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Reform of the Bank of Finland's data collection platform in 2024

Dear reporting contact person,

As notified before, the Bank of Finland will migrate its statistical data collections to the new eRegulatory data collection platform gradually during 2024. The data collections will be moved to the new platform in accordance with the schedule below.

Reporting period	Data collection
2024H1	MAPE (H)
2024M8	SAVE
2024M9, 2024Q3	KOTI, LUOTI (M, Q), MAPE (Q), RATI (M, Q), PEF
2024M12, 2024Q4, 2024A	MAPE (A), MURA (Q, A), SIRA, TIHA

Reporters will be provided an opportunity to participate in testing the system before the first actual reporting round. We will confirm the exact testing and training schedule for each data collection closer to the date.

The current DCS2 service will remain available to reporters until the end of 2024. We recommend that revision reports for pre-migration periods are sent in 2024 using the current DCS2 system. New reports as well as post-migration revisions are sent using the eRegulatory system. In case of revisions made later than 2024 on pre-migration periods, the reporter needs to contact the Bank of Finland's reporting contact person.

The structure of the report files will change from the CSV format used in DCS2 to XML. The report must be in the XML format before it is submitted to the new system. We will provide a file conversion tool to facilitate the migration at the early stages. However, it is important to note that reporting must be made in the XML format at the latest in connection with the next update of the record structure. We encourage reporters to start planning already how to generate XML reports also from their own systems.

We would also like to remind you again that logging in the new data collection system requires authentication with a Suomi.fi mandate. If you are not yet using Suomi.fi e-authentication, we recommend that you start using it already so that any challenges associated with it can be resolved well in advance before migrating to the new reporting service (see instructions for granting reporting mandates here). To log in the reporting system, the managing director or any other person with the right of signature must also add the requisite mandates to themselves. Note that in the new data collection system, Suomi.fi authentication will also be required from users without a Finnish personal identity code. More information on the activation of the Finnish Authenticator service.

As the project proceeds, we will carry out short surveys on a regular basis to collect relevant information regarding the project. The responses will be used to promote smooth project work. Your feedback is important for us – please take a moment to respond to the following survey: https://www.lyyti.fi/questions/59a0f968d3