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The monetary policy press conference in September will be held in Malmö

As announced earlier, the Executive Board will hold its monetary policy meeting at the Riksbank's local office in Malmö on 22 September. The following day, 23 September at 11:00, a press conference on the monetary policy decision will be held at Media Evolution, Gamla Dockan 1 in Malmö. NB! New yenue.

The Executive Board's monetary policy decision will be published on 23 September, at 09:30. A press conference will be held at 11:00.

Press cards or the equivalent must be shown to attend the press conference. The press conference will be broadcast live at riksbank.se and on the Riksbank's YouTube channel, where it can also be watched afterwards. Journalists wishing to participate and ask questions via Teams need to register no later than 23 September at 9:00 with Susanne Meyer, susanne.meyer@riksbank.se, or 08-787 05 75.

The Riksbank announced in June that the monetary policy meeting in September would be held at the Riksbank's local office in Malmö. This is partly intended to raise the Riksbank's preparedness capacity by making a monetary policy decision with subsequent communication in a location other than Stockholm.

This year, the Riksbank opened a cash management office in Malmö. Like the offices in Broby, Jönköping, Umeå and Falun, the Malmö office will dispense cash to banks, bank-owned companies and cash-in-transit companies. However, the offices must also be able to function as a workplace in a crisis and war situation. To test this preparedness, the Riksbank has previously held monetary policy meetings and press conferences in Jönköping (2023) and Falun (2024).

History of the Riksbank in Malmö

Apart from a few short-lived offices established by the Riksbank in the 17th century, for example in Falun, Malmö and Gothenburg were the first cities where the Riksbank opened permanent local offices in 1824. The decision to open the offices had been taken by the Riksdag, the Swedish parliament, with the aim of being able to offer credit outside Stockholm.

The office in Malmö conducted cash and lending operations to the general public, purchases and sales of premium bonds and the national debt account, administration of different types of investment accounts for companies and, of course, cash handling, as well as stockkeeping, distribution and authenticity and quality controls.

The Riksbank has been located at several addresses in Malmö. In 1831, the company moved to Östergatan. The building contained servants' quarters for the director and the caretaker, and military personnel stood guard outside the office. At the end of the 19th century, a new building for the Riksbank was erected on the same street.

During the 20th century, the bank was located in Arkaden and finally in Diskontogången. The latter street got its name when the Riksbank built its office there. The discount rate was an interest rate previously set by the Riksbank.

During the 1980s, local branches started to be closed because it was felt that private operators could manage the distribution of cash in the community more efficiently. In May 1999, the Riksbank's office in Malmö was closed.

According to the new Sveriges Riksbank Act, which entered into force on 1 January 2023, the Riksbank must be operating at least five cash management offices in different parts of the country by 1 January 2026. In 2025, the Riksbank therefore opened a new local office in Malmö.