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From:	General Secretariat of the Council		
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	 Initial positions of the three Institutions prior to the commencement of trilogues 		

Delegations will find enclosed the opening position of the three institutions on the proposal mentioned above, prior to the commencement of the trilogue phase.

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Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulations (EU) No 260/2012 and (EU) 2021/1230 as regards instant credit transfers in euro (Text with EEA relevance)

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1	2022/0341 (COD)	2022/0341 (COD)	2022/0341 (COD)
2	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulations (EU) No 260/2012 and (EU) 2021/1230 as regards instant credit transfers in euro (Text with EEA relevance)	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulations (EU) No 260/2012 and (EU) 2021/1230 and Directives 98/26/EC and 2014/92/EU as regards instant credit transfers in euro (Text with EEA relevance)	Proposal for a REGULATION (EU) 2023/ OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of amending Regulations (EU) No 260/2012 and (EU) 2021/1230 as regards instant credit transfers in euro (Text with EEA relevance)
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4	Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 114 thereof,	Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 114 thereof,	Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 114 thereof,
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	Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,	Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,	Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,
6	After transmission of the draft legislative act to the national Parliaments,	After transmission of the draft legislative act to the national Parliaments,	After transmission of the draft legislative act to the national parliaments,
7	Having regard to the opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee ¹ , 1. OJ C [], [], p. [].	Having regard to the opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee ¹ , 1. OJ C [], [], p. [].	Having regard to the opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee ¹ , 1. OJ C [], [], p. [].
8	Having regard to the opinion of the European Central Bank ¹ , 1. OJ C [], [], p. [].	Having regard to the opinion of the European Central Bank ¹ , 1. OJ C [], [], p. [].	Having regard to the opinion of the European Central Bank ¹ , 1. OJ C [], [], p. [].
9	Acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure,	Acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure,	Acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure,
10	Whereas:	Whereas:	Whereas:
11	(1) Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council ¹	(1) Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council ¹ provides the	(1) Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council ¹

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	provides the foundation for the single euro payments area (SEPA). To create favourable conditions for increased competition, in particular for payments at point of interaction (PoI), the SEPA project should be continuously updated to reflect innovation and market developments in payments, promote the development of new Union-wide payment products, and facilitate access for new market entrants. 1. Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 March 2012 establishing technical and business requirements for credit transfers and direct debits in euro and amending Regulation (EC) No 924/2009 (OJ L 94, 30.3.2012, p. 22).	foundation for the single euro payments area (SEPA). To create favourable conditions for increased competition, in particular for payments at point of interaction (PoI), the SEPA project should be continuously updated to reflect innovation and market developments in payments, promote the development of new Union-wide payment products, and facilitate access for new market entrants. 1. Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 March 2012 establishing technical and business requirements for credit transfers and direct debits in euro and amending Regulation (EC) No 924/2009 (OJ L 94, 30.3.2012, p. 22).	provides the foundation for the single euro payments area (SEPA). To create favourable conditions for increased competition, in particular for payments at point of interaction (<i>PolPOI</i>), the SEPA project should be continuously updated to reflect innovation and market developments in payments, promote the development of new Union-wide payment products, and facilitate access for new market entrants. 1. Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 March 2012 establishing technical and business requirements for credit transfers and direct debits in euro and amending Regulation (EC) No 924/2009 (OJ L 94, 30.3.2012, p. 22).
1	(2) In 2017, a Union-wide scheme for the instant execution of credit transfers in euro was agreed between payment service providers (PSPs) under the auspices of the European Payments Council. The efforts of the European payments industry have not proven sufficient to ensure a high uptake at Union level of instant credit transfers in euro. Only a widespread and rapid increase in that uptake can unlock the full-scale network effects of instant credit transfers in euro, leading to benefits and economic efficiency gains for payments services users (PSUs) and providers, reduced market concentration, increased competition and choice of electronic	(2) In 2017, a Union-wide scheme for the instant execution of credit transfers in euro was agreed between payment service providers (PSPs) under the auspices of the European Payments Council. The efforts of the European payments industry have not proven sufficient to ensure a high uptake at Union level of instant credit transfers in euro. Only a widespread and rapid increase in that uptake can unlock the full-scale network effects of instant credit transfers in euro, leading to benefits and economic efficiency gains for payments services users (PSUs) and providers, reduced market concentration, increased competition and choice of electronic payments, in particular for cross-border payments at PoI.	(2) In 2017, a Union-wide scheme for the instant execution of credit transfers in euro was agreed between payment service providers (PSPs) under the auspices of the European Payments Council. The efforts of the European payments industry have not proven sufficient to ensure a high uptake at Union level_of instant credit transfers in euro at Union level. Only a widespread and rapid increase in that uptake can unlock the full-scale network effects of instant credit transfers in euro, leading to benefits and economic efficiency gains for payments services payment service users (PSUs) and providers PSPs, reduced market concentration, increased competition

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	payments, in particular for cross-border payments at PoI.		and choice of electronic payments, in particular for cross-border payments at <i>PolPOI</i> .
13	(3) Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 established technical and business requirements for credit transfers and direct debits in euro. Instant credit transfers in euro are a relatively new category of credit transfers in euro which emerged on the market only after the adoption of that Regulation. It is therefore necessary to provide for specific requirements for instant credit transfers in euro, in addition to the general requirements applicable to all credit transfers.	(3) Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 established technical and business requirements for credit transfers and direct debits in euro. Instant credit transfers in euro are a relatively new category of credit transfers in euro which emerged on the market only after the adoption of that Regulation. It is therefore necessary to provide for specific requirements for instant credit transfers in euro, in addition to the general requirements applicable to all credit transfers to ensure the proper functioning and strengthening of the internal market, as well as facilitate further integration of the Union payments market.	(3) Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 established technical and business requirements for credit transfers and direct debits in euro. Instant credit transfers in euro are a relatively new category of credit transfers in euro which emerged on the market only after the adoption of that Regulation. It is therefore necessary to provide for specific requirements for instant credit transfers in euro, in addition to the general requirements applicable to all credit transfers, to ensure the proper functioning of the internal market.
13a		(3a) To make instant payments more accessible, they should also be available as basic features in a payment account. This Regulation therefore also amends Directive 2014/92/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council. Moreover, to widen the benefits of instant credit transfers to PSUs, Member States whose currency is not the euro should be able to apply this Regulation to domestic instant credit transfers in their own currency. 1. Directive 2014/92/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 July 2014 on the comparability of fees related to payment accounts, payment account switching and access to	

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14	(4) A number of national regulatory solutions have already been adopted or proposed to increase the uptake of instant credit transfers in euro, including by strengthening PSUs' protection from sending funds to an unintended payee or specifying the process of compliance with obligations flowing from Union sanctions. Those national regulatory solutions pose a risk of fragmentation of the internal market, thus increasing the compliance costs due to different sets of national regulatory requirements, and making	(4) A number of national regulatory solutions have already been adopted or proposed to increase the uptake of instant credit transfers in euro, including by strengthening PSUs' protection from sending funds to an unintended payee or specifying the process of compliance with obligations flowing from Union sanctions. <i>Differences in</i> those national regulatory solutions <i>and the absence of common Union-wide rules</i> pose a risk of fragmentation of the internal market, thus increasing the compliance costs due to different sets of national regulatory requirements, and making the execution of cross-	(4) A number of national regulatory solutions have already been adopted or proposed to increase the uptake of instant credit transfers in euro, including by strengthening PSUs' protection from sending funds to an unintended payee or specifying the process of compliance with obligations flowing from Union sanctions. restrictive measures. The differences in those national regulatory solutions pose a risk of fragmentation of the internal market, thus increasing the compliance costs due to different sets of national
15	the execution of cross-border instant credit transfers more difficult. (5) Prior to the emergence of instant credit transfers, payment transactions were generally bundled by PSPs and submitted to a retail payment system for clearing and settlement purposes at pre-specified times. However, in retail payment systems currently used to	border instant credit transfers more difficult. Uniform rules on instant credit transfers in euro, including cross-border transfers, should therefore be introduced to prevent such obstacles from arising. (5) Prior to the emergence of instant credit transfers, payment transactions were generally bundled by PSPs and submitted to a retail payment system for clearing and settlement purposes at pre-specified times. However, in retail payment systems currently used to process instant credit transfers in euro,	regulatory requirements, and making the execution of cross-border instant credit transfers more difficult. Uniform rules for cross-border instant credit transfers at Union level should therefore be introduced in order to prevent such obstacles. (5) Prior to the emergence of instant credit transfers, payment transactions were generally bundled by PSPs and submitted to a retail payment system for clearing and settlement purposes at pre-specified times. However, in retail payment systems currently used to
	process instant credit transfers in euro, payment transactions are submitted	payment transactions are submitted individually, processed in real time and round the clock. To reflect	process instant credit transfers in euro, payment transactions are submitted

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	individually, processed in real time and round the clock. To reflect this, it is necessary to amend the definition of 'retail payment system'.	this, it is necessary to amend the definition of 'retail payment system'.	individually, processed in real time and round the clock. To reflect this, it is necessary to amend the definition of <i>the term</i> 'retail payment system' <i>provided in Regulation (EU) No 260/2012</i> .
16	(6) Ensuring that all PSUs in the Union are able to place payment orders for and receive instant credit transfers in euro is a precondition for an increased uptake of such transactions. Currently, at least one third of PSPs in the Union do not offer instant credit transfers in euro. Moreover, the rate at which PSPs have been adding instant credit transfers to their services has been, over the last few years, too slow, which hinders further integration of the Union's internal payments market. Therefore, PSPs should be required to offer the service of sending and receiving instant credit transfers in euro.	(6) Ensuring that all PSUs in the Union are able to place payment orders for and receive instant credit transfers in euro is a precondition for an increased uptake of such transactions. Currently, at least one third of PSPs in the Union do not offer instant credit transfers in euro. Moreover, the rate at which PSPs have been adding instant credit transfers to their services has been, over the last few years, too slow, which hinders further integration of the Union's internal payments market, undermines strategic autonomy in the Union payments market and limits potential benefits for PSUs. Therefore, PSPs providing credit transfer services in euro to their PSUs should be required to offer the service of sending and receiving instant credit transfers in euro.	(6) Ensuring that all PSUs in the Union are able to place payment orders for and receive instant credit transfers in euro is a precondition for an increased uptake of such transactions. Currently, at least one third of PSPs in the Union do not offer instant credit transfers in euro. Moreover, the rate at which PSPs have been adding instant credit transfers to their services has been, over the last few years, too slow, which hinders further integration of the <i>Union's</i> internal <i>payments</i> -market. Therefore, PSPs <i>providing services of credit transfer in euro to their PSUs</i> should be required to offer the service of sending and receiving instant credit transfers in euro.
17	(7) To create an integrated market for instant credit transfers in euro, it is essential that such transactions are processed in accordance with a common set of rules and requirements. An instant credit transfer in euro enables funds to be credited to the account of the payee within seconds and round the clock. The round the clock availability every day of the year is an	(7) To create an integrated market for instant credit transfers in euro, it is essential that such transactions are processed in accordance with a common set of rules and requirements. An instant credit transfer in euro enables funds to be credited to the account of the payee within seconds and round the clock.—The round the clock availability every day of the year is an intrinsic feature of instant credit transfers.	(7) To create an integrated market for instant credit transfers in euro, it is essential that such transactions are processed in accordance with a common set of rules and requirements. An instant credit transfer in euro enables funds to be credited to the account of the payee within seconds and round the clock. The round the elock The round-the-clock availability every

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	intrinsic feature of instant credit transfers. Therefore, it is appropriate that the definition of instant credit transfers refers to the specific conditions that they should meet regarding the time of receipt of payment orders, processing, crediting and value dating.	Therefore, it is appropriate that the definition of instant credit transfers refers to the specific conditions that they should meet regarding the time of receipt of—payment orders, processing, crediting and value dating.	day of the year is an intrinsic feature of instant credit transfers. Therefore, it is appropriate that the definition of, which should meet specific conditions regarding the time of receipt of payment orders, processing, crediting and value dating. The European Central Bank (ECB) and national central banks, when not acting in their capacity as monetary authorities or other public authorities, should be able to limit their offering of a payment service of sending instant credit transfers refers in euro to the specific conditions that they period of time during which they receive and send noninstant credit transfer transactions in euro. Furthermore, taking into consideration the limited access to liquidity in euro for some PSPs outside business hours, it should meet regarding the time of receipt of payment orders, processing, crediting and value dating be optional for PSPs to offer the service of sending instant credit transfers in euro from accounts not denominated in euro outside business hours.
17a		(7a) The European Central Bank (ECB) and national central banks, when not acting in their capacity as monetary authorities or other public authorities, should be able to limit their offer to PSUs of a payment service of sending instant credit transfers in euro to the period during which the ECB and national central banks receive and send	

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		non-instant credit transfers in euro, where such limitation is necessary to ensure compliance with Article 123 TFEU.	
18	(8) There is a variety of interfaces through which PSUs can place a payment order for a credit transfer in euro, including via online banking, a mobile application, an automated teller machine, in a branch, or by phone. To ensure that all PSUs have access to instant credit transfers in euro, there should be no difference in terms of the interfaces through which PSUs can place payment orders for instant and other types of credit transfer transactions. Moreover, where it is possible for a PSU to submit to a PSP payment orders for credit transfers packaged together, that same possibility should also be available with respect to instant credit transfers in euro. PSPs should be able to offer all credit transfers in euro initiated by their PSUs as instant by default.	(8) There is a variety of interfaces through which PSUs can place a payment order for a credit transfer in euro, including via online banking, a mobile application, an automated teller machine, a self-service terminal, in a branch, or by phone. To ensure that all PSUs have access to instant credit transfers in euro, there should be no difference in terms of the interfaces through which PSUs canthat offer PSUs the possibility to place payment orders for instant and other types of credit transfer transactions. Moreover, where it is possible for a PSU to submit to a PSP payment orders for credit transfers packaged together, that same possibility should also be available with respect to instant credit transfers in euro. PSPs should be able to offer all credit transfers in euro initiated by their PSUs as instant by default.	(8) There is a variety of interfaces payment initiation channels in the Member States through which PSUs can place a payment order for a credit transfer in euro, including via online banking, a mobile application, an automated teller machine, in a branch, or by phone. To ensure that all PSUs have access to instant credit transfers in euro, there should be no difference in terms of the payment initiation channels interfaces through which PSUs can place payment orders for instant credit transfers and other types of credit transfer transactions. Moreover, where it is possible for a PSU to submit to a PSP payment orders for credit transfers packaged together, that same possibility should also be available with respect to instant credit transfers in euro. PSPs should be able to offer all credit transfers in euro initiated by their PSUs as instant credit transfers by default.
18a		(8a) Since some payment initiation channels, such as bank retail locations, are not available all the time, the time of receipt of a paper-based payment order should be considered to take place at the moment when the payment order is inserted into the	

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		internal system of the payer's PSP, which should occur as soon as such payment initiation channels are available.	
18b		(8b) Where a PSU submits a package of multiple payment orders for instant credit transfers to its PSP, that PSP should immediately start to unpack that package so as to turn it into individual instant credit transfer transactions. The time of receipt of a payment order submitted in a package of multiple payment orders should be the moment when the ensuing individual payment transaction has been unpacked. The payer's PSP should immediately transmit the individual instant credit transfer transactions either simultaneously or in sequence. That transmission should occur without prejudice to possible solutions to be provided by retail payment systems which allow for the conversion of packages of multiple payment orders for instant credit transfers into individual instant payment transactions.	
18c		(8c) Where a payment order for an instant credit transfer in euro is submitted from a payment account that is not denominated in euro, the time of receipt should be the moment when the PSP, immediately upon receiving that payment order, converts into euro the amount of the transaction from the currency in which the payment account is denominated.	

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			(8a) Since non-electronic payment initiation
			channels might not be open 24/7 (e.g.
			branches), receipt of a payment order should
			in such cases be considered to only take place
			at the moment the payment information is
			transposed into an electronic payment order,
			which should take place as soon as such
			payment initiation channels open. When a
			PSU submits a package of multiple payment
			orders for instant credit transfer to its PSP,
			the PSP should immediately start to convert
			such package into individual instant credit
			transfer transactions. The time of receipt of a
			payment order submitted in a package should be the moment when the individual payment
18d			transaction has been unpacked. The payer's
			PSP should immediately, taking into account
			any capacity constraints of a retail payment
			system communicated to the payer's PSP,
			transmit individual instant credit transfer
			transactions ensuing from a package
			simultaneously or in sequence. This is
			without prejudice to possible solutions to be
			provided by retail payment systems which
			would allow for conversion of packages of
			multiple payment orders for instant credit
			transfers into individual instant credit
			transfer transactions. In case of a payment
			order for instant credit transfer in euro
			submitted from a payment account that is not
			denominated in euro, the time of receipt

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			should be once the PSP, immediately upon receiving the payment order, has converted the amount of the transaction from the currency in which the payment account is denominated into euro.
19	(9) It would not be proportionate to impose on payment institutions and electronic money institutions an obligation to offer the service of sending and receiving instant credit transfers in euro, because those institutions cannot be admitted as participants in a payment system designated in accordance with Directive 98/26/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council ¹ . Those institutions may therefore experience difficulties in accessing the infrastructure necessary to execute instant credit transfers. It is therefore appropriate to exclude payment institutions and electronic money institutions from the obligation to offer the service of sending and receiving instant credit transfers in euro. 1. Directive 98/26/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 May 1998 on settlement finality in payment and securities settlement systems (OJ L 166, 11.6.1998, p. 45).	(9) It would not be proportionate to impose on Payment institutions and electronic money institutions an obligation to offer the service of sending and receiving should contribute to facilitating the uptake of instant credit transfers in euro, because those institutions cannot be admitted as participants. It is therefore appropriate to allow those institutions to participate in a payment system designated in accordance with Directive 98/26/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council ¹ . Those institutions may therefore experience difficulties in accessing the infrastructure necessary to execute instant credit transfers. It is therefore appropriate to exclude payment institutions and electronic money institutions from the obligation, thus enabling them to access settlement systems and to offer the service of sending and receiving instant credit transfers in euro. 1. Directive 98/26/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 May 1998 on settlement finality in payment and securities settlement systems (OJ L 166, 11.6.1998, p. 45).	(9) It would not be proportionate to impose on payment institutions and electronic money institutions an obligation to offer the service of sending and receiving instant credit transfers in euro, because those institutions cannot be admitted as participants in a payment system designated in accordance with Directive 98/26/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council¹. Those institutions may therefore experience difficulties in accessing the infrastructure necessary to execute instant credit transfers. It is therefore Under the current circumstances, it is appropriate to exclude payment institutions and electronic money institutions from the obligation to offer the service of sending and receiving instant credit transfers in euro. However, if payment institutions and electronic money institutions provide instant credit transfers on a voluntary basis, they should comply with the requirements established by this Regulation. In case payment institutions and electronic money institutions would be admitted as participants in a payment system designated in accordance with Directive 98/26/EC, inclusion of those institutions under this

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			Regulation should also be considered through appropriate action by the Union legislator based on a legislative proposal by the Commission. 1. Directive 98/26/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 May 1998 on settlement finality in payment and securities settlement systems (OJ L 166, 11.6.1998, p. 45).
20	(10) PSUs are very sensitive to the level of charges for substitutable payment methods. The level of charges can therefore steer them towards or away from a given payment method. In those national markets where higher transaction-level charges for instant credit transfers in euro compared to charges for other types of credit transfers in euro have been applied, the uptake of instant credit transfers is low. That has prevented the attainment of the critical mass of instant credit transfers in euro that is necessary to realise the full network effects for PSPs and PSUs alike. All types of charges applied to payers and payees for the execution of instant credit transfers in euro, including per transaction charges or lump sum charges, should therefore not exceed such charges applied to the same PSU for corresponding types of other credit transfers in euro. When identifying corresponding types of credit transfers, it should be possible to use criteria including the PSU interface or the payment instrument used	(10) PSUs are very sensitive to the level of charges for substitutable payment methods. The level of charges can therefore steer them towards or away from a given payment method. In those national markets where higher transaction-level charges for instant credit transfers in euro compared to charges for other types of credit transfers in euro have been applied, the uptake of instant credit transfers is low. That has prevented the attainment of the critical mass of instant credit transfers in euro that is necessary to realise the full network effects for PSPs and PSUs alike. All types of charges applied to payers and payees for the execution of instant credit transfers in euro, including per transaction charges or lump sum charges, should therefore not exceed such charges applied to the same PSU for corresponding types of other credit transfers in euro. It is essential to guarantee, through a proper supervision framework, that PSPs do not increase the charges for the corresponding types of other credit transfers in euro with the aim of circumventing that requirement. When identifying corresponding types of credit transfers, it should be possible to use	(10) PSUs are very sensitive to the level of charges for substitutable payment methods. The level of charges can therefore steer them towards or away from a given payment method. In those national markets where higher transaction-level charges for instant credit transfers in euro compared to charges for other types of credit transfers in euro have been applied, the uptake of instant credit transfers is low. That has prevented the attainment of the critical mass of instant credit transfers in euro that is necessary to realise the full network effects for PSPs and PSUs alike. All types of charges applied to payers and payees for the execution of instant credit transfers in euro, including per transaction charges or lump sum charges, should therefore not exceed such charges applied to the same PSU for corresponding types of other credit transfers in euro. When identifying corresponding types of credit transfers, it should be possible to use criteria including the PSU interface or the payment instrument used

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	to initiate the payment, customer status and, where relevant, whether the payment is national or cross-border.	criteria including the PSU interface or the payment instrument used to initiate the payment, customer status and, where relevant, whether the payment is national or cross-border.	to initiate the payment, customer status, additional features or services, and, where relevant, whether the payment is national or cross-border.
20a		(10a) As an additional safeguard against fraud, PSPs should allow PSUs the possibility of setting a maximum amount for instant credit transfers in euro. Payers' PSPs should not execute instant credit transfers where a payment order exceeds that maximum amount. PSUs should be able to modify the maximum amount at any time prior to the initiation of an instant credit transfer.	
20b			(10a) Ubiquitous instant credit transfers in euro offer opportunities for PSPs to develop new payment solutions, such as mobile payment applications, facilitating the use of euro instant credit transfers for payments at POI. Such payment solutions may include additional features or services offered to payers and payees, such as payment initiation, dispute resolution, refunds, and others. PSPs should be able to decide on the charges for such additional features on top of the underlying instant credit transfer. An instant credit transfer-based payment solution encompassing additional features or services should not be considered to be of corresponding nature to a non-instant credit

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			transfer offered without the same additional features and services attached. However, it should be ensured that from the PSU's perspective it is not more expensive to send or receive an instant credit transfer in euro than it is to send or receive a non-instant credit transfer in euro provided with the same additional features and services. In particular, PSPs offering different variants of a payment solution where the only distinguishing characteristic between them would be the use of instant credit transfers in one and non-instant in the other, should ensure that the total charge for the variant based on euro instant credit transfer is not higher than the charge for the variant based on non-instant euro credit transfers.
21	(11) Security of instant credit transfers in euro is fundamental for increasing PSUs' confidence in such services and ensuring their use. Payers intending to send a credit transfer to a given payee may, as a result of fraud or error, provide a payment account identifier which does not correspond to an account held by that payee. Under Directive (EU) 2015/2366 of the European Parliament and of the Council ¹ , the only determinant of the correct execution of the transaction with respect to the payee is the unique identifier, and PSPs are not required to verify the name of the payee. In the case of instant credit	(11) Security of instant credit transfers in euro, both regular and instant, is fundamental for increasing PSUs' confidence in such services and ensuring their use. Therefore, PSPs should have in place robust and up-to-date fraud detection and prevention measures, with a certain degree of flexibility in defining the measures that are most suitable to deal with new challenges. Payers intending to send a credit transfer to a given payee may, as a result of fraud or error, provide a payment account identifier which does not correspond to an account held by that payee. Under Directive (EU) 2015/2366 of the European Parliament and of the Council ¹ , the only determinant of the correct execution of the	(11) Security of instant credit transfers in euro is fundamental for increasing PSUs' confidence in such services and ensuring their use. Payers intending to send a credit transfer to a given payee may, as a result of fraud or error, provide a payment account identifier which does not correspond to an account held by that payee. Under Directive (EU) 2015/2366 of the European Parliament and of the Council ¹ , the only determinant of the correct execution of the transaction with respect to the payee is the unique identifier, as defined in that Directive, and PSPs are not required to verify the name of the payee. In the

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transfers, there is not enough time for the payer to realise the occurrence of a fraud or error and to try to recover the funds before they are credited to the payee's account. PSPs should therefore verify whether there is any discrepancy between the unique identifier of the payee and the name of the payee provided by the payer, and notify the payer placing a payment order for an instant credit transfer in euro about any such discrepancies detected. To avoid undue frictions or delays in the processing of the transaction instantly, the payer's PSP should provide such notification within no more than a few seconds from the moment the payer provided the payee information. To allow the payer to decide whether to proceed with the intended transaction, the payer's PSP should provide such notification before the payer authorises

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1. Directive (EU) 2015/2366 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 on payment services in the internal market, amending Directives 2002/65/EC, 2009/110/EC and 2013/36/EU and Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010, and repealing Directive 2007/64/EC (OJ L 337, 23.12.2015, p. 35).

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transaction with respect to the payee is the unique identifier, and PSPs are not required to verify the name of the payee. In the case of Both for regular and instant credit transfers, there is not enough time for the payer to realise the occurrence of a fraud or error and to tryin case of fraud or error, it may not be possible for the payer to recover the funds before they are credited to the payee's account. PSPs operating in the Union should therefore, without charging the PSUs any additional charges or fees, provide a service to verify whether there is any discrepancy between the unique payment account identifier of the pavee and the name of the pavee provided by the payer, and notify. Where the PSP allows the payer place a payment order for an instant credit transfer by providing the payment account identifier and other data elements allowing to unambiguously identify the payee, such as a fiscal number, European unique identifiers (EUID) or legal entity identifiers (LEIs), PSPs should be able to perform the verification service based on such other data elements. The paver's PSP should notify the payer placing a payment order for a *credit transfer* in euro about any such discrepancies detected by the payee's PSP. To avoid undue frictions or delays in the processing of the transaction instantly, the payer's PSP should provide such notification within no more than a few seconds from the moment the payer provided the payee information. To allow the payer to decide whether to proceed with the intended transaction, the payer's PSP should provide such notification before the payer authorises the transaction.

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case of instant credit transfers, there is not enough time for the payer to realise the occurrence of a fraud or errorerrors and to try to recover the funds before they are credited to the pavee's account. PSPs should therefore *provide a service to* verify whether there is any discrepancy between the unique holder of the account identified by the payment account identifier specified in point (1)(a) of the Annex to Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 of the payee and the name of the payee provided by the payer. *In case of any* discrepancies detected, the PSP should-and notify the payer placing before the payer places a payment order for an instant credit transfer in euro about any such discrepancies detected. To avoid undue frictions friction or delays in the processing of the transaction instantly, the payer's PSP should provide such notification within no more than a few seconds from the moment the paver provided the pavee informationimmediately after receiving such a payment order. To allow the payer to decide whether to proceed with the intended transaction, the payer's PSP should provide such notification before the payer authorises the transaction. The service to verify whether there is any discrepancy between the holder of the account identified by the payment account identifier specified in point (1)(a) of the Annex to Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 does not prohibit the offering and use of other services for the purpose of verification of the payee. Certain instant credit transfer

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		1. Directive (EU) 2015/2366 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 on payment services in the internal market, amending Directives 2002/65/EC, 2009/110/EC and 2013/36/EU and Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010, and repealing Directive 2007/64/EC (OJ L 337, 23.12.2015, p. 35).	initiation solutions may be available to payers allowing them to place a payment order without inserting the payment account identifier specified in point (1)(a) of the Annex to Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 or the name of the payee, e.g. by using OR codes, services of payment initiation service providers or proxies such as telephone numbers or email addresses. Such data elements would be provided by the provider of that initiation solution. In such cases, there is a limited need for a service verifying the match between the payment account identifier specified in point (1)(a) of the Annex to Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 and the name of the payee since the risk of fraud or errors is significantly reduced. PSPs providing such initiation solutions should be liable to the payer for the correct identification of the payee to whom the instant credit transfer transaction has been requested by the payer. 1. Directive (EU) 2015/2366 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 on payment services in the internal market, amending Directives 2002/65/EC, 2009/110/EC and 2013/36/EU and Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010, and repealing Directive 2007/64/EC (OJ L 337, 23.12.2015, p. 35).
21a		(11a) Certain credit transfer initiation solutions may be available allowing payers to place a payment order by inserting only the payment	

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		account identifier, or even, as a result of the use of OR codes, services of payment initiation service providers or proxies such as telephone numbers or email addresses, without inserting the payment account identifier at all. PSPs providing such initiation solutions should be liable to the payer for the correct identification of the payee to whom the credit transfer transaction has been requested by the payer. Therefore, PSPs should maintain robust internal procedures supervised by national competent authorities in order to ensure correct identification of the payee.	
22	(12) Some attributes of the name of the payee to whose account the payer wishes to make an instant credit transfer may increase the likelihood of a discrepancy being detected by the PSP, including the presence of diacritics or different possible transliterations of names in different alphabets, differences between habitually used names and names indicated on formal identification documents in case of natural persons, or differences between commercial and legal names in case of legal persons. To avoid undue frictions in the processing of instant credit transfers in euro and facilitate the payer's decision on whether to proceed with the intended transaction, PSPs should indicate the degree of such discrepancy, including by indicating in the notification that there is 'no match' or 'close match'.	(12) Some attributes of the name of the payee to whose account the payer wishes to make an instanta credit transfer may increase the likelihood of a discrepancy being detected by the PSP, including the presence of diacritics or different possible transliterations of names in different alphabets, differences between habitually used names and names indicated on formal identification documents in case of natural persons, or differences between commercial and legal names in case of legal persons. To avoid undue frictions in the processing of instant credit transfers in euro and facilitate the payer's decision on whether to proceed with the intended transaction, PSPs should indicate the degree of such discrepancy match, including by indicating in the notification that there is 'no match' or 'close match'. In the case of a close match, PSPs should indicate to the payer the name of the payee associated to the payment account identifier provided by the payer.	(12) Some attributes of the name of the payee to whose account the payer wishes to make an instant credit transfer may increase the likelihood of a discrepancy being detected by the PSP, including the presence of diacritics or different possible transliterations of names in different alphabets, differences between habitually used names and names indicated on formal identification documents in case of natural persons, or differences between commercial and legal names in case of legal persons. To avoid undue <i>frictions friction</i> in the processing of instant credit transfers in euro and facilitate the payer's decision on whether to proceed with the intended transaction, PSPs should <i>indicate the degree of such discrepancy, including by indicating in the notification that there is 'no match' or 'close match' notify the payer of descrepancies</i>

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			. If the payer's PSP fails to provide accurate information regarding discrepancies, the PSU should have the right to claim compensation for damages suffered as a result of such non-compliance. If a claim araises from failure by the payee's PSP to provide correct information, the payer's PSP should have the right to a refund from the payee's PSP.
23	(13) Authorising a payment transaction where the PSP has detected a discrepancy and has notified that discrepancy to the PSU can result in the funds being transferred to an unintended payee. In such cases, PSPs should not be held liable for the execution of the transaction to an unintended payee, as laid down in Article 88 of Directive (EU) 2015/2366. PSPs should inform PSUs about the implications for PSP liability and PSU refunds rights of their choice to ignore the notified discrepancy. PSUs should be able to opt out from using that service at any time during their contractual relationship with the PSP. After opting out, PSUs should be able to opt in to again avail of the service.	(13) Authorising a payment transaction where the PSP has detected a discrepancy and has notified that discrepancy to the PSU can result in the funds being transferred to an unintended payee. In such cases, PSPs should not be held liable for the execution of the transaction to an unintended payee, as laid down in Article 88 of Directive (EU) 2015/2366. PSPs should inform PSUs about the implications for PSP liability and PSU refunds rights of their choice to ignore the notified discrepancy. PSUs should be able to opt out from using that service at any time during their contractual relationship with the PSP. After opting out, PSUs should be able to opt in to again avail of the service.	(13) Authorising a payment transaction where the PSP has detected a discrepancy and has notified that discrepancy to the PSU can result in the funds being transferred to an unintended payee. In such cases, PSPs should not be held liable for the execution of the transaction to an unintended payee, as laid down in Article 88 of Directive (EU) 2015/2366. PSPs should inform PSUs about the implications for PSP liability and PSU refunds rights of their choice to ignore the notified discrepancy. PSUs should be ableoffer PSUs that are not consumers or microenterprises to opt out from using that the verification service at any time during their contractual relationship with the PSP. After opting out, PSUs should be able to opt in to again avail of the service. PSPs should inform PSUs about the possibility to opt out from the service and the implications for PSP liability and PSU refunds rights of their choice to ignore the notified discrepancy.

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23a			(13a) A service to verify any discrepancy between the holder of the account identified by the payment account identifier of the payee's payment account and the name of the payee should be carried out in accordance with a Union-wide set of rules and standards, e.g. developed by the industry, in order to encourage a smooth and interoperable implementation. Such service should be provided free of charge to consumers and microenterprises for consumer protection reasons and in order to ensure consumer confidence in instant credit transfers. For PSUs that are not consumers or microenterprises Member States should be free to establish charging limits for such services at national level.
24	(14) It is of critical importance that PSPs effectively comply with their obligations stemming from Union sanctions against persons, bodies or entities that are subject to an asset freeze or a prohibition to make funds or economic resources available to it, or for its benefit, either directly or indirectly, pursuant to restrictive measures adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU (listed persons or entities). Union law, however, does not lay down rules on the procedure or tools to be used by PSPs to ensure their compliance with those obligations. PSPs thus apply various	(14) It is of critical importance that PSPs effectively comply with their obligations stemming from Union sanctions against—persons, bodies or entities that are subject to an asset freeze or a prohibition to make funds or economic resources available to it, or for its benefit, either directly or indirectly, pursuant to restrictive measures adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU (listed persons or entities). Union law, however, does not lay down rules on the procedure or tools to be used by PSPs to ensure their compliance with those obligations. PSPs thus apply various methods, based on their individual choice or on the guidance provided by the national authorities	(14) It is of critical importance that PSPs effectively comply with their obligations stemming from Union sanctions restrictive measures against—persons, bodies or entities that are subject to an asset freeze or a prohibition to make funds or economic resources available to it, or for its benefit, either directly or indirectly, pursuant to restrictive measures adopted in accordance with Article 215 of the Treaty of the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) ('TFEU (listed persons or entities')). Union law, however, does not lay down rules on the

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methods, based on their individual choice or on the guidance provided by the national authorities concerned. The practice of complying with obligations stemming from Union sanctions by screening the payer and the payee involved in each credit transfer transaction, either national or cross-border, leads to a very high number of credit transfers being flagged as potentially involving listed persons or entities. However, the large majority of such flagged transactions turn out, after verification, not to involve any such persons or entities. Due to the nature of instant credit transfers, it is impossible for PSPs to verify, within short time limits, such flagged transactions instantly and, as a result, they are rejected. That situation creates operational challenges for PSPs to offer instant credit transfers to their PSUs across the Union in a reliable and predictable way. To provide for greater legal certainty, increase the efficiency of PSPs' efforts to comply with their obligations stemming from Union sanctions in the context of instant credit transfers in euro, and to prevent unnecessary hindering of such transactions, PSPs should thus verify, at least daily, whether their PSUs are listed persons or entities, and should no longer apply transaction-based screening.

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			verification of PSUs is only related to listed persons or entities, leaving other kinds of restrictive measures or restrictive measures deriving from other regulatory frameworks outside of the scope of this Regulation.
25	(15) To prevent the initiation of instant credit transfers from payment accounts belonging to listed persons or entities and to immediately freeze funds sent to such accounts, PSPs should carry out verifications of their PSUs as soon as possible following the entry into force of a new restrictive measure adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU providing for asset freeze or prohibition of making funds or economic resources available, thus ensuring that PSPs comply with their obligations stemming from Union sanctions in an effective manner.	(15) To prevent the initiation of instant credit transfers from payment accounts belonging to listed persons or entities and to immediately freeze funds sent to such accounts, PSPs should carry out verifications of their PSUs as soon as possible following the entry into force of a new restrictive measure adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU providing for asset freeze or prohibition of making funds or economic resources available, thus ensuring that PSPs comply with their obligations stemming from Union sanctions in an effective manner.	(15) To prevent the initiation of instant credit transfers from payment accounts belonging to listed persons or entities and to immediately freeze funds sent to such payment accounts, PSPs should carry out verifications of their PSUs as soon as possible immediately following the entry into force of a new restrictive measure adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU providing for asset freeze or a prohibition of makingto make funds or economic resources available. This applies to all PSPs sending and receiving instant credit transfers, thus ensuring that all PSPs comply with their obligations stemming from Union sanctions restrictive measures in an effective manner. The obligation to periodically verify whether PSUs are listed persons or entities does not interfere with the PSPs' obligation to apply any other measures to ensure mitigation of risks in their operation, such as measures to comply with obligations arising from the anti-money laundering regulatory framework or measures to comply with restrictive measures to comply with restrictive measures other than asset freeze or a prohibition to make funds or economic resources available, or restrictive measures

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			that are not adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU.
25a		(15a) In order to make progress towards further harmonisation of industry practices to comply with Union and other applicable sanctions obligations throughout the Union, EBA and AMLA should prepare a joint report on potential methods for enabling PSPs that execute instant credit transfers to verify whether any of their PSUs are persons or entities designated on Union lists or national lists of Member States.	
26	(16) Failure of one PSP to carry out timely verifications of its PSUs could result in a failure of the other PSP involved in carrying out the same instant credit transfer transaction to freeze funds of a listed person or entity or not to make funds or economic resources available to such person or entity. PSPs that incur penalties for non-compliance with their obligations stemming from Union sanctions due to the failure of another PSP to carry out timely verifications of its PSUs should be compensated for those penalties by that PSP.	(16) Failure of one PSP to carry out timely verifications of its PSUs could result in a failure of the other PSP involved in carrying out the same instant credit transfer transaction to freeze funds of a listed person or entity or not to make funds or economic resources available to such person or entity. PSPs that incur penalties for non-compliance with their obligations stemming from Union sanctions due to the failure of another PSP to carry out timely verifications of its PSUs should be compensated for those penalties by that PSP.	(16) Failure of one PSP to carry out timely verifications of its PSUs could result in a failure of the other PSP involved in carrying out the same instant credit transfer transaction to freeze funds of a listed person or entity or not to make funds or economic resources available to such person or entity. PSPs that incur penalties for non-compliance with their obligations stemming from Union sanctions due to the failure of another PSP to carry out timely verifications of its PSUs should be compensated for those penalties by that PSP:deleted
27	(17) The infringements of this Regulation	(17) The infringements of this Regulation should be	(17) The infringements of this Regulation

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	should be subject to penalties, imposed by the competent authorities of the Member States. Such penalties should be effective, proportionate and dissuasive. To facilitate the mutual trust of PSPs and the relevant competent authorities in the uniform and thorough implementation of a harmonised approach to compliance with PSP obligations stemming from Union sanctions, it is in particular appropriate to harmonise across the Union the minimum levels for penalties for the infringement by PSPs of their obligations to verify whether their PSUs are listed persons or entities.	subject to penalties, imposed by the competent authorities of the Member States. Such penalties should be effective, proportionate and dissuasive. To facilitate the mutual trust of PSPs and the relevant competent authorities in the uniform and thorough implementation of a harmonised approach to compliance with PSP obligations stemming from Union sanctions, it is in particular appropriate to harmonise across the Union the minimum levels for penalties for the infringement by PSPs of their obligations to verify whether their PSUs are listed persons or entities.	should be subject to penalties, imposed by the competent authorities of the Member States. Such penalties should be effective, proportionate and dissuasive. To facilitate the mutual trust of PSPs and the relevant eompetent authorities in the uniform and thorough implementation of and can be of an administrative or criminal nature. To facilitate a harmonised approach to compliance with PSP obligations stemming from Union sanctions restrictive measures, it is in particular particularly appropriate to harmonise a mutual standard across the Union of the upper the minimum levels for penalties for the infringement by PSPs of their obligations to verify whether their PSUs are listed persons or entities. It should be possible to impose penalties not only on the legal person, the PSP, but also on natural persons in senior management and members of management bodies of the PSP.
28	(18) PSPs need sufficient time to meet the obligations laid down in this Regulation. It is therefore appropriate to introduce those obligations gradually, allowing PSPs a more efficient use of their resources. The obligation to offer the service of sending instant credit transfers should therefore apply later, preceded by the obligation to offer the service of receiving instant credit transfers, since the sending of instant credit transfers tends to be	(18) PSPs need sufficient time to meet the obligations laid down in this Regulation. It is therefore appropriate to introduce those obligations gradually, allowing PSPs a more efficient use of their resources. The obligation to offer the service of sending instant credit transfers should therefore apply later, preceded by the obligation to offer the service of receiving instant credit transfers, since the sending of instant credit transfers tends to be more costly and complex of the two services to implement	(18) PSPs need sufficient time to meet the obligations laid down in this Regulation. It is therefore appropriate to introduce those obligations gradually, allowing PSPs a more efficient use of their resources. The obligation to offer the service of sending instant credit transfers should therefore apply later, preceded by the obligation to offer the service of receiving instant credit transfers, since the sending of instant credit transfers tends to be

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more costly and complex of the two services to and therefore necessitates more time. The service of implement and therefore necessitates more notifying detected discrepancies between the name time. The service of notifying detected and payment account identifier of the payee to the discrepancies between the name and payment payer is only relevant for PSPs offering the service account identifier of the payee to the payer is of sending instant credit transfers. The obligation to only relevant for PSPs offering the service of offer that service should therefore apply from the sending instant credit transfers. The obligation same time as the obligation to offer the service of to offer that service should therefore apply sending instant credit transfers. The obligations from the same time as the obligation to offer related to charges and harmonised procedure to the service of sending instant credit transfers. ensure compliance with obligations stemming from Union sanctions should apply as soon as PSPs are The obligations related to charges and harmonised procedure to ensure compliance obliged to offer the service of receiving instant credit with obligations stemming from Union transfers. To allow PSPs located in Member States sanctions should apply as soon as PSPs are whose currency is not the euro to efficiently allocate obliged to offer the service of receiving instant the resources needed for the implementation of credit transfers. To allow PSPs located in instant credit transfers in euro, the obligations laid Member States whose currency is not the euro down in this Regulation should apply to such PSPs as of a later date than to PSPs located in Member to efficiently allocate the resources needed for the implementation of instant credit transfers States whose currency is the euro with the same in euro, the obligations laid down in this gradual approach for introducing various obligations Regulation should apply to such PSPs as of a as for PSPs located in the euro area. later date than to PSPs located in Member States whose currency is the euro with the same gradual approach for introducing various

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more costly and complex of the two services to implement and therefore necessitates more time. The service of notifying detected discrepancies between the name and payment account identifier of the payee to the payer is only relevant for PSPs offering the service of sending instant credit transfers. The obligation to offer that service should therefore apply from the same time as the obligation to offer the service of sending instant credit transfers. The obligations related to charges and harmonised procedure to ensure compliance with obligations stemming from Union restrictive measures sanctions should apply as soon as PSPs are obliged to offer the service of receiving instant credit transfers. To allow PSPs located in Member States whose currency is not the euro to efficiently allocate the resources needed for the implementation of instant credit transfers in euro, the obligations laid down in this Regulation should apply to such PSPs as of a later date than to PSPs located in Member States whose currency is the euro with the same gradual approach for introducing various obligations as for PSPs located in the euro area. If the euro is introduced as the currency of any such Member State before the expiry of those dates, the PSPs in that Member State should comply with this Regulation within one year after joining the euro area, but not earlier than the respective dates specified for PSPs in Member States whose currency is the euro and not later than the respective dates

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			specified for PSPs in Member States whose currency is not the euro.
28a			(18a) The Commission should submit a report to the European Parliament and to the Council evaluating the development of charges for payment accounts as well as for national and cross-border credit transfers and instant credit transfers in euro and in other currencies from the date of the Commission's legislative proposal, in order to monitor any effects of this Regulation on the pricing of accounts, credit transfers and instant credit transfers. The Commission should also evaluate the effectiveness of screening PSUs to verify whether a relevant PSU is a listed person or entity, to prevent unnecessary hindering of instant credit transfers.
29	(19) Under Article 3 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1230 of the European Parliament and of the Council ¹ , charges applied by a PSP located in a Member State whose currency is not the euro in respect of cross-border credit transfers in euro are to be the same as charges applied by that PSP in respect of national credit transfers in the national currency of that Member State. In situations where such a PSP applies higher charges for national instant	(19) Under Article 3 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1230 of the European Parliament and of the Council ¹ , charges applied by a PSP located in a Member State whose currency is not the euro in respect of crossborder credit transfers in euro are to be the same as charges applied by that PSP in respect of national credit transfers in the national currency of that Member State. In situations where such a PSP applies higher charges for national instant credit transfers in the national currency than for national	(19) Under Article 3 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1230 of the European Parliament and of the Council ¹ , charges applied by a PSP located in a Member State whose currency is not the euro in respect of cross-border credit transfers in euro are to be the same as charges applied by that PSP in respect of national credit transfers in the national currency of that Member State. In situations where such a PSP applies higher charges for national instant

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	credit transfers in the national currency than for national non-instant credit transfers in the national currency, and therefore also higher charges than for cross-border non-instant credit transfers in euro, the level of charges that such a PSP would be required to apply under Article 3 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1230 in respect of cross-border instant credit transfers in euro would be higher than charges for cross-border non-instant credit transfers in euro. In such situations, to avoid conflicting requirements and taking into account the key objective of steering PSUs towards instant credit transfers in euro, it is appropriate to require that charges applied to payers and payees for cross-border instant credit transfers in euro do not exceed the charges applied for cross-border non-instant credit transfers in euro. 1. Regulation (EU) 2021/1230 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 July 2021 on cross-border payments in the Union (OJ L 274, 30.7.2021, p. 20).	non-instant credit transfers in the national currency, and therefore also higher charges than for cross-border non-instant credit transfers in euro, the level of charges that such a PSP would be required to apply under Article 3 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1230 in respect of cross-border instant credit transfers in euro would be higher than charges for cross-border non-instant credit transfers in euro. In such situations, to avoid conflicting requirements and taking into account the key objective of steering PSUs towards instant credit transfers in euro, it is appropriate to require that charges applied to payers and payees for cross-border instant credit transfers in euro do not exceed the charges applied for cross-border non-instant credit transfers in euro. 1. Regulation (EU) 2021/1230 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 July 2021 on cross-border payments in the Union (OJ L 274, 30.7.2021, p. 20).	credit transfers in the national currency than for national non-instant credit transfers in the national currency, and therefore also higher charges than for cross-border non-instant credit transfers in euro, the level of charges that such a PSP would be required to apply under Article 3 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1230 in respect of cross-border instant credit transfers in euro would be higher than charges for cross-border non-instant credit transfers in euro. In such situations, to avoid conflicting requirements and taking into account the key objective of steering PSUs towards instant credit transfers in euro, it is appropriate to require that charges applied to payers and payees for cross-border instant credit transfers in euro do not exceed the charges applied for cross-border non-instant credit transfers in euro. 1. Regulation (EU) 2021/1230 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 July 2021 on cross-border payments in the Union (OJ L 274, 30.7.2021, p. 20).
30	(20) Regulations (EU) No 260/2012 and (EU) 2021/1230 should therefore be amended accordingly.	(20) Regulations (EU) No 260/2012 and (EU) 2021/1230 <i>and Directives 98/26/EC and</i> 2014/92/EU should therefore be amended accordingly.	(20) Regulations (EU) No 260/2012 and (EU) 2021/1230 should therefore be amended accordingly.
31	(21) Any processing of personal data in the	(21) Any processing of personal data in the context	(21) Any processing of personal data in the

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	context of providing instant credit transfers, or the service detecting and notifying discrepancies between the name and payment account identifier of a payee, as well as verifying whether PSUs are listed persons or entities should be in line with the Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council ¹ . Processing of the names and the payment account identifiers of natural persons is proportionate and necessary to prevent fraudulent transactions, detect errors and ensure the compliance with restrictive measures adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU providing for asset freeze or prohibition of making funds or economic resources available. 1. Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data.	of providing instant credit transfers, or the service detecting and notifying discrepancies between the name and payment account identifier of a payee, as well as verifying whether PSUs are listed persons or entities should be in line with the Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council¹. Processing of the names and the payment account identifiers of natural persons is proportionate and necessary to prevent fraudulent transactions, detect errors and ensure the compliance with restrictive measures adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU providing for asset freeze or prohibition of making funds or economic resources available. 1. Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data.	context of providing instant credit transfers, or the service detecting and notifying discrepancies between the name and payment account identifier of a payee, as well as verifying whether PSUs are listed persons or entities should be in line with *the** Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council¹. Processing of the names and the payment account identifiers of natural persons is proportionate and necessary to prevent fraudulent transactions, detect errors and ensure the compliance with restrictive measures adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU providing for asset freeze or prohibition *of makingto make* funds or economic resources available. 1. Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, *and** repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation) (OJ L 119, 4.5.2016, p. 1).
32	(22) Since the objectives of this Regulation, namely to provide the necessary uniform rules for cross-border instant credit transfers in euro at Union level and to increase the overall uptake of instant credit transfers in euro, cannot be sufficiently achieved by Member States because they cannot impose obligations on PSPs located in other Member States, but can rather, by reason of scale, be better	(22) Since the objectives of this Regulation, namely to provide the necessary uniform rules for cross-border instant credit transfers in euro at Union level and to increase the overall uptake of instant credit transfers in euro, cannot be sufficiently achieved by Member States because they cannot impose obligations on PSPs located in other Member States, but can rather, by reason of scale, be better achieved at Union level, the Union may adopt measures, in	(22) Since the objectives of this Regulation, namely to provide the necessary uniform rules for cross-border instant credit transfers in euro at Union level and to increase the overall uptake of instant credit transfers in euro, cannot be sufficiently achieved by <i>the</i> Member States because they cannot impose obligations on PSPs located in other Member States, but can rather, by reason of scale <i>and effects of</i>

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	achieved at Union level, the Union may adopt measures, in accordance with the principle of subsidiarity as set out in Article 5 of the Treaty on European Union. In accordance with the principle of proportionality as set out in that Article, this Regulation does not go beyond what is necessary in order to achieve its objectives.	accordance with the principle of subsidiarity as set out in Article 5 of the Treaty on European Union. In accordance with the principle of proportionality as set out in that Article, this Regulation does not go beyond what is necessary in order to achieve its objectives.	the action, be better achieved at Union level, the Union may adopt measures, in accordance with the principle of subsidiarity as set out in Article 5 of the Treaty on European Union. In accordance with the principle of proportionality as set out in that Article, this Regulation does not go beyond what is necessary in order to achieve its those objectives.
33	(23) The European Data Protection Supervisor was consulted in accordance with Article 42(1) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council¹ and delivered an opinion on [XX XX 2022]², 1. Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC (Text with EEA relevance.), (OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 39–98). 2. OJ C [], [], p. [].	(23) The European Data Protection Supervisor was consulted in accordance with Article 42(1) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council¹ and delivered an opinion on [XX XX 2022]², 1. Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC (Text with EEA relevance.), (OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 39–98). 2. OJ C [], [], p. [].	(23) The European Data Protection Supervisor was consulted in accordance with Article 42(1) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council¹ and delivered an opinion on [XX XX 2022]², 1. Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC (Text with EEA relevance.), (OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 39–98). 2. OJ C [], [], p. [].
34	HAVE ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:	HAVE ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:	HAVE ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:
35	Article 1 Amendments to Regulation (EU) No 260/2012	Article 1 _Amendments to Regulation (EU) No 260/2012	Article 1 Amendments to Regulation (EU) No 260/2012

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36	Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 is amended as follows:	Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 is amended as follows:	Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 is amended as follows:
37	(1) Article 2 is amended as follows:	(1) Article 2 is amended as follows:	(1) Article 2 is amended as follows:
38	(a) the following points (1a) to (1d) are inserted:	(a) the following points (1a) to (1d1da) are inserted:	(a) the following points (1a) to (1d) are inserted:
39	(1a) 'instant credit transfer' means a credit transfer which meets all of the following conditions:	(1a) 'instant credit transfer' means a credit transfer which meets all of the following conditions:	(1a) 'instant credit transfer' means a credit transfer which meets all executed immediately, regardless of the following conditions: day of the week or hour;
40	(a) the time of receipt of the payment order for such credit transfer is the moment when the payer instructs his or her PSP to execute that credit transfer, regardless of the day or hour;	(a) the time of receipt of the payment order for such credit transfer is the moment when the payer 's PSP receives the payment order given by the PSU instructs his or her PSP to execute that credit transfer, regardless of the day or hour;	(a) the time of receipt of the payment order for such credit transfer is the moment when the payer instructs his or her PSP to execute that eredit transfer, regardless of the day or hour; deleted
41	(b) the payment order for such credit transfer is immediately processed by the payer's PSP,	(b) the payment order for such credit transfer is immediately processed by the payer's PSP,	(b) the payment order for such credit transfer is immediately processed by the payer's PSP,

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	regardless of the day or hour;	regardless of the day or hour;	regardless of the day or hour; deleted
42	(c) the payee's payment account is credited with the amount transferred within 10 seconds after the time of receipt of the payment order;	(c) the payee's payment account is credited with the amount transferred within 10 seconds after the time of receipt of the payment order;	(c) the payee's payment account is credited with the amount transferred within 10 seconds after the time of receipt of the payment order; deleted
43	(d) the credit value date for the payee's payment account is the same date as the date on which the payee's payment account is credited with the amount transferred;	(d) the credit value date for the payee's payment account is the same date as the date on which the payee's payment account is credited with the amount transferred;	(d) the credit value date for the payee's payment account is the same date as the date on which the payee's payment account is eredited with the amount transferred; deleted
44	(1b) 'PSU interface' means any method, device or procedure through which the payer can place a paper-based or electronic payment order to its PSP for a credit transfer, including online banking, mobile banking application, automated teller machine, or in any other way on the premises of the PSP;	(1b) 'PSU interface' means anya method, device or procedure through which the payer can place a paper-based or electronic payment order to its PSP for a credit transfer, including online banking, mobile banking application, automated teller machine, or in any other way facility on the premises of the PSP;	(1b) 'PSU interfacepayment initiation channel' means any method, device or procedure through which the payer can place a paper-based or electronic payment order to its PSP for a credit transfer, including online banking, mobile banking application, automated teller machine, or in any other way on the premises of the PSP;
44a		(1ba) 'payment account' means a payment account as defined in Article 4, point (12), of Directive (EU) 2015/2366 of the European Parliament and of the Council*;	

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45	(1c) 'payment account identifier' means a unique identifier as defined in Article 4, point (33), of Directive (EU) 2015/2366 of the European Parliament and of the Council*1;	(1c) 'payment account identifier' means a unique identifier as defined in Article 4, point (33), of Directive (EU) 2015/2366 of the European Parliament and of the Council*;	(1c) 'payment account identifier' means a unique identifier as defined in Article 4, point (33), of Directive (EU) 2015/2366 of the European Parliament and of the Council*; deleted
45a		(1ca) 'name of the payee' means, in respect of a natural person, the name and surname and, in respect of a legal person, the commercial or legal name;	
46	(1d) 'listed persons or entities' means natural or legal persons, bodies or entities that are subject to an asset freeze or a prohibition to make funds or economic resources available to it, or for its benefit, either directly or indirectly, pursuant to restrictive measures adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU;	(1d) 'listed persons or entities' means natural or legal persons, bodies or entities that are subject to an asset freeze or a prohibition to make funds or economic resources available to it, or for its benefit, either directly or indirectly, pursuant to restrictive measures adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU;	(<i>Idlc</i>) 'listed persons or entities' means natural or legal persons, bodies or entities that are subject to an asset freeze or a prohibition to make funds or economic resources available to it, or for its benefit, either directly or indirectly, pursuant to restrictive measures adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU;
46a		(1da) 'legal entity identifier' or 'LEI' means a unique alphanumeric reference code based on the ISO 17442 standard assigned to a legal entity;	
47			<u>deleted</u>

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48	*1 Directive (EU) 2015/2366 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 on payment services in the internal market, amending Directives 2002/65/EC, 2009/110/EC and 2013/36/EU and Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010, and repealing Directive 2007/64/EC (OJ L 337, 23.12.2015, p. 35).;	*1 Directive (EU) 2015/2366 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 on payment services in the internal market, amending Directives 2002/65/EC, 2009/110/EC and 2013/36/EU and Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010, and repealing Directive 2007/64/EC (OJ L 337, 23.12.2015, p. 35).;	**I — Directive (EU) 2015/2366 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 on payment services in the internal market, amending Directives 2002/65/EC, 2009/110/EC and 2013/36/EU and Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010, and repealing Directive 2007/64/EC (OJ L 337, 23.12.2015, p. 35).; deleted
49	(b) point (22) is replaced by the following:	(b) point (22) is replaced by the following:	(b) point (22) is replaced by the following:
50	(22) 'retail payment system' means a payment system the main purpose of which is to process, clear or settle credit transfers or direct debits which are primarily of small amount, and that is not a large-value payment system;;	(22) 'retail payment system' means a payment system the main purpose of which is to process, clear or settle credit transfers or direct debits which are primarily of small amount, and that is not a large-value payment system;;	(22) 'retail payment system' means a payment system the main purpose of which is to process, clear or settle <i>a large number of</i> credit transfers or direct debits which are primarily of small amount, and that is not a large-value payment system; ';
51	(2) the following Articles 5a to 5d are inserted:	(2) the following Articles 5a to 5d are inserted:	(2) the following Articles 5a to 5d are inserted:
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	Article 5a	Article 5a	'Article 5a Article 5a
53	Instant credit transfer transactions	Instant credit transfer transactions	Instant credit transfer transactions
54	PSPs that offer to their PSUs a payment service of sending and receiving credit transfers shall offer to all their PSUs a payment service of sending and receiving instant credit transfers.	1. PSPs that offer to their PSUs a payment service of sending and receiving credit transfers shall offer to all their PSUs a payment service of sending and receiving instant credit transfers.	1. PSPs that offer to their PSUs a payment service of sending and receiving credit transfers in euro shall offer to all their PSUs a payment service of sending and receiving instant credit transfers in euro.
54a			PSPs as referred to in the first subparagraph shall ensure that all payment accounts that are reachable for credit transfers are also reachable for instant credit transfers 24 hours a day and on any calendar day.
55	However, this paragraph shall not apply to electronic money institutions as defined in Article 2, point (1), of Directive 2009/110/EC and payment institutions as defined in Article 4, point (4), of Directive (EU) 2015/2366.	deleted	However, this paragraph shall not apply to electronic money institutions as defined in <i>Article 2</i> , point (1) <i>of Article 2</i> , of Directive 2009/110/EC and payment institutions as defined in <i>Article 4</i> , point (4) <i>of Article 4</i> , of Directive (EU) 2015/2366 <i>of the European Parliament and of the Council*</i> .
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		The ECB and national central banks, when not acting in their capacity as monetary authorities or other public authorities, may limit their offer to PSUs of a payment service of sending instant credit transfers in euro to the period of time during which they receive and send non-instant credit transfers in euro.	The ECB and national central banks, when not acting in their capacity as monetary authorities or other public authorities, may limit the offering of a payment service of sending instant credit transfers in euro to the period of time during which they receive and send non-instant credit transfer transactions in euro. Also, PSPs holding accounts denominated in a currency other than euro shall only be obliged to offer the service of sending instant credit transfers in euro from these accounts during the time when such PSPs receive and send non-instant credit transfer transactions in euro to or from such accounts.
55b			2. By derogation from the second subparagraph of Article 78(1) of Directive (EU) 2015/2366, the time of receipt of a payment order for an instant credit transfer shall be the moment it has been received by the payer's PSP, regardless of the day of the week or hour.
55c			By way of derogation from Article 78(2) of Directive (EU) 2015/2366, if the payer and the payer's PSP agree that execution of the payment order shall take place at a specific time on a specific day or the moment when the payer has put funds at the PSP's disposal,

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			the time of receipt is deemed to be the agreed time, regardless of the day of the week or hour.
55d			By way of derogation from the first and second subparagraph of this paragraph, the time of receipt shall be:
55e			(i) for a non-electronic payment order, the moment when the payer's PSP has transferred the payment information into an electronic payment order;
55f			(ii) for an individual payment order belonging to a package as referred to in paragraph 4, where the conversion of that package into individual payment transactions is carried out by the payer's PSP, the moment when the ensuing payment transaction has been unpacked by the payer's PSP. The payer's PSP shall start the conversion of the package immediately after it has been received;
55g		1a. Where a payment order for an instant credit transfer in euro is submitted from a payment	(iii) for a payment order from payment accounts denominated in currencies other

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		account that is not denominated in euro, the time of receipt shall be the moment when the PSP, immediately upon receiving that payment order, converts the amount of transaction from the currency in which the payment account is denominated into euro.	than euro, the moment when the amount of the transaction has been exchanged into euro.
55h		Ib. Where a package of multiple payment orders for instant credit transfers in euro has been submitted by a payer, the payer's PSP shall upon receipt immediately begin to unpack that package. The time of receipt of an individual payment order submitted as part of a package shall be the moment when the ensuing payment transaction has been unpacked, which shall occur as soon as possible after the order has been submitted by the payer to its PSP.	For payment orders referred to in points (i) and (ii) of the third subparagraph, the time of receipt shall be deemed to be as soon as possible after receiving those payment orders submitted to the payer's PSP by the payer. For payment orders referred to in point (iii), currency exchange shall take place immediately after receiving the payment order.
55i		Ic. In the case of paper-based payment orders for instant credit transfers in euro, the time of receipt of such an order shall be the moment when the payer's PSP has transposed the payment order information into its internal system, which shall occur as soon as possible after the order has been submitted by the payer to its PSP. cf Council line 55e	
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	2. When carrying out instant credit transfers, PSPs shall, in addition to the requirements set out in Article 5, comply with the following requirements:	2. When carrying out instant credit transfers, PSPs shall, in addition to the requirements set out in Article 5, comply with the following requirements:	23 . When carrying out instant credit transfers in euro , PSPs shall, in addition to the requirements set out in Article 5, comply with the following requirements:
57	(a) they shall ensure that payers are able to place a payment order for an instant credit transfer through the same PSU interfaces as the ones through which those payers can place a payment order for other credit transfers;	(a) they shall ensure that payers are able to place a payment order for an instant credit transfer through all of the same PSU interfaces as the ones through which those payers can place a payment order for other credit transfers;	(a) they shall ensure that payers are able to place a payment order for an instant credit transfer through the same <u>payment initiation</u> <u>channels PSU interfaces</u> as the ones through which those payers can place a payment order for other credit transfers;
58	(b) after receiving a payment order for an instant credit transfer, they shall immediately verify whether all the necessary conditions for processing the payment are met and whether the necessary funds are available, reserve the amount on the account of the payer and instantly send the payment transaction to the payee's PSP;	(b) after receiving a payment order for an instant credit transfer, theythe payer's PSP shall immediately verify whether all the necessary conditions for processing the payment are met and whether the necessary funds are available, reserve the amount on the account of the payer-and, instantly send the payment transaction to the payee's PSP, and provide, free of charge, the payer, as well as, where applicable, the intermediary payment initiation service provider, with confirmation of an executed or rejected instant credit transfer within 10 seconds of the time of receipt of the payment order;	(b) by way of derogation from Article 83 of Directive (EU) 2015/2366, after receiving a payment order for an instant credit transfer, the payer's PSP-they shall immediately verify whether all the necessary conditions for processing the payment are met and whether the necessary funds are available, reserve or debit the amount on from the account of the payer and instantly send the payment transaction to the payee's PSP;
59	(c) they shall ensure that all payment accounts they maintain are reachable for instant credit transfers 24 hours a day and on any calendar	(c) they shall ensure that all payment accounts they maintainthat are reachable for credit transfers are reachable for instant credit transfers 24 hours a day	(c) they shall ensure that all payment accounts they maintain are reachable for instant credit transfers 24 hours a day and on

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	day;	and on any calendar day;	any calendar day; deleted
60	(d) after having received an instant credit transfer, they shall immediately make the amount of that transaction available on the payee's payment account.	(d) after having received an instant credit transfer, they the payee's PSP shall immediately make the amount of that transaction available on the payee's payment account in the currency in which the payee's account is denominated.	(d)_ after having received an instant credit transfer, they shall immediately make the amount of that transaction available on the payee's payment account.deleted
60a			(c) by way of derogation from Articles 83 and 87 (2) of Directive (EU) 2015/2366, the payee's PSP shall ensure that the amount of the transaction is credited and made available on the payee's payment account within 10 seconds from the time of receipt. The payee's PSP shall immediately confirm the completion of the transaction to the payer's PSP;
60Ь			(d) by way of derogation from Article 87 (1) of Directive (EU) 2015/2366, the payee's PSP shall ensure that the credit value date for the payee's payment account is the same date as the date on which the payee's payment account is credited by the payee's PSP with the amount transferred; and
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			(e) the payer's PSP shall inform the payer within 10 seconds from the time of receipt whether the amount transferred has been credited to the payee's payment account or not.
60d		2a. PSPs shall offer their PSUs the possibility of determining a maximum amount that is able to be transferred by means of instant credit transfer. PSPs shall ensure that PSUs are able to modify that maximum amount at any time prior to the initiation of a payment order for an instant credit transfer. Where a PSU's payment order for an instant credit transfer exceeds the maximum amount, the payer's PSP shall not execute the instant credit transfer and shall notify the PSU thereof.	
61	3. When providing instant credit transfers in euro, PSPs shall offer to their PSUs the possibility to submit multiple payment orders as a package if they offer that possibility to their PSUs for other types of credit transfers.	3. When providing instant credit transfers in euro, PSPs shall offer to their PSUs the possibility to submit multiple payment orders as a package, without limit, if they offer that possibility to their PSUs for other types of credit transfers.	34. When providing instant credit transfers in euro, PSPs shall offer to their PSUs the possibility to submit multiple payment orders as a package if they offer that possibility to their PSUs for other types of credit transfers.
62	PSPs as referred to in paragraph 1 that are located in a Member State whose currency is the euro shall offer PSUs the service of receiving instant credit transfers in euro by [PO please insert the date = 6 months after the	4. PSPs as referred to in paragraph 1 that are located in a Member State whose currency is the euro shall offer PSUs the service of receiving instant credit transfers in euro by [PO please insert the date = 6 months after the date of entry into force of this	PSPs as referred to in paragraph 1 that are located in a Member State whose currency is the euro shall offer PSUs the service of receiving instant credit transfers in euro by [PO please insert the date = 6 months after the

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	date of entry into force of this Regulation], and the service of sending instant credit transfers in euro by [PO please insert the date = 12 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].	Regulation], and the service of sending instant credit transfers in euro by [PO please insert the date = 12 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation]. PSPs that are electronic money institutions as defined in Article 2, point (1), of Directive 2009/110/EC or payment institutions as defined in Article 4, point (4), of Directive (EU) 2015/2366 and that are located in a Member State whose currency is the euro shall offer PSUs the service of sending and receiving instant credit transfers in euro by [18 months after the date of entry into force of this amending Regulation].	date of entry into force of this Regulation], and the service of sending instant credit transfers in euro by [PO please insert the date = 12 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].deleted
63	PSPs as referred to in paragraph 1 located in a Member State whose currency is not the euro shall offer PSUs the service of receiving instant credit transfers in euro by[PO please insert the date = 30 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation], and the service of sending instant credit transfers in euro by[PO please insert the date = 36 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].	PSPs as referred to in paragraph 1 located in a Member State whose currency is not the euro shall offer PSUs the service of receiving instant credit transfers in euro by[PO please insert the date = 30 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation], and the service of sending instant credit transfers in euro by[PO please insert the date = 36 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].	PSPs as referred to in paragraph 1 located in a Member State whose currency is not the euro shall offer PSUs the service of receiving instant credit transfers in euro by[PO please insert the date = 30 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation], and the service of sending instant credit transfers in euro by[PO please insert the date = 36 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].deleted
64	Article 5b	Article 5b	Article 5b
65	Charges in respect of instant credit transfers	Charges in respect of instant credit transfers	Charges in respect of instant credit transfers

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66	1. Any charges applied by a PSP on payers and payees in respect of sending and receiving instant credit transfer transactions in euro shall not be higher than the charges applied by that PSP in respect of sending and receiving other, corresponding, credit transfer transactions in euro.	1. Any charges applied by a PSP on payers and payees in respect of sending and receiving instant credit transfer transactions in euro shall not be higher than the charges applied by that PSP in respect of sending and receiving other, corresponding, credit transfer transactions in euro.	1. Any charges applied by a PSP-on_to payers and payees in respect offor sending and receiving instant credit transfer transactions transfers in euro shall not be higher than the charges applied by that PSP in respect offor sending and receiving other, corresponding, credit transfer transactions transfers in euro.
66a		1a. PSPs shall not increase, directly or indirectly, their charges in respect of sending and receiving other, corresponding, credit transfer transactions in euro with the aim of circumventing paragraph 1.	
66b		Competent authorities may, where they suspect that a PSP is engaged in a circumvention practice referred to in the first subparagraph, request from that PSP any information they deem necessary to determine whether that PSP has engaged in such practice and shall take all necessary measures to ensure compliance by that PSP with this Article.	
66c		1b. EBA shall submit a report to the European Parliament, to the Council and to the Commission by [four years after the date of entry into force of this amending Regulation] on the impact of the application of paragraph 1 on the pricing of credit transfers and instant credit transfers. The	

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		Commission shall consider the results of that report and shall submit, where appropriate, a legislative proposal to the European Parliament and to the Council.	
66d			2. The verification of a payee service referred to in Article 5c shall be provided to consumers and micro-enterprises free of charge.
67	PSPs located in a Member State whose currency is the euro shall comply with this Article by [PO please insert the date = 6 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].	2. PSPs located in a Member State whose currency is the euro shall comply with this Article by [PO please insert the date = 6 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].	PSPs located in a Member State whose currency is the euro shall comply with this Article by[PO please insert the date = 6 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].deleted
68	PSPs located in a Member State whose currency is not the euro shall comply with this Article by[PO please insert the date = 30 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].	PSPs located in a Member State whose currency is not the euro shall comply with this Article by[PO please insert the date = 30 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].	PSPs located in a Member State whose currency is not the euro shall comply with this Article by [PO please insert the date = 30 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation]. deleted
69	Article 5c	Article 5c	Article 5c
70	Discrepancies between the name and payment	Discrepancies between the name and payment	Discrepancies between the name and payment

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	account identifier of a payee in case of instant credit transfers	account identifier Verification of a payee in the case of instant credit transfers	account identifier Verification of a payee in case of instant credit transfers
71	With regard to instant credit transfers, a payer's PSP shall verify whether the payment account identifier and the name of the payee provided by the payer match. Where they do not match, that PSP shall notify the payer of any discrepancies detected and the degree of any such discrepancy.	1. With regard to regular and instant credit transfers, a payer's PSP shall verify whether the payment account identifier and the name of the payee provided by the payer match. Where they do not match, that Such verification shall be provided free of charge to PSUs and regardless of the PSU interface used by the payer to place a payment order for an instant credit transfer. The payer's PSP shall immediately notify the payer of any discrepancies detected and the degree of any such discrepancy. match as follows:	1. With regard to electronic instant credit transfers, where the payee's payment account identifier specified in point (1)(a) of the Annex and name have been inserted in the payment order by the payer, the payer's PSP shall provide a service for matching the payment account identifier with the payee's name. On the a-payer's PSP's request the payee's PSP shall verify whether the payment account identifier and the name of the payee provided by the payer match. Where they do not match, the payer's that PSP shall notify the payer of any discrepancies detected and the degree of any such discrepancy, based on information provided by the payee's PSP.
71a		(a) 'match', meaning that no discrepancy is detected between the payment account identifier and the name of the payee;	
71b		(b) 'close match', meaning that the name of the payee almost matches with the payment account identifier provided. In such cases, the PSP shall indicate to the payer the name of the payee associated to the payment account identifier	

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		provided;	
71c		(c) 'no match', meaning that the name and the payment account identifier do not match. If the payment account identifier relates to the payment account of a natural person, the PSP shall not reveal the name of the payee associated to the payment account;	
71d		(d) 'unavailable', meaning that the payment account does not exist or could not be verified.	
72	PSPs shall provide that service immediately after the payer provided to its PSP the payment account identifier of the payee and the name of the payee, and before the payer is offered the possibility to authorise the instant credit transfer.	PSPs shall provide that service immediately after the payer provided to its PSP the payment account identifier of the payee and the name of the payee, and before the payer is offered the possibility to authorise the instant credit transfer.	PSPs shall provide that service immediately after the payer provided to its PSP the payment account identifier of the payee and the and name of the payee, and before the payer is offered the possibility to authorise the instant credit transfer.
72a		Where a payee is a legal entity and a PSU interface allows the payer to place a payment order by providing the payment account identifier of the payee, together with data elements other than the name of the payee that unambiguously identify the payee, such as a fiscal number, a European unique identifier as referred to in Article 16(1), second	

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		subparagraph, of Directive (EU) 2017/1132, or an LEI, and where such data elements are available to the payee's PSP, the payer's PSP shall fulfil the obligation in the first subparagraph of this paragraph based on those data elements.	
72b		1a. By way of derogation from paragraph 1, where a PSP provides a PSU interface that does not require the payer to insert both the payment account identifier and the name of the payee, the PSP shall ensure that the payee designated by the payer is unambiguously identified. For that purpose, the payer shall have the right to validate the identity of the payee provided by the PSP before authorising the instant credit transfer.	
72c		Where the payment account identifier or the name of the payee is provided on behalf of the payer by a payment initiation service provider as defined in Article 4, point (18), of Directive (EU) 2015/2366, that payment initiation service provider shall ensure that the information concerning the payee is correct.	
72d		PSPs and payment initiation service providers shall, for the purposes of the first and second subparagraphs respectively, maintain robust internal procedures to ensure that the information	

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			concerning payees is correct. Each Member State shall designate one or more national competent authorities with the power to investigate the robustness of such internal procedures.	
72	2e		Where a payment account identified through a payment account identifier provided by the payer is held on behalf of multiple payees, additional information allowing the payee to be unambiguously identified may be provided by the payer to the payer's PSP. The payee's PSP maintaining accounts on behalf of multiple payees shall, at the request of the payer's PSP, confirm whether the payee indicated by the payer is among the multiple payees on whose behalf the payment account is maintained.	
72	2f		1b. A PSP shall not be held liable for the execution of an instant credit transfer in euro to an unintended payee in accordance with Article 88 of Directive (EU) 2015/2366 provided that it has fulfilled the requirements of paragraph 1 or paragraph 1a of this Article.	
7	73	2. PSPs shall ensure that the detection and notification of a discrepancy as referred to in paragraph 1 does not prevent payers from authorising the instant credit transfer	2. PSPs shall ensure that the detection and notification of a discrepancy as referred to in paragraph 1 does not prevent payers from authorising the <u>regular or</u> instant credit transfer concerned.	2. PSPs shall ensure that the detection and notification of a discrepancy as referred to in <i>the first subparagraph of</i> paragraph 1 does not prevent payers from authorising the instant

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	concerned.		credit transfer concerned.
73a		2a. PSPs shall inform their PSUs of the implications for PSP liability and PSU refund rights resulting from a decision by PSUs to ignore a detected and notified discrepancy as referred to in paragraph 1.	
74	PSPs shall ensure that PSUs have the right to opt out from receiving the service referred to in paragraph 1 and shall inform their PSUs of the means to express such opt-out right.	deleted	3. PSPs shall ensure that PSUs that are not consumers or micro-enterprises have the right to opt out from receiving the service referred to described in paragraph 1 and shall inform their PSUs of the means to express such optout right.
75	PSPs shall also ensure that PSUs that opted out from receiving the service referred to in paragraph 1, have the right to opt in to receive that service.	deleted	PSPs shall also ensure that PSUs that opted out from receiving the service referred to described in paragraph 1, have the right to opt in to receive that service.
76	4. PSPs shall inform their PSUs that authorising a transaction despite a detected and notified discrepancy or opting out from receiving the service referred to in paragraph 1 may lead to transferring the funds to a payment account not held by the payee	4. PSPs shall inform their PSUs that authorising a transaction despite a detected and notified discrepancy, <i>including in the form of a close match</i> as or opting out from receiving the service referred to in paragraph 1, point (b), may lead to transferring the funds to a payment account not held by the payee	4. PSPs shall inform their PSUs that authorising a transaction despite a detected and notified discrepancy or opting out from receiving the service referred to described in paragraph 1 may lead to transferring the funds to a payment account not held by the payee

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	indicated by the payer. PSPs shall provide that information at the same time as the notification of discrepancies referred to in paragraph 1 or when PSU opts out from receiving the service referred to in that paragraph.	indicated by the payer. PSPs shall provide that information at the same time as the notification of discrepancies referred to in paragraph 1 or when PSU opts out from receiving the service referred to in that paragraph.	indicated by the payer. PSPs shall provide that information at the same time as the notification of discrepancies <u>as</u> referred to in paragraph 1 or when <u>a PSU</u> , <u>which is not a consumer or microenterprise</u> , <u>PSU</u> opts out from receiving the service <u>referred to in that</u> <u>paragraph described in paragraph 1</u> .
77	5. The service referred to in paragraph 1 shall be provided to the payer regardless of the PSU interface used by the payer to place a payment order for an instant credit transfer.	54a. Where the payer's PSP fails to provide information about a discrepancy to the payer in accordance with The service referred to in paragraph 1, it shall be provided compensate the payer for any financial damage caused to the payer regardless of the PSU interface used by the payer to place a by that failure. Where such failure occurs because the payee's PSP has failed to provide information about a discrepancy regarding the payment order for an instant credit transfer account identifier or the name of the payee, the payee's PSP shall compensate the payer's PSP for any financial damage caused to the payer's PSP by that failure.	5. Where the payer's PSP fails to provide accurate information to the payer regarding the matching of the payment account identifier specified in point (1)(a) of the Annex with the name of the payee, it The service referred to in paragraph 1 shall be provided refund the payer the transferred amount of the authorised payment transaction and, where applicable, restore the debited payment account to the state in which it would have been had the authorised payment transaction not taken place. Any further financial damage caused to the payer regardless of the PSU interface used by due to the failure may be compensated in accordance with the law applicable to the contract concluded between the payer and its PSP. Where this occurs due to the failure of the payee's PSP to comply with its obligation under paragraph 1, the payee's PSP shall refund the financial damage caused to the payer's PSP to place a payment order for an instant credit transfer.

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78	PSPs located in a Member State whose currency is the euro shall comply with this Article by [PO please insert the date = 12 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].	6. PSPs located in a Member State whose currency is the euro shall comply with this Article by [PO please insert the date = 12 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].	PSPs located in a Member State whose eurrency is the euro shall comply with this Article by[PO please insert the date = 12 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].deleted
79	PSPs located in a Member State whose currency is not the euro shall comply with this Article by [PO please insert the date = 36 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].	PSPs located in a Member State whose currency is not the euro shall comply with this Article by[PO please insert the date = 36 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].	PSPs located in a Member State whose eurrency is not the euro shall comply with this Article by[PO please insert the date = 36 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation]. deleted
79a			6. This Article shall not apply to multiple payment orders as a package referred to in Article 5a(4).
80	Article 5d	Article 5d	Article 5d
81	Screening of PSUs with regard to Union sanctions in case of instant credit transfers	Screening of PSUs with regard to Union sanctions in case of instant credit transfers	Screening of PSUs with regard to Union sanctions to verify whether a relevant PSU is a listed person or entity in case of instant credit transfers
82	PSPs executing instant credit transfers shall	1. PSPs executing offering instant credit transfers	1. PSPs executing offering instant credit

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	verify whether any of their PSUs are listed persons or entities.	shall verify whether any of their PSUs are listed persons or entities.	transfers shall verify whether any of their PSUs are listed persons or entities.
83	PSPs shall carry out such verifications immediately after the entry into force of any new or amended restrictive measures adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU providing for asset freeze or prohibition of making funds or economic resources available , and at least once every calendar day.	PSPs shall carry out such verifications immediately after the entry into force of any new or amended restrictive measures adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU providing for asset freeze or prohibition of making funds or economic resources available, and at least once every calendar day.	PSPs shall carry out such verifications immediately after the entry into force of any new or amended restrictive measures adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU providing for asset freeze or prohibition of makingto make funds or economic resources available, and at least once every calendar day.
84	2. During the execution of an instant credit transfer, the payer's PSP and the payee's PSP involved in the execution of such transfer shall not verify whether the payer or the payee whose payment accounts are used for the execution of that instant credit transfer are listed persons or entities in addition to carrying out verifications under paragraph 1.	2. In addition to carrying out verifications under paragraph 1, during the execution of an instant credit transfer, the payer's PSP and the payee's PSP involved in the execution of such transfer shall not verify whether the payer or the payee whose payment accounts are used for the execution of that instant credit transfer are listed persons or entities subject to Union restrictive measures adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU that provide for an asset freeze or a prohibition on making funds or economic resources available to itin addition to carrying out verifications under paragraph 1.	2. During the execution of an instant credit transfer, the payer's PSP and the payee's PSP involved in the execution of such transfer shall not verify whether the payer or the payee whose payment accounts are used for the execution of that instant credit transfer are listed persons or entities in addition to carrying out verifications under paragraph 1.
84a		The first subparagraph of this paragraph shall be without prejudice to other restrictive measures that are not adopted in accordance with Article 215	This is without prejudice to other actions taken by PSPs in accordance with restrictive measures other than asset freeze or a

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		TFEU, to Union law related to the prevention of money laundering and terrorist financing and to any other applicable Union law.	prohibition to make funds or economic resources available to listed persons or entities, or restrictive measures that are not adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU or in accordance with risk-based requirements from anti-money laundering and counter terrorist financing obligations or other relevant obligations.
85	3. A PSP that has failed to carry out the verifications referred to in paragraph 1 and executes an instant credit transfer causing another PSP involved in the execution of that instant credit transaction to fail to freeze assets of listed persons or entities, or to make funds or economic resources available to such persons or entities, shall compensate the financial damage caused to the other PSP resulting from penalties imposed on that other PSP under restrictive measures adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU providing for asset freeze or prohibition of making funds or economic resources available.	3. A PSP that has failed to carry out the verifications referred to in paragraph 1 and executes an instant credit transfer causing another PSP involved in the execution of that instant credit transaction to fail to freeze assets of listed persons or entities, or to make funds or economic resources available to such persons or entities, shall compensate the financial damage caused to the other PSP resulting from penalties imposed on that other PSP under restrictive measures adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU providing for asset freeze or prohibition of making funds or economic resources available.	3. A PSP that has failed to carry out the verifications referred to in paragraph 1 and executes an instant credit transfer causing another PSP involved in the execution of that instant credit transaction to fail to freeze assets of listed persons or entities, or to make funds or economic resources available to such persons or entities, shall compensate the financial damage caused to the other PSP resulting from penalties imposed on that other PSP under restrictive measures adopted in accordance with Article 215 TFEU providing for asset freeze or prohibition of making funds or economic resources available deleted
86	4. PSPs shall comply with this Article by[PO please insert the date = 6 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].	4. PSPs shall comply with this Article by[PO please insert the date = 6 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].	4. PSPs shall comply with this Article by[PO please insert the date = 6 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].deleted ,

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86a		4a. EBA and AMLA shall prepare a joint report on potential methods for enabling PSPs that execute instant credit transfers to verify whether any of their PSUs are persons or entities designated on EU lists or national lists of Member States. Such methods may include the development of a single list aggregating persons and entities designated on Union and national lists.	
86b		EBA and AMLA shall submit the joint report on their findings to the European Parliament, to the Council and to the Commission by [6 months after the date of entry into force of this amending Regulation].	
86c		On the basis of that joint report, the Commission shall, where appropriate, submit a legislative proposal to the European Parliament and to the Council by [12 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].	
86d			_ <u>Article 5e</u>
86e			Periods for implementation of the

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			provisions on instant credit transfers
86f			1. PSPs located in a Member State whose currency is the euro shall offer the service of receiving instant credit transfers in euro in accordance with Article 5a and comply with Article 5b by [PO please insert the date = 12 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation]. Such PSPs shall offer the service of sending instant credit transfers in euro in accordance with Article 5a and comply with Article 5c by [PO please insert the date = 24 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].
86g			2. PSPs located in a Member State whose currency is not the euro shall offer the service of receiving instant credit transfers in euro in accordance with Article 5a and comply with Article 5b by [PO please insert the date = 36 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation]. Such PSPs shall offer the service of sending instant credit transfers in euro in accordance with Article 5a and comply with Article 5c by [PO please insert the date = 42 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].
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			If the euro is introduced as the currency of any such Member State before [PO please insert the date = 36 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation], the PSPs in that Member State shall comply with Articles 5a to 5c within one year of the date on which the Member State concerned joined the euro area, but not earlier than the respective dates specified for PSPs in the Member States whose currency is the euro [PO please insert the date of entry into force of this Regulation] and not later than the respective dates specified for PSPs in Member States whose currency is not the euro.
86i			3. PSPs shall comply with Article 5d by [PO please insert the date = 12 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].
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86k			* Directive (EU) 2015/2366 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 on payment services in the internal market, amending Directives 2002/65/EC, 2009/110/EC and 2013/36/EU and Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010, and

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			repealing Directive 2007/64/EC (OJ L 337, 23.12.2015, p. 35).';
87	(3) in Article 11, the following paragraphs 1a and 1b are inserted:	(3) in Article 11, the following paragraphs <i>la and lb</i> are inserted:	(3) in Article 11, the following paragraphs— <i>Ia</i> and <i>1b</i> —are inserted:
88	By way of derogation from paragraph 1, Member States shall by [PO please insert the date = 4 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation] lay down rules on the penalties applicable to infringements of Articles 5a to 5d and shall take all measures necessary to ensure that they are implemented. Such penalties shall be effective, proportionate and dissuasive.	Ia. By way of derogation from paragraph 1, Member States shall by [PO please insert the date = 4 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation] lay down rules on the penalties applicable to infringements of Articles 5a to 5d and shall take all measures necessary to ensure that they are implemented. Such penalties shall be effective, proportionate and dissuasive.	Ia. By way of derogation from paragraph 1, Member States shall by [PO please insert the date = 4_12 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation] lay down rules on the penalties applicable to infringements of Articles 5a to 5d and shall take all measures necessary to ensure that they are implemented. Such penalties shall be effective, proportionate and dissuasive.
89	Member States shall notify the Commission of those rules and measures by [PO please insert the = 8 months after the date of entry into force] and shall notify it without delay of any subsequent amendment affecting them.	Member States shall notify the Commission of those rules and measures by [PO please insert the = 8 months after the date of entry into force] and shall notify it without delay of any subsequent amendment affecting them.	Member States shall notify the Commission of those rules and measures by [PO please insert the = 8 16 months after the date of entry into force] and shall notify it without delay of any subsequent amendment affecting them.
90	With respect to penalties applicable to infringements of Article 5d, Member States shall ensure that such penalties include:	<u>Ib.</u> With respect to penalties applicable to infringements of Article <u>5b and</u> 5d, Member States shall ensure that such penalties include:	1b. With respect to penalties applicable to infringements of Article 5d, Member States shall ensure that such penalties include:

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91	(a) in the case of a legal person, administrative fines of up to not less than 10 % of the total annual net turnover of that legal person in the preceding business year;	(a) in the case of a legal person, administrative <i>fines</i> of up to fine with a ceiling of not less than 10 % of the total annual net turnover of that legal person in the preceding business year;	(a) in the case of a legal person, maximum administrative fines of up to not less than at least 10 % of the total annual net turnover of that legal person in the preceding business year;
92	(b) in the case of a natural person, administrative fines of up to not less than EUR 5 000 000, or in the Member States whose currency is not the euro, the corresponding value in the national currency on[PO please insert the date of entry into force of this Regulation].	(b) in the case of a natural person, administrative fines of up to fine with a ceiling of not less than EUR 5 000 000, or in the Member States whose currency is not the euro, the corresponding value in the national currency on[PO please insert the date of entry into force of this Regulation].	(b) in the case of a natural person, maximum administrative fines of up to not less than at least EUR 5 000 000, or in the Member States whose currency is not the euro, the corresponding value in the national currency on [PO please insert the date of entry into force of this Regulation].
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93	For the purposes of point (a), where the legal person is a subsidiary of a parent undertaking as defined in Article 2, point (9), of Directive 2013/34/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council*2 or any undertaking which effectively exercises a dominant influence over that legal person, the relevant turnover shall be the turnover resulting from the consolidated accounts of the ultimate parent undertaking in the preceding business year.	For the purposes of point (a), where the legal person is a subsidiary of a parent undertaking as defined in Article 2, point (9), of Directive 2013/34/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council 2 or any undertaking which effectively exercises a dominant influence over that legal person, the relevant turnover shall be the turnover resulting from the consolidated accounts of the ultimate parent undertaking in the preceding business year.	For the purposes of point (a) of paragraph 1b of this Article, where the legal person is a subsidiary of a parent undertaking, as defined in point (9) of Article 2, point (9), of Directive 2013/34/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council or any undertaking which effectively exercises a dominant influence over that legal person, the relevant turnover shall be the turnover resulting from the consolidated accounts of the ultimate parent undertaking in

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			the preceding business year.
93a		1c. The penalties referred to in paragraph 1a of this Article shall not be applied in respect of infringements of Article 5a(2), point (c), where the payment accounts maintained by PSPs are not reachable for instant credit transfers due to planned maintenance where periods of non-availability are both foreseeable and short, to a planned downtime of all SEPA instant credit transfer (SCT Inst) scheme-based payment services or to a suspension of such services owing to a duly justified suspicion of fraud.	
93b			1c. Member States may decide not to lay down rules for administrative penalties as referred to in paragraph 1b for infringements which are subject to criminal penalties in their national law. In that case, Member States shall communicate to the Commission the relevant criminal law provisions.
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95	*2 Directive 2013/34/EU of the European	* Directive 2013/34/EU of the European	* Directive 2013/34/EU of the

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	Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on the annual financial statements, consolidated financial statements and related reports of certain types of undertakings, amending Directive 2006/43/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Council Directives 78/660/EEC and 83/349/EEC (OJ L 182, 29.6.2013, p. 19).	Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on the annual financial statements, consolidated financial statements and related reports of certain types of undertakings, amending Directive 2006/43/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Council Directives 78/660/EEC and 83/349/EEC (OJ L 182, 29.6.2013, p. 19).	European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on the annual financial statements, consolidated financial statements and related reports of certain types of undertakings, amending Directive 2006/43/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Council Directives 78/660/EEC and 83/349/EEC (OJ L 182, 29.6.2013, p. 19);
95a			(4) the following Article is inserted:
95b			Article 15a
95c			<u>Review</u>
95d			1. By [PO please insert the date = 54 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation] the Commission shall present a report to the European Parliament and the Council accompanied, if appropriate, by a proposal. The report shall contain an evaluation of:
95e			a) the development of charges for payment

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			accounts as well as for national and cross- border credit transfers and instant credit transfers in national currencies of Member States and in euro since 26 October 2022;
95f			b) the effectiveness of the provisions in Article 5d to prevent unnecessary hindering of instant credit transfers; and
95g			c) the feasibility of sending instant credit transfers from accounts denominated in a currency other than euro, regardless of the day of the week or hour.
95h			2. PSPs shall report to their competent authorities on the level of charges for credit transfers, instant credit transfers and payment accounts. PSPs shall submit such reports every 12 months. The first report shall be submitted on [PO please insert the date = 12 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation] and shall include information on the level of charges during the period from 26 October 2022.
95i			3. By [PO please insert the date = 42]

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			months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation] competent authorities designated under Article 10 (1) shall provide the Commission with information reported to them by PSPs under paragraph 2 of this Article.
95j			4. The EBA shall develop draft implementing technical standards to specify uniform reporting templates, instructions and methodology on how to use the templates for the reporting referred to in paragraph 2.
95k			The EBA shall submit those implementing technical standards to the Commission by [PO please insert the date = 2 months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation].
951			Power is conferred on the Commission to adopt the implementing technical standards referred to in the first subparagraph of this paragraph in accordance with Article 15 of Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010.
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	Article 2 Amendment to Regulation (EU) 2021/1230	Article 2 Amendment to Regulation (EU) 2021/1230	Article 2 Amendment to Regulation (EU) 2021/1230
97	In Article 3 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1230, the following paragraph 5 is added:	In Article 3 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1230, the following paragraph 5 is added:	In Article 3 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1230, the following paragraph 5 is added:
98	Paragraph 1 of this Article shall not apply where Article 5b(1) of Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 would require a payment service provider located in a Member State whose currency is not the euro, with respect to an instant credit transfer, to levy a charge which would be lower than the charge which would be levied, with respect to the same transfer, if paragraph 1 of this Article were to be applied.	Paragraph 1 of this Article shall not apply where Article 5b(1) of Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 would require a payment service provider located in a Member State whose currency is not the euro, with respect to an instant credit transfer, to levy a charge which would be lower than the charge which would be levied, with respect to the same transfer, if paragraph 1 of this Article were to be applied.	5. Paragraph 1 of this Article shall not apply where Article 5b(1) of Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council* would require a payment service provider located in a Member State whose eurrency is not that does not have the euro as its currency, with respect to an instant credit transfer, to levy a charge which would be lower than the charge which would be levied, with respect to the same instant credit transfer, if paragraph 1 of this Article were to be applied.
99	For the purposes of the first subparagraph, an instant credit transfer means an instant credit transfer as defined in Article 2, point (1a) of Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 that is crossborder and in euro.	For the purposes of the first subparagraph, an instant credit transfer means an instant credit transfer as defined in Article 2, point (1a) of Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 that is cross-border and in euro.	For the purposes of the first subparagraph of this paragraph, an instant credit transfer means an instant credit transfer, as defined in Article 2, point (1a) of Regulation (EU) No 260/2012, that is cross-border and in euro.

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99Ь			* Regulation (EU) No 260/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 March 2012 establishing technical and business requirements for credit transfers and direct debits in euro and amending Regulation (EC) No 924/2009 (OJ L 94, 30.3.2012, p. 22).'.
99c		Article 2a Amendment to Directive 98/26/EC	
99d		In Directive 98/26/EC, Article 2, point (b), is replaced by the following:	
99e		(b) 'institution' shall mean any of the following entities where it participates in a system and is responsible for discharging the financial obligations arising from transfer orders within that system:	
99f		(i) a credit institution as defined in Article 4(1) of	

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		Directive 2006/48/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, including the institutions listed in Article 2 of that Directive;	
99g		(ii) a payment institution as defined in Article 4, point (4), of Directive (EU) 2015/2366 of the European Parliament and of the Council*,	
99h		(iii) an electronic money institution as defined in Article 2, point (1), of Directive 2009/110/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council**;	
99i		(iv) an investment firm as defined in Article 4(1), point (1), of Directive 2014/65/EU***, excluding the institutions set out in Article 2(1) thereof;	
99j		(v) public authorities and publicly guaranteed undertakings; or	
99k		(vi) any undertaking whose head office is outside the Union and whose functions correspond to those of the institutions referred to in points (ii), (iii) and (iv) of this point.	

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991		If a system is supervised in accordance with national law and only executes transfer orders as defined in point (i), second indent, as well as payments resulting from such orders, a Member State may decide that undertakings which participate in such a system and which have responsibility for discharging the financial obligations arising from transfer orders within that system can be considered institutions, provided that at least three participants in that system fall within the categories listed in the first subparagraph of this point and that such a decision is warranted on grounds of systemic risk;	
99m			
99n		* Directive (EU) 2015/2366 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2015 on payment services in the internal market, amending Directives 2002/65/EC, 2009/110/EC and 2013/36/EU and Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010, and repealing Directive 2007/64/EC (OJ L 337, 23.12.2015, p. 35).	
990		** Directive 2009/110/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 September 2009 on the taking up, pursuit and prudential	

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		supervision of the business of electronic money institutions amending Directives 2005/60/EC and 2006/48/EC and repealing Directive 2000/46/EC (OJ L 267 10.10.2009, p. 7).	
99p		*** Directive 2014/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on markets in financial instruments and amending Directive 2002/92/EC and Directive 2011/61/EU (OJ L 173 12.6.2014, p. 349).".	
99q		Article 2b Amendment to Directive 2014/92/EU	
99r		In Directive 2014/92/EU, Article 2, point (20), is replaced by the following:	
99s		(20) 'credit transfer' means a national or cross-border payment service for crediting a payee's payment account with a payment transaction or a series of payment transactions from a payer's payment account by the payment service provider which holds the payer's payment account, based on an instruction given by the payer, and includes an instant credit transfer as defined in Article 2, point (1a), of Regulation (EU) No 260/2012.'	

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99t		Article 2c Monitoring	
99u		The Commission shall monitor the development by the industry of a Union-wide set of rules and standards for the implementation of instant payments in euro. By [12 months after the entry into force of this amending Regulation], the Commission shall submit to the European Parliament and the Council a report on the development of such rules and standards. Where necessary, including in the case of slow progress, the Commission shall require EBA to develop draft regulatory technical standards for the specification of a Union-wide set of rules and standards for the implementation of instant payments in euro.	
99v		Article 2d Transposition	
99w		Member States shall adopt, publish and apply, by [18 months after the date of entry into force of this amending Regulation as regards instant credit transfers in euro], the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with	

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		Article 2a. They shall immediately communicate the text of those measures to inform the Commission thereof.	
99x		When Member States adopt those measures, they shall contain a reference to this Regulation or shall be accompanied by such reference on the occasion of their official publication. The methods of making such reference shall be laid down by Member States.	
100	Article 3 Entry into force	Article 3 Entry into force	Article 3 Entry into force
101	This Regulation shall enter into force the twentieth day following that of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.	This Regulation shall enter into force the twentieth day following that of its publication in the <u>Official</u> <u>Journal of the European Union</u> <u>Official Journal of the European Union</u> .	This Regulation shall enter into force the twentieth day following that of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union Official Journal of the European Union.
102	This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.	This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.	This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.
103	Done at Brussels,	Done at Brussels,	Done at Brussels,

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105	The President	The President	The President
106	For the Council	For the Council	For the Council
107	The President	The President	The President