

# Press Release

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## KOF Monetary Policy Communicator for the Euro Area

**The KOF MPC figure for 9 June 2022 is 0.20. At today's meeting, the ECB's Governing Council communicated that it will make sure that inflation returns to the ECB's two per cent target over the medium term.**

The Governing Council decided to end net asset purchases under the asset purchase programme (APP) as of 1 July 2022. The ECB will raise the key ECB interest rates by 25 basis points at the next policy meeting and again in September, when a larger increment might be appropriate. After that, the Governing Council anticipates further gradual but sustained increases in interest rates.

According to Eurostat, Euro area annual HICP inflation was 8.1% in May. This increase was primarily caused by surging energy and food prices. However, inflation pressures have broadened and intensified, with prices for many goods and services increasing strongly. This development is reflected in an upward revision of the ECB's inflation projections: Eurosystem staff projections foresee inflation at 6.8% in 2022, 3.5% in 2023 and 2.1% in 2024 (March projections: 5.1% in 2022, 2.1% in 2023 and 1.9% in 2024). Headline inflation at the end of the projection horizon is projected to be still slightly above the ECB's target.

### Recent Developments

Date	KOF MPC	RDF*
28 Oct 2021	0.19	-0.50
16 Dec 2021	-0.03	-0.50
03 Feb 2022	0.15	-0.50
10 Mar 2022	0.26	-0.50
14 Apr 2022	0.51	-0.50
09 Jun 2022	0.20	-0.50

\*ECB Rate on the Deposit Facility

KOF MPC and ECB Main Refinancing Rate

