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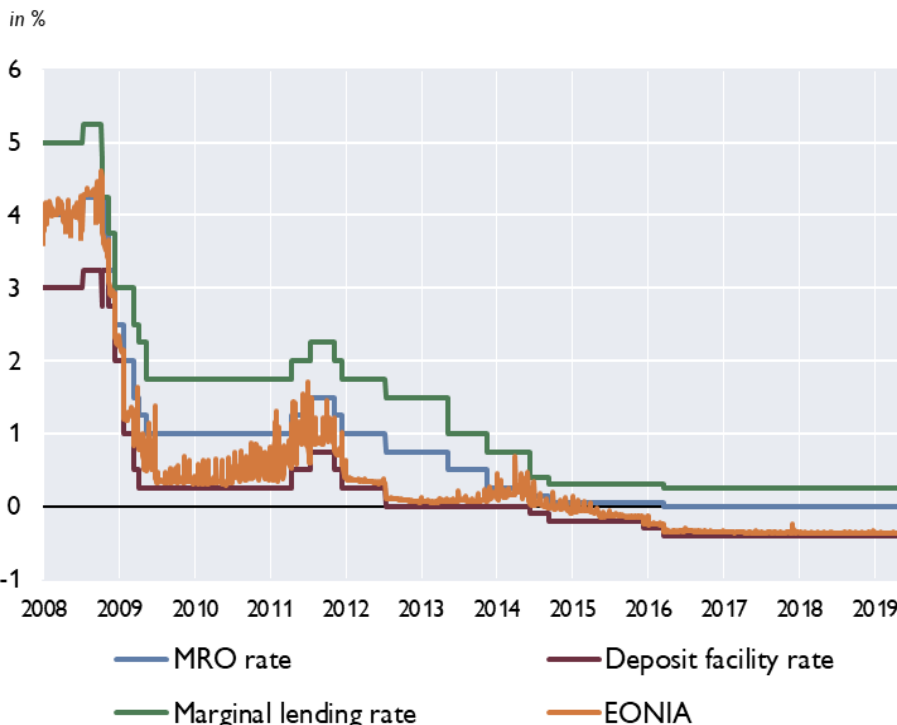
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Historical low monetary policy rates in the euro area...

ECB key interest rates and money market rates



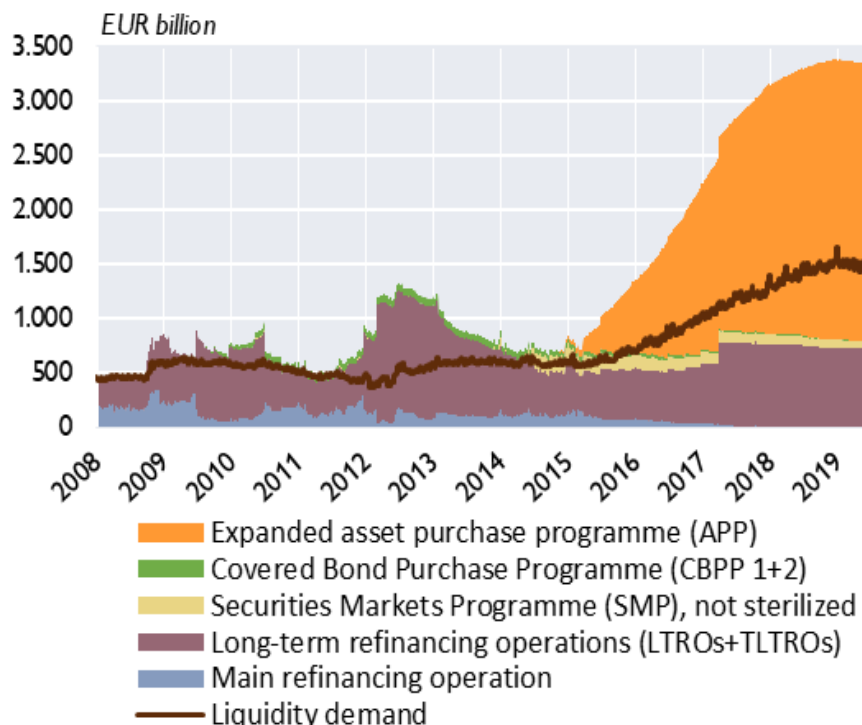
Source: ECB, Macrobond.

Between 2008 and 2016, the ECB Governing Council decreased the interest rate of the main refinancing operation (policy rate) by 425 bps. Additionally, the Eurosystem created EUR 1,900 billions of excess liquidity. This amount determines the position of money market rates within the ECB policy-rate corridor.

Consequently, money market rates have been lowered by another 40 bps. The EONIA, for example, is currently hovering around -0.37% .

... and large asset purchase programmes

Monetary policy operations of the Eurosystem



Source: ECB, own calculations.

Between 2015 and 2018, monetary policy has created EUR 3,400 billion in central bank liquidity:

- With nearly EUR 2,600 billion, the expanded asset purchase programme (APP) accounts for the lion's share of this volume.
- The targeted longer-term refinancing operations (TLTROs) are contributing EUR 720 billion.

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