

# **The Guide to Best Practice in the European repo market**

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## ICMA Guide to Best Practice in the European Repo Market

- Recommended best practice & market conventions
- Consolidation of ICMA & ERCC guidance plus new guidance
- Up to 136 pages
- Oversight by ERCC & Working Group
- New Guide published in December 2018: fifth version since 2014
- Available on the [ICMA website](#)
- Markets Market feedback essential

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- Abuse of hold-and-release facilities on (I)CSDs (2.54)
- Notification of counterparty before cancellation of instructions & confirmation of cancellations (2.55)
- Agreement necessary for amendment of instructions & confirmation of amendments (2.56)
- Note that interest on cash margin is included in Net Exposure (3.50)
- More detail on Repricing (3.50)
- Contingency procedures for margin disputes & mutual provision of information (3.61-62)

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- Providing price information in mini close-outs (4.3)
- Claims for manufactured payments (4.7-9)
- Ex-dividend periods leading to margin disputes (4.12-16)
- Accounting consequences of substitution with dissimilar securities & disputes (4.20-21)
- Updating addresses (4.27-28)
- Updated Annex I --- background on repo
- Updated Annex II --- market glossary
- Updated Annex III --- open, evergreens & extendibles