

To heads of organisations participating in  
electronic exchange with the Bank of  
Russia (mail list)

On switch to SWIFT MT 2023

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The Payment System Operation Centre of the Information Technology Department of the Bank of Russia hereby informs exchange participants about scheduled changes in the Financial Messaging System (hereinafter, the SPFS).

On 18 March 2024, the control (validation) rules of financial messages will be updated in the SPFS, with a switch from the SWIFT MT 2021 standard to the version of messages format meeting the SWIFT MT 2023 standard.

You will be able to test information exchange with the SPFS controlling financial messages in accordance with the SWIFT MT 2023 standard on the concurrent testing stand starting from 22 January 2024.

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