

Testing the TIPS BILL Implementation



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## The BILL Module

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The BILL module will be implemented gradually across the TARGET Services.

- TIPS → November 2021
- T2S → June 2022
- T2 → November 2022 (T2 go-live)

This presentation examines the testing considerations during release testing of TIPS release 4.0 where BILL is implemented in TIPS in November 2021

- Switching on of the BILL in CERT
- Billable Items
- Connection of the RTGS System
  - Billing periods in the Test Environment

## Switching On



- The BILL module is deployed as part of TIPS Release 4.0
- 4.0 also contains the CRs related to TIPS Reachability and the NRO
- User Testing begins on 13 September 2021 according to the R4.0 STP
- Although the BILL will be deployed in Production in mid-November, the 4CB are assessing whether it can be switched on 1 December so that the issue of a double invoice for November can be avoided. If not then this scenario will need to be tested in September.
- The CRDM-BILL configuration activities of the NCBs must also be taken into consideration

## **TIPS Billable Items**

Message Type	;	Status		Participation
Pacs.004	R	Settled	N/	Ancillary System
Pacs.008		Unsettled		TIPS Participant

- All 8 combinations of billable items must be tested e.g. pacs.008 settled by an Ancillary system, unsettled pacs.004 etc.
- The central banks must also test their ability to make manual corrections to an invoice

## Configuration of the BILL for User Testing

The BILL Module can be configured to produce an invoice on a regular basis e.g. weekly during the 4.0 testing



- The central banks will consult with their markets and define the optimal frequency of invoices to be produced during the billing testing campaign
- The correct configuration in CRDM can be verified. All bill formats will be tested during the period e.g. PDF, camt.077 and consumption file.
- The TIPS Certification Test Environment is connected to TARGET2CUST and thus the direct debiting of the invoiced amount from the linked TARGET2CUST PM account can be verified