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## **General Letter: 2069**

## **Process and Quality Team**

Subject: Takasbank 2025 Business Continuity Exercise That Will Be Performed on the 28th of June 2025

## Related Participants: Members, Stakeholders

Dear Business Continuity Manager,

Takasbank Annual Business Continuity Exercise which is performed in order to verify our recovery plans for maintaining continuity of our services, will be performed on Saturday, June 28, 2025, between 12:00 PM-04:00 PM simultaneously with the exercises of Borsa İstanbul and Merkezi Kayıt İstanbul.

As it was emphasized in the general letter that was shared for the 2024 Business Continuity Exercise (BCE), the risk that our members' offices and data centers in Istanbul may become unserviceable after a possible Istanbul earthquake is an important issue to consider. Besides, it is a requirement within the scope of information systems regulations regarding banking, capital markets, and payment and reconciliation systems that our members to establish secondary systems that will not be exposed to the same risks as their primary systems against natural and environmental disasters. In this context, it is important for our members to participate in the BCE on June 28, 2025, especially from secondary data centers located outside Istanbul, which are not expected to be affected by the earthquake.

Scenario will be made on the basis of the control and operation of the functions that are listed below:

- Borsa İstanbul Equity, Debt Securities, Futures and Options, Precious Metals Clearing, Settlement, Risk and Collateral Management, Asset Transfer, Corporate Actions,
- Electricity and Natural Gas Market, Natural Gas Futures Market, Renewable Energy Guarantees of Origin (REO-G) Market Settlement and Collateral Management,
- OTC Derivatives,
- Leveraged Trading Transactions (FX),
- Cheque Clearing Transactions,
- Takasbank Money Market (TMM),
- Security Lending Market (SLM),
- Türkiye Electronic Fund Trading Platform Operations,
- Pension Fund Trading Platform Operations,
- Fund Information Platform Service,
- Cash Credit Operations,
- Gold Transfer Operations,
- Collective Investment Institutions Operations (Portfolio Custody, Fund Valuation and Reporting, Fund Transactions Report)





- Private Pension Funds Unit Shares Management,
- Global Custody,
- Crowdfunding Escrow Agent Service,
- Public Collateral Management Service,
- Treasury Transactions,
- Interbank Card Center Collateral Custody,
- Foreign Cash Transfer Operations,
- TRL Payment and Transfer,
- Legal Entity Identifier (LEI) Service,
- International Securities Identification Numbers (ISIN) Service,
- Exchange Traded Fund Service
- Takasbank Web Site (www.takasbank.com.tr)

In this context, it is necessary to determine the member users who will participate in the exercise. When determining the users, the functions in the scenario should be taken into account and at least two users should be assigned for two-stage operations. In addition, at least one IT personnel and one business personnel (if there are doer/checker processes at least two) will be necessary for the exercise.

"Takasbank Business Continuity Exercise Guide" and test procedure documents containing the timing, scenario steps, connection information, pre-test access controls and other information regarding the exercise will be sent to the e-mail addresses of the member users who will participate in the test on Tuesday, June 17, 2025. On the other hand, since all our members will connect to Takasbank's secondary systems from their own secondary systems this year, it is important to check the definitions regarding network access permissions in advance. For this reason, we strongly remind you to access the IP and port information of Takasbank secondary systems in our general letter dated February 27, 2024 and numbered 1958, to make the necessary checks in advance and to execute the necessary access permission procedures, if any. Our environments for Telnet tests will be open during the week before the test.

Information about the users who will participate must be notified through the survey titled "2025 Takasbank ODT Participant Information", which will be sent by e-mail to our members' authorized users at Takasbank, by the end of working hours on Thursday, June 12, 2025 at the latest.

Respectfully submitted for your information and further action.

Sincerely yours,

TAKASBANK ISTANBUL SETTLEMENT AND CUSTODY BANK INC.

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