

**PRESS RELEASE**  
**ON**  
**CBRT INTEREST RATES**

1. The CBRT has decided to cut short-term interest rates applied at the CBRT Interbank Money Market and at the Istanbul Stock Exchange Repo-Reverse Repo Market starting from **9 June 2005** as follows:

**a) Overnight Interest Rates:** The borrowing interest rate is lowered to **14.25 percent** from 14.50 percent, and the lending interest rate to **18.25 percent** from 18.50 percent.

**b) Other Maturities:** The one-week borrowing interest rate is lowered to **14.25 percent** from 14.50 percent.

**c) Late Liquidity Window Interest Rates:** Within the framework of the Late Liquidity Window Facility, the CBRT overnight lending interest rate applicable between 16:00 – 16:30 hours at Interbank Money Market is lowered to **22.25 percent** from 22.50 percent. Borrowing interest rate of 5 percent remains the same.

**d)** The interest rates applicable to overnight and one-week maturity borrowing facilities provided for primary dealer banks via repo transactions within the framework of open market transactions are lowered to **16.25 percent** from 16.50 percent.

2. The report entitled “Inflation and Outlook” explaining the rationale of the above-mentioned decision will be published **within two working days**, by also taking into account of the evaluations made at the Monetary Policy Board meeting held on 8 June 2005.