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PRESS NOTICE

SYNDICATION OF A NEW CONVENTIONAL GILT MATURING ON 22 JULY 2057 IN THE WEEK COMMENCING 23 JANUARY 2017

The UK Debt Management Office (DMO) is announcing today that the sixth syndication of the 2016-17 programme will be the sale of a new conventional gilt maturing on 22 July 2057.

The transaction is expected to take place in the week commencing 23 January 2017, subject to market and demand conditions.

Further details of the sale, including the composition of the syndicate, ISIN code, and the coupon on the new gilt, will be announced in due course.

Notes for editors

The DMO's financing remit for 2016-17, published alongside the Budget on 16 March 2016, included the provision for a programme of syndicated offerings to be held in 2016-17 aiming to raise a minimum of £25.5 billion (split £16.0 billion index-linked gilts and £9.5 billion long conventional gilts). The DMO also announced that it envisaged holding six syndicated offerings (four of index-linked gilts and two of long conventional gilts) in 2016-17.

Any type and maturity of gilt can be sold through syndication; however, the DMO's current planning assumption is that the syndication programme in 2016-17 will largely be used to launch new long conventional and index-linked gilts and/or for reopenings of high duration gilts.

The size of the syndication programme can be increased in-year via accessing an initially unallocated portion of issuance, which can be used to issue any type or maturity of gilt via any issuance method. The initial size of the unallocated portion of issuance was £8.0 billion.

A total of £2.25 billion of the unallocated portion of issuance has been used to increase the size of three of the syndications held in the current financial year todate; these and other re-allocations are summarised in the table below. The balance of the unallocated portion of issuance is currently £1.6 billion.

Date	Size of draw-down	Purpose
	(£mn)	
24-May-16	500	Increase the size of the IL 2046 syndication
12-Jul-16	912	Gilt tender of 4% 2060
26-Jul-16	1,000	Increase the size of the IL 2065 syndication
31-Aug-16	1,500	Increase the size of short, medium and long auctions
27-Sep-16	872	Gilt tender of IL 2052
25-Oct-16	750	Increase the size of the 21/2% 2065 syndication
02-Nov-16	824	Gilt tender of IL 2040
	6,358	
Balance	1,642	

At Autumn Statement 2016 on 23 November 2016, the overall size of the syndication programme was increased by £4.3 billion to a minimum of £32.1 billion, split as follows:

- Long conventional gilts: an increase of £4.0 billion to £14.3 billion, with an additional syndication scheduled.
- Index-linked gilts: an increase of £0.3 billion to £17.8 billion.

On 2 December 2016 the DMO announced that it planned to hold two syndications in the final quarter of the financial year, as follows:

- Second half of January: a long conventional gilt with a maturity in the 40-year area or longer; and
- Second half of February: a long index-linked gilt.

Five syndications have been held to date in 2016-17 raising £24.2 billion; the results are summarised in the table below.

Date	Gilt	Size (£mn nom)		Issue Yield (%)	Proceeds (£mn cash)
26 Apr 2016	21/2% Treasury Gilt 2065	4,750	106.164	2.291	5,033
24 May 2016	01/4% Index-linked Treasury Gilt 2046	3,500	131.617	-0.810	4,655
26 Jul 2016	01/4% Index-linked Treasury Gilt 2065	2,500	201.335	-1.325	5,058
25 Oct 2016	21/2% Treasury Gilt 2065	4,000	130.500	1.597	5,212
29 Nov 2016	01/4% Index-linked Treasury Gilt 2056	2,250	186.909	-1.466	4,200
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