

GUIDELINES FOR THE USE OF SECURE E-MAIL

1. Definition and Conditions

Participants can use e-mail to send information to the NBB-SSS. In that case the e-mail must be secured. The secure e-mail:

- must be signed in such a way that integrity and authenticity can be verified;
- must not be encrypted;
- must be certified with at least a category 2 certificate. The ESCB-PKI certificates on the NBB-SSS RAMSES tokens are also valid for e-signing your e-mails. The full list is available on the website of the European Commission, EU Trusted Lists of Certification Service Providers: <https://esignature.ec.europa.eu/efda/tl-browser/#/screen/home>.

2. First Use

New users of secure e-mail can send a test e-mail by contacting the NBB-SSS via sss@nbb.be.

3. Alternative

If for some reason the participant is not able to send secure e-mail, he can request the NBB-SSS for permission to send the request by MT599 and announce the MT599 by common e-mail.

4. Liability

Without prejudice to the provisions of Article 7 of the Terms and Conditions governing the participation in the NBB-SSS, the Bank cannot be held liable for any loss incurred by Participants as a result of fraudulent or unlawful use of the e-mails. Participants must take all necessary measures to guard against such incidents.