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PRESS RELEASE

Household and non-financial corporate sector interest rates: May 2013¹

In May 2013, average interest rates on forint loans and deposits of households and non-financial corporations typically fell. According to seasonally unadjusted data, new business of forint housing loans and general purpose mortgage loans increased. Average interest rates on euro loans to non-financial corporations declined.

In May 2013, the average APRC on new forint housing loans and general purpose mortgage loans fell. New business of forint housing loans increased significantly and that of general purpose mortgage loans increased slightly.² The APRC³ on personal loans also fell and new business rose relative to the previous month.

Monthly average interest rates on forint and euro deposits of the household sector fell in the month. New business of forint deposits decreased and that of euro deposits increased.

| Households | , v | erest rates on i percentage poi | | New business volumes (HUF billions: non-seasonally adjusted data) | | | | | | |
|--|----------|------------------------------------|----------|---|----------|----------|--|--|--|--|
| | May 2013 | Month-on month change | May 2012 | May 2013 | Apr 2013 | May 2012 | | | | |
| Forint housing loans ¹ | 9,96 | -0,12 | 12,27 | 13,6 | 10,3 | 11,9 | | | | |
| Forint general purpose mortgage loans ¹ | 12,18 | -0,29 | 15,19 | 3,7 | 3,0 | 3,9 | | | | |
| Forint personal loans ¹ | 27,67 | -0,33 | 28,63 | 8,1 | 7,3 | 6,7 | | | | |
| Forint deposits | 3,88 | -0,32 | 6,70 | 854,1 | 938,8 | 967,5 | | | | |
| Euro deposits with agreed maturity up to 1 year | 1,85 | -0,11 | 2,84 | 142,8 | 128,1 | 157,1 | | | | |

1) Loans with floating rate and up to 1 year initial rate fixation

2) The table contains the average APRC for loans

Table1

¹ New loans to households and non-financial corporations do not include restructured loans. Similarly, the effects of government bridging loans are eliminated from the values of new housing loans and general purpose loans to households. (For more details, see the methodological notes.)

² Act XC of 2010, which prohibits banks from registering a mortgage under a foreign currency loan, entered into force on 14 August 2010. This has been reflected in a decline in foreign currency lending. The greater-than-zero amount of new foreign currency lending is explained by the opportunity to redenominate foreign currency loans disbursed earlier or transfer of debt. (For more details, see the methodological notes.)

³ Under Article 199 (1) of Act XCII of 1996, from 2 April 2012 the annual percentage rate of charge on loans to households may not be higher than the prevailing central bank base rate increased by 24 percentage points, with certain exceptions.

Monthly average interest rates on forint loans to the non-financial corporate sector of up to and over the equivalent of EUR 1 million fell. Interest rates on euro loans of up to EUR 1 million dropped slightly and those on euro loans of over EUR 1 million declined significantly relative to the previous month.

New business of forint loans to the non-financial corporate sector of up to and over the equivalent of EUR 1 million increased relative to April. New business of euro loans of up to EUR 1 million decreased slightly and that of euro loans of over EUR 1 million declined significantly.

Monthly average interest rates on non-financial corporations' forint deposits fell markedly and those on euro deposits remained unchanged relative to the previous month. New business of forint deposits decreased considerably and that of euro deposits increased slightly.

| Table2 | | | | | | |
|--|---|--------------------------|----------|---|----------|----------|
| Non-financial corporations | Average interest rates on new business (percentage points) | | | New business volumes (HUF billions: non-seasonally adjusted data) | | |
| | May 2013 | Month-on month change | May 2012 | May 2013 | Apr 2013 | May 2012 |
| Forint loans up to 1 million EUR ¹ | 7,53 | -0,31 | 9,99 | <mark>60,9</mark> | 54,4 | 56,9 |
| Euro loans up to 1 million EUR ¹ | 3,41 | -0,16 | 3,74 | 16,0 | 17,8 | 19,4 |
| Forint loans over 1 million EUR ¹ | 6,12 | -0,08 | 8,68 | 96,3 | 83,1 | 75,9 |
| Euro loans over 1 million EUR ¹ | 2,71 | -0,42 | 3,39 | 49,5 | 72,1 | 54,0 |
| Forint deposits | 4,04 | -0,41 | 6,59 | 1611,5 | 2299,8 | 1771,6 |
| Euro deposits with agreed maturity up to 1 year | 0,64 | -0,01 | 1,27 | 422,8 | 402,5 | 584,1 |
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The seasonally adjusted data, published simultaneously with this press release in the <u>chart pack</u> and in the <u>time series</u> for household and non-financial sector interest rates, are subject to more uncertainty than usual, due to fluctuations caused by the financial crisis.

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Detailed tables: <u>Time series</u> Charts: <u>Chart pack</u> Notes: <u>Methodological notes</u>

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