## <u>May 2018 – Euro area international</u> <u>trade in goods surplus €16.5 bn – €0.2</u> <u>bn surplus for EU28</u>

The first estimate for **euro area** (EA19) exports of goods to the rest of the world in May 2018 was  $\in 189.6$  billion, a decrease of 0.8% compared with May 2017 ( $\in 191.2$  bn). Imports from the rest of the world stood at  $\in 173.1$  bn, a rise of 0.7% compared with May 2017 ( $\in 171.9$  bn). As a result, the **euro area** recorded a  $\in 16.5$  bn surplus in trade in goods with the rest of the world in May 2018, compared with + $\in 19.3$  bn in May 2017. **Intra-euro area** trade rose to  $\notin 162.3$  bn in May 2018, up by 0.5% compared with May 2017.

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