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PRESS NOTICE

SYNDICATED RE-OPENING OF 01/8 INDEX-LINKED TREASURY GILT 2068 IN THE WEEK COMMENCING 21 SEPTEMBER 2015: APPOINTMENT OF SYNDICATE

EXTENSION OF THE WINDOW FOR THE SCHEDULING OF THE NOVEMBER 2015 SYNDICATED OFFERING

The United Kingdom Debt Management Office ("the DMO") announces the appointment of a syndicate to sell by subscription the forthcoming re-opening of 01/8% Index-linked Treasury Gilt 2068. Subject to market conditions, the DMO expects that this syndicated offer will take place in the week commencing 21 September 2015.

<u>Joint Bookrunners</u>: Barclays, Deutsche Bank, Goldman Sachs International and Nomura.

<u>Co-Lead Managers</u>: All other panel member Index-linked Gilt-edged Market Makers (IL GEMMs) have been invited to be Co-Lead Managers.

The DMO has appointed a panel comprising exclusively wholesale GEMM firms from which it has chosen syndicate members for the conduct of the programme of syndicated offerings in 2015-16, which is planned to raise a minimum of £24.5 billion (cash).

Further information about the conduct of the September offering will be announced in due course.

Following the announcement by the Chancellor of the Exchequer that the Autumn Statement will be held on 25 November 2015, the DMO is today announcing an extension to the scheduling window for the planned November syndicated offering of an index-linked gilt, to now also include the first week of December, subject to market conditions.

NOTES TO EDITORS

The DMO's financing remit for 2015-16, published alongside the Budget on 18 March 2015, included the provision for a programme of syndicated offerings to be held in 2015-16 aiming to raise a minimum of £24.2 billion (split £14.9 billion index-linked gilts and £9.3 billion long conventional gilts). Six transactions are currently assumed (four of index-linked gilts and two of long conventional gilts).

The DMO also announced on 18 March 2015 that, as previously, it envisaged using the syndication programme in 2015-16 to launch new gilts and/or for re-openings of high duration gilts.

The size of the syndication programme can be increased in-year via accessing an initially unallocated portion of supplementary issuance, which can be allocated either to syndications or mini-tenders - subject to demand.

The initial unallocated portion of supplementary issuance was £4.0 billion (cash). £0.3 billion of this was allocated to the syndicated offer of 01/2% Index-linked Treasury Gilt 2046 on 23 June 2015, thereby increasing the size of the index-linked syndication programme to £15.2 billion and the overall size of the syndication programme to £24.5 billion 1. These plans remain unchanged after the Summer Budget on 8 July 2015.

On 28 August 2015 the DMO announced plans for syndicated offerings in September, October and November 2015. An update on the timing of the November syndicated offering was announced today.

Syndication date	Gilt	Further details
		announced
Second half of September [†]	01/2% Index-linked Treasury Gilt	Around two weeks in
	2068	advance
Second half of October [†]	A long conventional gilt with a	Around two weeks in
	maturity of 30 years or longer	advance
Second half of November	An index-linked gilt	Around two weeks in
or first week of December [†]	_	advance

[†] Subject to market conditions.

Two syndicated offerings have been held to-date in 2015-16. The results are summarised in the table below.

Date	Gilt	Size (£mn nom)	Issue Price (£)	Issue Yield (%)	Proceeds (£mn cash)
23 Jun 15	01/₃% Index-linked Treasury Gilt 2046	3,250	123.840	-0.582	4,018
21 Jul 15	3½% Treasury Gilt 2068	4,000	121.310	2.736	4,844

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¹ A further £1 billion of the £4 billion unallocated portion of the supplementary programme was allocated to a gilt mini-tender of 4½% 2055 held on 4 June 2015, leaving £2.7 billion to be allocated in the remainder of 2015-16.