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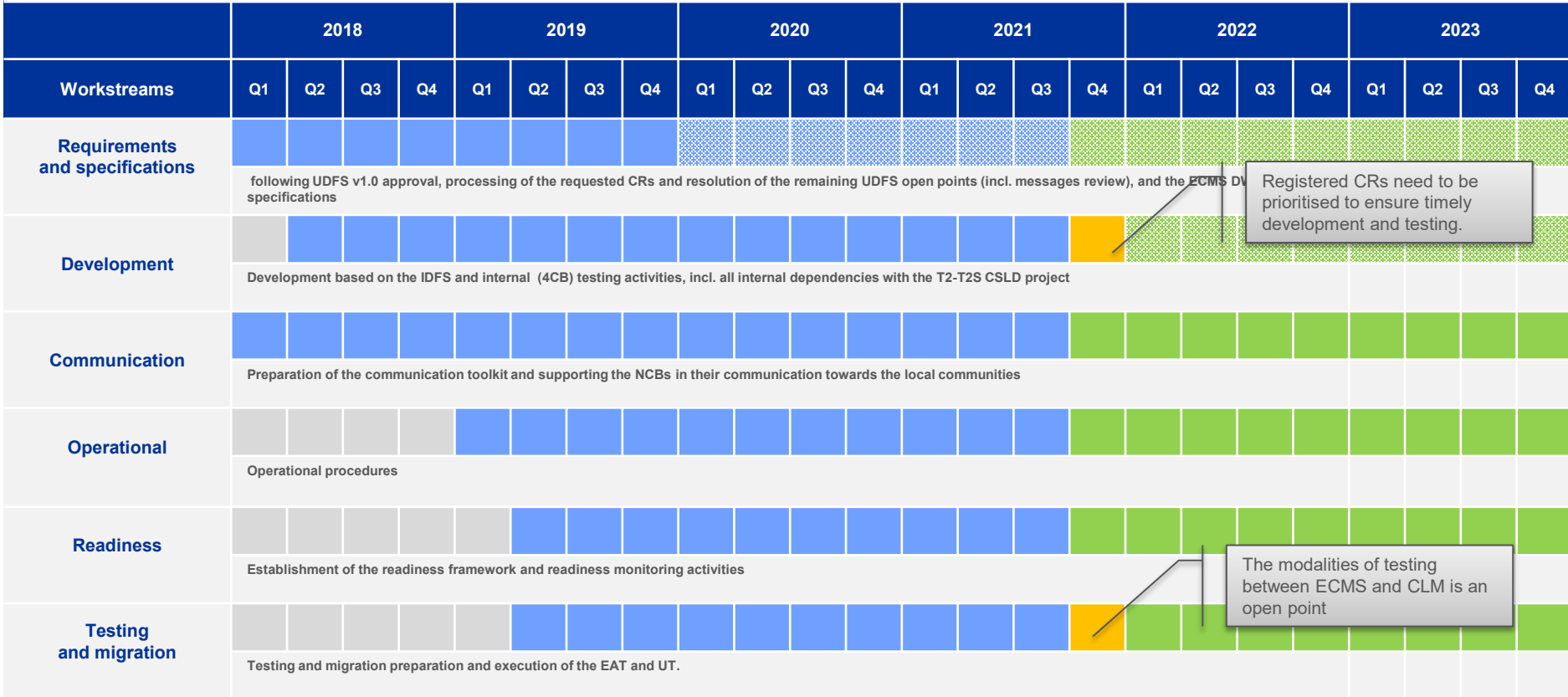
Status Update on the ECMS Project

AMI-SeCo meeting
7-8 December 2021

DG-MIP Market Infrastructure Development

ECMS project

High-level timeline status (cut-off date: 29/10/2021)



Registered CRs need to be prioritised to ensure timely development and testing.

The modalities of testing between ECMS and CLM is an open point

ECMS: project status & highlights

The ECMS project deliverables are being prepared and activities are progressing according to project plan in all workstreams.

Project planning

- The Eurosystem Acceptance Testing execution (EAT Phase 1) started on 4 October 2021, is progressing currently with reference data testing and preparing the first integrated testing campaign with T2S.
- Preparation has started for the **6th ECMS readiness report** with cut-off 1 January 2022 which will focus on checking the status of the following milestones
 - ECMS actors have completed drafting of internal application documentation (IAD4)
 - ECMS actors have started the software development for the required adaptation changes (IAD5)
- Details on the planning for User Testing and Migration have been further discussed and elaborated, on the basis of input from CSDs/TPAs and the Trilateral Group

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Specifications incl. messages

- The message usage guidelines and related message versions to be implemented with the ECMS go-live have been published in **August 2021 on the [ECB website](#)**
- Following best practice for TARGET Services projects, **a freeze period** (November 2021 – November 2023) **for message changes**, as well as for the implementation of other harmonisation requests was implemented. During this period ECMS message usage guidelines will only be updated in exceptional circumstances, such as to correct mistakes or due to urgent regulatory changes.
- ECMS design/specification is considered final based on October iteration of the SCORE CA Rulebook. December AMI-SeCo outcome is to be assessed.
- There is a cut-off in December 2021 / January 2022 for CR approvals for inclusion in go-live scope, in order to stabilise the ECMS software for User Testing.

Communication with the CSDs & TPAs

- Regular **workshops with CSDs and TPAs** took place on 24 June, 14 October and on 2 December. Action items from the joint ECMS-UTMSG and CSDs/TPAs workshop on 31 May 2021 were closed or further progressed, discussions about testing planning continued and aspects related to ECMS migration process and timeline were outlined → next workshop is planned on 21 Feb 2022.

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Communication with the counterparties and CSDs & TPAs

- On top of the **info pack** available on ECB website, during Q3-Q4/2021, several **publications** have been made available on request:
 - ECMS info pack – reports (June 30, 2021)
 - Explainer on authorisation and authentication (July 7, 2021)
 - ECMS business rules (July 23, 2021)
 - Explainer on status codes (July 23, 2021)
 - Catalogue of messages and credit claim files (August 18, 2021)
 - Explainer on business configurations (October 12, 2021)



[ECMS publications](#)