

**Introducing... “Accelerated Settlements”**

As part of IATA’s continual work to improve the ICCS service offering and bring additional value to our Members, we are pleased to announce Accelerated Settlements via ICCS.

**What are Accelerated Settlements?**

Based on the existing ICCS calendar format, an earlier payment date to airlines has been introduced for selected BSP/CASS countries settling in EUR or USD and provided that: (1) the Member meets the established participation requirements and (2) where there is no foreign exchange conversion required:

- The new ICCS payment date to airlines will take place on the “Contract Day” of the current ICCS Clearance Cycle; For example:

<b>CLEARANCE</b>	<b>8409</b>
<b>ORDER DAY</b>	<b>24/09</b>
<b>CONTRACT DAY + New Clearance Day for selected EUR BSPs/CASSes</b>	<b>25/09</b>
<b>CLOSING DAY</b>	<b>28/09</b>
<b>CLEARANCE DAY</b>	<b>29/09</b>

**Clearance 8409** would have 2 payment dates to airlines:

1. ICCS Clearance Day for accelerated euro settlements... **25 Sept 2009**
2. ICCS Clearance Day for all other settlements.....**29 Sept 2009**

**Note:** There will be no Order Day or Contract Day for the “Accelerated Euro Settlements”

**Benefits:**

- In the above example a 2-business day acceleration will be realised by Members versus the regular ICCS clearance cycle.
- The acceleration can be as much as 4-days in cases where there is a week-end in between the ICCS Contract Day and the Clearance Day, as in the case above.

**Participation requirements:**

- To qualify for Accelerated Settlements the Member must:
  - Authorise ICCS to apply Standard Default Instructions only
  - Acknowledge that no ad hoc instructions may be applied during the current ICCS Clearance Cycle, **as there is no Order Day** for this settlement option
  - Acknowledge that a change to their Standard Default Instructions can only be made by providing a minimum 2-week notice to ICCS.
  - Acknowledge that this option applies only to BSP and CASS operations predefined by IATA.
  - Acknowledge that this settlement option is valid only for incoming funds being delivered by ICCS with no foreign exchange.

### How will it work?

- Under the Accelerated Settlement option there is no ICCS “Order Day” or “Contract Day” since no ad hoc instructions or currency conversions will be available to Members choosing this option. This will result in ICCS settling funds to Members earlier.

### How does this fit into the current ICCS Clearance Cycle?

- The current ICCS Operations Calendar will remain for both types of settlements, the only difference being that there will be the possibility for 2 payment dates as outlined in the example on page #1.
- As Members using this option will not be able to change their standard currency instruction (ad hoc instructions), there will be no Order Day for Accelerated Settlements. Members’ instructions may only be changed by giving 2-weeks notice and must be confirmed in writing on the appropriate ICCS form.

### How will I be notified of transfers received via the Accelerated Settlement option?

- A different CitiDirect platform is used to operate the ICCS Accelerated Settlements; therefore you will receive another SAFEWORD card and PIN, specifically for this platform. You will receive an email notification when your reports are ready for downloading as with the current ICCS process.

### Do I have to use the Accelerated Settlement option?

- **No.** This settlement option is completely voluntary. It is an addition to the existing service provided by ICCS to give our Members increased flexibility and offer quicker settlements where no foreign exchange is concerned.

### Is this settlement option for me? Additional info....

- If you wish to maintain the flexibility of providing ad hoc instructions on ICCS Order Days, the Accelerated Settlement option may not be used.
- Credit Interest continues to be paid on funds in transit as per normal ICCS policy.
- There is no change in the ICCS Pricing Policy.
- It should also be noted that 2 different email notifications will be received by the Member. One for each of the different settlement options.
- Although quicker delivery of funds will be realised it should be noted that using the Accelerated Settlement option may lead to additional bank transfers being received by the Member from ICCS versus the present scenario where all funds are received on the same clearance day.

#### **For example: For the same ICCS Clearance Cycle:**

1. One transfer can be received on the Accelerated Clearance Day.
2. Another transfer can be received on the regular ICCS Clearance Day. (e.g. for those countries that are not covered by this settlement option, or, for those countries where the Member has decided not use this settlement option)

## Accelerated Settlements



### Selected BSP and CASS sales covered:

#### EURO

- **BSP's Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Romania, Serbia & Montenegro, Slovenia and Spain**
- **CASSes Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain and Turkey.**

#### USD

- **BSP's Tanzania and Uganda**

**How do I make the switch to the Accelerated Settlement option for an existing BSP/CASS in which I am already using ICCS?**

- **A simple form must be completed – Just contact ICCS!**

#### **Next steps:**

Please confirm your interest to switch to the Accelerated Settlement option in any of the pre-selected BSP and CASSes outlined above.

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