of the sissuer,
• Liquidity position of the

- Liquidity position of the issuer under MiCAR requirements and/or the reserve of assets, and
 - Other requirements for continuing authorisation (only for authorised ART issuers).

Other elements to

9 - Significant adverse developments in the macro-economic environment,

- Significant deterioration of market perception of an issuer, <u>and</u>
- Significant deterioration of the market conditions.



Credit institutions and CCPs: coordination between MiCAR CAs and prudential and resolution CAs, in case of commencement of crisis prevention measures or crisis management measures



GL on redemption plans: consultation questions

Question n. 1: Do you consider that the scope of the GL on redemption plans is sufficiently clear and takes into account the differences regarding the obligation to hold a reserve of assets set out in Regulation (EU) 2023/1114 applicable to the different types of ART or EMT issuers?

Question n. 2: Do you consider that the GL on redemption plans are sufficiently clear and comprehensive and that they cover all aspects of the mandate?

Question n. 3: Do you consider that the redemption process as described herein provides adequate operational guidance to token holders about the actions and steps relating to the redemption claim?

Question n. 4: Do you consider that the information to be contained in the draft public notice is adequate and covers the necessary information to be conveyed to the token holders and for a sound redemption process?



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Question n. 5:

- **5.1** Do you consider that the aspects to be assessed by the competent authority for purposes of assessing whether the issuer is unable or likely to be unable to fulfil its obligations under Regulation (EU) 2023/1114 envisaged in the Guidelines appropriately complement those set out in Article 47(1) of Regulation (EU) 2023/1114?
- **5.2** Do you agree that in case of credit institutions and the other entities subject to Directive 2014/59/EU or of central counterparties subject to Regulation (EU) 2021/23, the competent authority should not trigger the redemption plan without prior consultation and coordination with the relevant prudential or resolution competent authorities under that Directive or Regulation, in case of commencement of crisis prevention measures or crisis management measures under such sectoral acts?



Part 3 Next steps







Provisional agenda

Public consultation end date: **10 June 2024**

Pls send your comments via our EBA website – link here

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