

## **DMO screen announcement: 23 February 2005**

### **Budget 2005 and rescheduling of the March quarterly consultation meetings.**

Following today's decision by the Chancellor of the Exchequer that Budget 2005 will be held on Wednesday 16 March, the quarterly consultation meetings with GEMMs and gilt market investors to discuss gilt issuance in April-June 2005 will be moved to Monday 21 March (4pm Investors, 5pm GEMMs) from Monday 14 March.

The size and coupon on the new 2020 gilt (to be auctioned on 24 March) will be announced, as previously planned, at 3.30pm on Tuesday 15 March.

The DMO's remit for 2005-06 and the DMO's response to the consultation on ultra-long gilt issuance will be published immediately after the end of the Chancellor's Budget 2005 speech.